



**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE  
CITY OF HAYWARD**  
City Council Chambers  
777 B Street, Hayward, CA 94541  
Tuesday, June 8, 2004, 8:00 p.m.

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**MEETING**

The Meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor/RA Chair Cooper at 8:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council/RA Member Dowling.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: COUNCIL/RA MEMBERS Jimenez, Quirk,  
Halliday, Ward, Dowling, Henson  
MAYOR/CHAIR Cooper  
Absent: None

**PRESENTATION:** Pride in Hayward Award

The June Pride in Hayward Award Recipients were from both the Mt. Eden and Glen Eden Neighborhoods. They were Thang Dang and Khue Trinh; Stephen and Dorothy Santiago; Zhishun Liu and Yuten Cheng; Minoru and Gladys Uyehara; Chito and Mary Blanco and Aileen Abad. Mayor Cooper thanked each of these residents for the care they take of their homes and their pride in City of Hayward.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

A representative of the Animal Shelter volunteers, presented toy dog banks that will be placed in businesses to raise funds towards the Animal Shelter.

Jason Moreno commented that voters in the City of Antioch have placed a referendum on the ballot. He also reiterated comments related to the former Police Chief.

Harry Bruno commented on a work session held earlier, noting that approximately seventy off-duty Hayward police officers attended in regards to the Police Department.

Al Reynolds commented on the issue related to the Police Department.

Barbara Heringer-Swarr announced that Chabot College would conduct a film series in Building 900 relating to globalization.

Mayor Cooper read a statement related to the former Police Chief.

City Manager Armas informed the Council that an agreement has been reached related to the Blue Rock development and no action for Agenda Item 5 under Legislative Business needs to be considered.

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Mayor Cooper asked for a motion to rearrange the order of the agenda and ask that Steve Miller, representing Blue Rock, present what has been resolved.

It was moved by Council Member Jimenez, seconded by Council Member Henson, and unanimously carried to discuss Agenda Item 5 at this time.

## **LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

### 5. Resolution Reaffirming Support for the Blue Rock Country Club Project

Steve Miller, Hayward 1900 YCS Investment, commented that the legal challenges have all been resolved and the construction on the project has commenced. The State funds have been secured. He thanked Council Members for their support and he also thanked the residents of Hayward as well as well as the City Manager. He said they will be proud to be a part of the City of Hayward's future.

It was moved by Council Member Ward, seconded by Council Member Halliday, and unanimously carried to remove Agenda Item 5.

Mayor Cooper opened the public hearing at 8:31 p.m.

Jason Moreno stated that the 72 children who live in the development below this area go to private school. He maintained that the issue was not the school.

John Kyle maintained that the children would not go to private schools and discussed the present overcrowding in today's schools.

Mayor Cooper closed the public hearing at 8:37 p.m.

It was recommended by Council Member Halliday to commend everyone involved in reaching a compromise, particularly both HAPA and Hayward 1900.

## **CONSENT**

### 1. Approval of Minutes of the City Council Meeting of June 1, 2004

It was moved by Council Member Henson, seconded by Council Member Jimenez, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of June 1, 2004.

### 2. Water System Chloramine Conversion Project Phase II: Approval of Addendum No. 1 and Award of Construction Contract



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Staff report submitted by Deputy Director of Public Works/Utilities Ameri, dated June 8, 2004, was filed.

It was moved by Council Member Henson, seconded by Council Member Jimenez, and unanimously carried to adopt the following:

Resolution 04-080, "Resolution Approving Addendum No. 1 and Awarding Contract to the Second Lowest Bidder, Spiess Construction Company, Inc., for the Water System Chloramine Conversion Project Phase II, Project Nos. 7022 & 7158"

3. Adoption of Revised Authorizing Plan for Deferred Compensation

Staff report submitted by Acting Director of Finance and Internal Services and Chair of the Administrative Committee Lewis, dated June 8, 2004, was filed.

It was moved by Council Member Henson, seconded by Council Member Jimenez, and unanimously carried to adopt the following:

Resolution 04-081, "Resolution Approving Updates to the City's Deferred Compensation Plan Document"

**HEARINGS**

4. Operating Budget for the City of Hayward and Redevelopment Agency for Fiscal Year 2004-05, the 2004-05 Capital Improvement Program Budget, 2004-05 Master Fee Schedule, the 2004-05 Gann Appropriation Limit, and Community Promotion Program Funding

Staff report submitted by City Manager/Executive Director Armas, dated June 8, 2004, was filed.

City Manager/Executive Director Armas made the staff presentation noting the Council authorization to utilize contingencies as expenditures exceed revenues. The Council will act on the budget on June 22, 2004. He enumerated cost reductions, labor contract adjustments and various fee increases. He showed various charts depicting the ERAF impact to the city's revenue. He noted that the balances would be made with use of contingency funds. Personnel changes will include 83 General Fund positions recommended for no funding, and one RA position will be frozen for 2004-05. There will be some belt tightening that will result in some reduction and/or slow down of service delivery throughout the organization. Staff will continue devote efforts to align revenue and expenditures. He noted that

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the Capital Improvement Program budget continues to improve infrastructure. He pointed out the positions in the Police Department Youth and Family Services and one in the Gang Intervention Program will be restored for this budget year only. He warned of the upcoming challenge in the next year. Lastly, he thanked staff and all employees who assisted in aiding with the budget cuts and savings throughout the City of Hayward.

Council/RA Member Jimenez emphasized that the closure of Fire Station #9 is only for one year. He spoke in support of the DARE Program. He urged financing for this program as it is beneficial for families.

City Manager/Executive Director Armas reiterated that the budget cuts in the Police Department equal \$2 million, which is the same as the State takeaway of \$2 million.

In response to Council/RA Member Henson's question, staff stated that it takes \$175,000 annually for the DARE Program.

Council/RA Member Henson then asked about the crime analysis program.

City Manager/Executive Director Armas emphasized that this is an analytical tool, and would not affect the Crime Scene Investigation Unit of the Police Department.

Council/RA Member Henson asked about the staffing of task forces and stated that we cannot lose the emphasis on deterring children away from drugs and alcohol.

City Manager/Executive Director Armas stated that the budget makes certain that the narcotics effort remains intact, yet are slightly reduced. Choices were made to continue the school resource officers and to not continue the DARE Program.

Council Member Dowling suggested that the volunteer position at Animal Control be shown in the budget as frozen. He also asked that Chief Arfsten respond to the closure of Fire Station #9 and the impacts to the community.

Fire Chief Arfsten stated that the fire season has begun and his staff has deployed additional equipment into the hills. He stated that Station #9 is the second least of service calls and can be covered by other stations in the area. He did note that there would be a longer response time. Given the proposed resources, this is the best operational option for his department.

Council/RA Member Ward asked how Hayward stands in comparison to neighboring cities.

City Manager/Executive Director Armas commented on the dramatic changes within Alameda County. Fremont had to close a Fire Station within industrial area and is rotating closures of fire stations. Richmond has cut its payroll down to half, and may not be able to offer recreational or library services. He noted the commitment of previous Councils to maintain contingencies during better economic times.



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Council Member Ward stated that this Council had made valid decisions to increase the revenue stream for the City of Hayward. He thanked everyone, including the labor unions, public and staff, for their cooperation in this process.

Mayor Cooper opened the public hearing at 9:13 p.m.

Lisa Brunnor spoke about the DARE Program and commented that with marijuana shops, youth need this program. She suggested that she would rather not have her street swept so that the program could continue. Perhaps the City with the Chamber of Commerce could support this program. She noted the pride children take from DARE is priceless and urged its continuance.

John Kyle commented on the Airport budget.

Sheila Selover, President, Board of Directors of Woodland Estates Community Association, spoke against the closure of Fire Station #9 and noted that her neighborhood is now placed in a higher jeopardy with budget cuts throughout the area and submitted a statement.

Allan Selover also spoke in this regard.

Jerry Feiger commented on the spread of fires in the hills and canyons and expressed concern on the time lag that could compound the spreading of a fire. He suggested changing the allocation of resources to cover critical fire times.

Barbara Heringer-Swarr commented on past personnel increases, tax increment financing and State impacts. She also suggested that the California League of Cities encourage a split in the property tax roll.

Carol Morgan commented in favor of the community promotions funding and even though funding was cut for the Youth Orchestra Program, she appreciated what was funded. She also commented on the concern for the loss of music programs in the public schools.

Elsa Glines, speaking on behalf of the Hayward Public Library Commission, read a letter for the record enumerating a variety of invaluable resources that the libraries provides with a reduced staff in comparison to other area libraries. She then spoke in support of library funding.

Jason Moreno commented on budget percentages of the Fire Department in comparison to another city and police services related to gang suppression.

Mayor/Chair Cooper closed the public hearing at 9:37 p.m.

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Mayor/Chair Cooper commented that her ultimate decisions would be to benefit children who are our future and she is committed to make our young people feel healthy, safe and nurtured. Her priority is the intervention technique, which is provided by family counseling. She emphasized that everybody suffers a little bit. She would fully support the proposed budget.

Council/RA Member Dowling asked staff to respond to the Woodlawn Estates neighbors suggestion for opening Station #9 during the fire season.

City Manager/Executive Director Armas explained that because of budget cuts and personnel vacancies, the Fire Department would be short staffed and would need further extended overtime to further staff that area. It would compromise other community needs.

Council/RA Member Dowling appreciated staff efforts to restore police counselors. He stated that in the future funding might decrease for Community Promotions in order to restore cuts such as the DARE Program.

Council/RA Member Henson commented that this budget is rather painstaking to review. He reminded the State that cities generate the taxes. He emphasized that services would be provided with some reductions and lag time and hoped that in future years, many of these services can be restored. He noted that public safety is critical. He was satisfied with the final product and appreciated staff for this arduous effort.

Council/RA Member Quirk acknowledged those who spoke in favor of restoring funds for the various worthy services.

Council/RA Member Halliday asked for reassurance that other efforts will still be in place in the hills to protect their neighborhood.

City Manager/Executive Director Armas noted that Community Preservation does notify homeowners when there are problems related to dry brush. Also, engine companies traverse the district to insure fire safety

Council/RA Member Halliday stated that this was a difficult budget and she also thanked staff for their hard work on finalizing this budget. She added that fortunately there are no layoffs. She suggested the community get creative, pull together and try to work to replace the unfunded services. She expressed thanks to those who volunteer and who might help to mitigate some City services.

Council/RA Member Ward commented that this was his 20<sup>th</sup> budget review. He thanked and moved the proposal to direct staff to prepare the necessary resolutions to implement Council budget decisions for consideration and action on June 22, 2004.

Council/RA Member Jimenez asked that staff search hard for money to restore the \$175,000 DARE funding, noting that this was his 22<sup>nd</sup> year.



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Council/RA Member Dowling asked that a friendly amendment be included the restoration of the family counselors and the gang intervention officer in the Police Department budget and to list the volunteer position in the Animal Shelter budget as frozen. The friendly amendment was accepted.

It was moved by Council Member Ward, seconded by Council Member Halliday, and unanimously carried to direct staff to prepare the necessary resolutions to implement Council budget decisions for consideration and action on June 22, 2004 adding the YFSB counselors and include the volunteer position in the Animal Shelter as ‘frozen.’”

**LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

Refer to comments and action taken prior to Consent items. No further action was taken.

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

There were no Council Reports.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Cooper provided Council Member Jimenez opportunity to adjourn the meeting at 9:57 p.m., in memory of Anthony “Tony” Nunes, who was a past President of the Hayward Area Historical Society.

APPROVED:

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Roberta Cooper, Mayor, City of Hayward  
Chair of the Redevelopment Agency

ATTEST:

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Angelina Reyes, City Clerk, City of Hayward  
Secretary of the Redevelopment Agency

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