



CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES

"The Pass of the Oaks"

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, February 2, 2010 7:30 PM

**MEETING LOCATION: PASO ROBLES LIBRARY/CITY HALL
CONFERENCE CENTER, 1000 SPRING STREET**

**PLEASE SUBMIT ALL CORRESPONDENCE FOR CITY COUNCIL PRIOR
TO THE MEETING WITH A COPY TO THE CITY CLERK**

7:30 PM – CONVENE REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER – Downstairs Conference Center

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

ROLL CALL Councilmembers John Hamon Nick Gilman, Ed Steinbeck, Fred Strong, and Mayor Duane Picanco,

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Christy Withers – Historical Society event invitation, Feb 4th Carnegie Library.

Millie Drum – American Cancer Society, Relay for Life information.

Mike Patrick – Relay for Life kickoff will be hosted at Idler's.

Charlotte Vern- Homeless shelter advocate. Handed out newspapers to Council members noting volunteer workers at the shelter.

Mike Teixeira- Candidate for County Sheriff introduced himself.

PRESENTATIONS

- 1. Recognizing the 100th Anniversary of Boy Scouts of America.**
D. Picanco, Mayor
Scouts recited the scout oath and the scout law. Mayor read proclamation.
- 2. Proclaiming February 2010 "Grand Jury Awareness Month".**
D. Picanco, Mayor
Three members of the grand jury received the proclamation from the mayor.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE, NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION. However, if discussion is wanted or if a member of the public wishes to comment on an item, the item may be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately. Councilmembers may ask questions of clarification without removing an item from the Calendar. INDIVIDUAL ITEMS ARE APPROVED BY THE VOTE THAT APPROVES THE CONSENT CALENDAR, UNLESS AN ITEM IS PULLED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION.

3. Approve City Council minutes of January 19, 2010
D. Fansler, City Clerk
4. Approve Warrant Register: Nos. 88586-88735 (01/15/10) and 88736-88862 (01/22/10)
J. Throop, Administrative Services Director
5. Receive and file Advisory Body Committee minutes as follows:
Library Board of Trustees Minutes of December 10, 2009
Youth Commission Minutes of December 2, 2009
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes of November 10, 2009
Senior Citizen Advisory Committee Minutes of December 14, 2009
6. PULLED ITEM
7. Extend the recruitment period to fill vacant seats on the Airport Advisory Committee
M. Williamson, Assistant City Manager

Consent Calendar Items No's. 3-5, & 7 were approved on a single motion by Councilmember Strong, seconded by Councilmember Hamon.

Motion passed by the following unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Gilman, Hamon, Steinbeck, Strong and Picanco
NOES:
ABSTAIN:

DISCUSSION

8. **Water Rates – Low Income Relief Legislation**
J. App, City Manager

For the City Council to consider authorizing letters urging State legislation that would allow local rate payers to provide low income price supports for water and sewer service.

Mayor Picanco opened the public discussion. Speaking from the public was John Borst and Tom Rush. There were no further comments from the public, either written or oral, and the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Hamon, seconded by Councilmember Steinbeck, moved to authorize the Mayor to sign letters urging State legislation allowing local property owners and rate payers to offer utility rate low income discounts.

Motion passed by the following unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Gilman, Hamon, Steinbeck, Strong and Picanco
NOES:
ABSTAIN:

9. Proposed Uniform Water Rates

D. Monn, Public Works Director

For the City Council to select a water rate method and authorize customer notification and protest ballot process.

Mayor Picanco opened the public discussion. Speaking from the public was Kathy Barnett, Carl Hanson, Karen Reed, John Borst, Tom Rush, Larry Werner, and Eric Hillyard. There were no further comments from the public, either written or oral, and the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Hamon, seconded by Councilmember Strong, moved to adopt Resolution No. 10-013 selecting a uniform water rate structure; authorize initiation of the Proposition 218 procedures, and; instruct staff to send out public notices regarding the proposed water rate structure.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Hamon, Steinbeck, Strong, Gilman, and Picanco

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

Councilman Hamon made a motion to hear item 11 ahead of 10. Councilman Steinbeck seconded the motion and the Council approved 5-0 by voice vote.

10. Highway 101 Median Barrier Project Recommendations

R. Whisenand, Community Development Director

For City Council to consider and provide recommendations to Caltrans on a modified Highway 101 median barrier project.

Mayor Picanco opened the public discussion. Speaking from the public was a landscape architect (name unknown), Steve Price, Kathy Barnett, and Carl Richard-Hansen. There were no further comments from the public, either written or oral, and the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Gilman, seconded by Councilmember Hamon, moved to have Caltrans come back to Council with two optional wall treatment versions (abstract art and other local stone) and explore emergency access needs.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Hamon, Steinbeck, Strong, Gilman, and Picanco

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

11. Naming Request – Sherwood Park Baseball Field

A. Robb, Library and Recreation Services Director

For the City Council to consider naming a baseball field at Sherwood Park after Thomas R. Silva.

Mayor Picanco opened the public discussion. Speaking from the public was Gail Shipley, Donna Silva, Steve Serta, Joe Quiroz, Allan Reti, and Dick Batchacoloupo. There were no further comments from the public, either written or oral, and the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Gilman, seconded by Councilmember Strong, moved to adopt Resolution No. 10-014 renaming the baseball field at Sherwood Park (on Scott Street adjacent to the parking lot, commonly known as “Sherwood Field”) to “Bynum Field”, and renaming the field known as “Bynum Field” (east of the tennis courts) to “Thomas R. Silva Baseball Field”.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Steinbeck, Strong, Gilman, and Picanco

NOES: Hamon

ABSTAIN:

12. Census

A. Robb, Library and Recreation Services Director

For the City Council to consider a resolution affirming support of, and partnership with, 2010 Census.

Mayor Picanco opened the public discussion. There were no comments from the public, either written or oral, and the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Strong, seconded by Councilmember Gilman, moved to adopt Resolution No. 10-015 affirming support and partnership with the 2010 Census.

Motion passed by the following unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Gilman, Hamon, Steinbeck, Strong and Picanco

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

6. Adopt Resolution No. 10-012 approving the Purple Belt Program Memorandum of Understanding with San Luis Obispo County.

R. Whisenand, Community Development Director

Mayor Picanco opened the public discussion. Speaking from the public was Kathy Barnett. There were no further comments from the public, either written or oral, and the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Hamon, seconded by Councilmember Strong, moved to adopt a Resolution No. 10-012 approving the Purple Belt Program Memorandum of Understanding with San Luis Obispo County.

AYES: Gilman, Hamon, Steinbeck, Strong and Picanco

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

COUNCIL COMMENTS (Including oral reports on conferences attended)

1. **Councilmember Hamon** made comments regarding Templeton's Dog Park.
2. **Councilmember Strong** commented on State-level Watershed Plan corrections.

CLOSED SESSION

CALL TO ORDER – Large Conference Room, 2nd Floor

Existing Litigation: Arthurs Contracting, Inc. v. City of El Paso de Robles
OAH Case No. 04-0016-08

Government Code section 54956.9(a)

Councilmember Strong, seconded by Councilmember Steinbeck, moved to authorize a mediation settlement agreement.

AYES: Gilman, Hamon, Steinbeck, Strong and Picanco

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

The Council's action was announced publicly following closed session.

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11:06 p.m. ADJOURNMENT:

- THE ANNUAL AG ASSOCIATION DINNER AT 6:30 PM ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2010 AT THE PASO ROBLES EVENT CENTER, 2198 RIVERSIDE AVENUE
- THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEMBERSHIP MIXER AT 5:30 PM ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2010 AT TWIST STUDIO SPA, 1421 SPRING STREET
- THE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:30 PM ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2010 AT THE LIBRARY/CITY HALL CONFERENCE CENTER, 1000 SPRING STREET

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***THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING ITEMS FOR THE NEXT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING IS FEBRUARY 5, 2010***

Submitted:

Lonnie Dolan, Deputy City Clerk
Approved: