MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Lompoc
City Council and Lompoc Redevelopment Agency
Tuesday, November 4, 2008
City Hall, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Council Chambers

OPEN SESSION - 7:00 P.M.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: DeWayne Holmdahl, Ann Ruhge, Will Schuyler, Mike Siminski, and Mayor Dick DeWees.

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator/Executive Director Gary Keefe, City Clerk/Secretary Donna Terrones, City Attorney/General Counsel Matthew Granger, Civil Engineering Associate III Craig Dierling, Public Works Director Larry Bean, Recreation Manager Joanne Plummer, and Redevelopment Program Coordinator Linda Wertman.

OTHER PARTICIPANTS: John Lawrence, Matthew Hughes, John Linn, Harry Height, Ramona Guzman, Corey Guzman, and Pat Brady.

Darren Hunt gave the invocation and Mayor Dick DeWees led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS PRESENTED ELSEWHERE:

On October 28, 2008, Mayor DeWees presented a “Certificate of Special Recognition” to Florence Viele in honor of her 80th birthday, at the Lompoc Half-Century Club, 341 North “N” Street.

PRESENTATIONS:


Chief of Police Dabney announced that the Lompoc Police Department will be presenting the Special Olympics with a check for $30,000 from this year’s Car Show that was held on August 30, 2008. He acknowledged former Police Sgt. Harry Height for his dedication and service to the Special Olympics Annual Car Show. He presented an award to Ramona Guzman for her support to the Special Olympics and to her son Corey for selling the most raffle tickets.

Mayor/Chair DeWees and Council/Agency Member Holmdahl announced Awards the City of Lompoc received for International Economic Development Council promotional award of excellence for Lompoc Valley Magazine – “the Happiness Quotient” issue; and the Western Access Video Excellence Award for Discover Lompoc TAP TV program, “Mission Possible” episode.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S STATUS REPORT: (distributed as an informational report)

STAFF REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CITY 1. Project Update on City Project No. CS-08-S-2, Feasibility Study for Santa Ynez River Bank Stabilization at Riverbend Park Bikeway (Request by Council/Agency Member Holmdahl).

Council/Agency Member Holmdahl briefly discussed his request for the project update.
CITY 2. Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) for the Santa Ynez River (Request by Council/Agency Member Holmdahl).

Council/Agency Member Holmdahl briefly discussed his request for a response to Mr. Mosby’s concern regarding Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs).

CITY 3. Resolution No. 5501(08), Supporting Personnel Safety at the Lompoc United States Penitentiary (USP) Complex. (Request by Council/Agency Member Mike Siminski).

Council/Agency Siminski briefly discussed his request for the Resolution.

Mayor/Chair DeWees noted that there is no Capital Outlay being requested that it is only a request for support by Council for protective equipment for prison personnel.

Public Comment: None

ACTION: Motion/Second: Siminski/Ruhge. By a unanimous vote, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 5501(08) supporting Personnel Safety at the Lompoc United Stated Penitentiary Complex.

Council/Agency Member Siminski requested staff send a letter with a copy of the Resolution and backup to Santa Maria, Solvang, and Buellton Mayors encouraging them to consider similar action in their communities.

CITY 4. Lompoc Aquatic Center Operations Review (Request by Council/Agency Member Schuyler).

Council/Agency Member Schuyler briefly discussed his request for the Aquatic Center Operations Review.

Recreation Manager Joanne Plummer presented the staff report.

Council/Agency Member Holmdahl commented on the City’s WiFi system and service. He announced a change to the Minutes of 10/21/08, a dedication for the “In God We Trust” emblem on November 18, 2008 before the scheduled City Council/Redevelopment Agency Meeting and stated that the amount raised at the Turducken Dinner Event has not yet been released.

Council/Agency Member Schuyler commented on a car show that was held at Nojoqui Falls. He acknowledged that the Turducken Dinner event was a success and noted that the General Plan’s Environmental Report will be available in mid December.

Mayor/Chair DeWees announced that the Toys for Tots kickoff is scheduled for November 5, 2008; on Saturday, November 8, 2008 at 6:00 P.M. there will be a pajama read in at the Grossman Gallery in the Lompoc Library; on November 10, 2008 is the 233rd Anniversary of the United States Marine Corps (USMC); and on November 11, 2008 at 11:00 A.M. at the Veterans Memorial Building there will be a commemorative ceremony.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. John Lawrence commented on the public’s conduct towards the City’s Consultant from the last EIR Meeting.

2. Matthew Hughes commented on the “In God We Trust” emblem.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Motion/Second: Siminski/Holmdahl. By a unanimous vote, the City Council/Agency:
CONSENT CALENDAR: (cont’d)


CITY 6. Approved expenditures for:

Payroll of 10/15/08 - $1,394,412.89
Voucher Register of 10/24/08 - $1,081,174.26
Voucher Register of 10/3/08 - $2,304,154.20*
Credit Refunds of 10/20/08 - $989.67

*(Councilmember Schuyler did not participate in the vote for Ck#278109, Cut ‘N’ Clean Landscape Maintenance, $4,574.89).

CITY/RDA 7. Approved the appropriation of $1,500,000 in Community Development Block grant (CDBG) funds in order to complete the acquisition of 1120 West Ocean Avenue for use as the future Lompoc Valley Senior Community Center; and authorized the City Administrator to proceed with the acquisition and execute all related purchase agreements; and

Approved the appropriation of up to $425,000 from Redevelopment Tax Allocation Bond proceeds in order to complete the acquisition cost of a vacant lot located at 1110 West Ocean Avenue for use as a portion of the future Lompoc Valley Senior Community Center and authorized the Executive Director to proceed with the acquisition and execute all related purchase agreements.

CITY 8. Accepted Project No. FY-05-W-3 as complete and instructed the City Clerk to file the required Notice of completion regarding this project.

CITY 9. Authorized the Lompoc Police Department to accept the Grant award from the Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (OES) in the amount of $30,000 to provide supplemental overtime funding toward targeted gang enforcement within the City of Lompoc between October 1, 2008 and September 30, 2009.

CITY 10. Approved Amendment No. 1 to the NCPA Phase 2 Agreement for Funding the Planning and Development Activities of the Lodi Energy Center; authorize an additional expenditure of up to $300,000 for the scope expansion of Phase 2B activities as covered by amendment No. 1 and authorized the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 1.

CITY 11. Adopted Resolution No. 5500(08) authorizing City personnel to secure the encroachment permit from CalTrans for the Annual Lompoc Valley Children’s Holiday Parade and approved the City to contribute $2,500-$3,000 in City personnel and equipment costs associated with this event.

PUBLIC HEARING:


Redevelopment Program Coordinator Linda Wertman presented the staff report and recommendations.

Public Comment: None

PUBLIC HEARING: (cont’d)

Item No. 12

Agency Member Siminski acknowledged staff’s time and efforts for a job well done administering the Redevelopment program.


Civil Engineering Associate III Craig Dierling presented the staff report and recommendations.

Public Comment:

1. John Linn commented on the grant process.

Councilmember Schuyler commented on bike commuters.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Schuyler/Holmdahl. By a unanimous vote, the Council adopted Resolution No. 5499(08), adopting the City of Lompoc Bicycle Transportation Plan, November 2008.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REQUESTS, COMMENTS, AND MEETING REPORTS:

Council/Agency Member Siminski announced a meeting he attended and commented on Consent Calendar Item No. 10.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:12 P.M. Mayor DeWees adjourned the Lompoc City Council/Redevelopment Agency to an adjourned Joint Meeting with the Youth Commission at 6:30 P.M on Tuesday November 18, 2008 followed by the Regular Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

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Dick DeWees, Mayor
City of Lompoc

ATTEST:

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Donna N. Terrones, CMC
City Clerk