

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE
LA PALMA CITY COUNCIL, DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, AND TRAFFIC SAFETY
COMMITTEE

April 18, 2011

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Rodriguez called the Joint Meeting of the City Council, Development Committee (DC), and Traffic Safety Committee to order at 6:05 p.m. on Monday, April 18, 2011, in the Royal Palm Room of the La Palma Community Center, 7821 Walker Street, La Palma, California.

ROLL CALL:

Council Members present: Mayor Pro Tem Charoen, Council Member Hwangbo, Mayor Rodriguez, Council Member Shanahan, and Council Member Waldman

Council Members absent: None

City Officials present: Dominic Lazzaretto, City Manager
Douglas Dumhart, Community Development Director
Jeff Moneda, Public Works Director
Eric Nuñez, Police Chief
Laurie Murray, Administrative Services Manager

DC Members present: Committee Member Johnson, Chairperson Huang, Committee Member Lee, Committee Member Lowe, and Committee Member Noorbaksh

DC Members absent: None

TSC Members present: Vice Chair Alvis, Committee Member Goya, Committee Member Jensen, Committee Member Kim, and Chairperson Lutz

TSC Members absent: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

REGULAR ITEMS

1. Discussion of Policies, Procedures, and Activities of the Committees.

Mayor Rodriguez welcomed the Committee Members.

Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of Committee Members attending related training meetings; holding regular TSC meetings; budgeting for training for DC members; conducting proactive traffic safety training at local schools; the new drop off system at Walker Junior High School; working with the PSTA safety committees; that some school districts have mandatory training for bus riders; reaching adults about traffic safety through their children; and the need for parent volunteers to make any school traffic safety program work.

Further discussion ensued regarding Underground Utility Districts; ensuring that utilities receive permits for work; and the City's relationship with the various cable companies.

Discussion continued regarding the role of the TSC being advisory and conflicts within the Municipal Code; that the conflicts will be cleaned up with the Municipal Code recodification; a faster process for preparing and approving minutes for the TSC as they only meet quarterly; a request to prepare transcribed detailed minutes instead of action minutes; that transcribed minutes require too much staff time; and a recommendation that the TSC begin adopting Resolutions similar to those adopted by the DC that formalizes their motions and the thought process behind them; the importance of Staff Reports to the City Council including all opinions voiced at the TSC and DC meetings; absentee policies for Committee Members; a request that the City's website be updated to reflect the new TSC members; and noticing school principals and utilizing social media to encourage attendance of TSC meetings.

The City Council thanked the members of the DC and TSC for their service to the City and its citizens.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Rodriguez adjourned the Joint Meeting of the City Council, Development Committee, and Traffic Safety Committee meeting at 7:22 p.m.

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Ralph D. Rodriguez, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie A. Murray, CMC
City Clerk

Y. Henry Huang, DC Chairperson

Attest:

Douglas D. Dumhart, Secretary

Richard Lutz, TSC Chairperson

Attest:

Jeff Moneda, Secretary