

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA PALMA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

January 17, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Charoen called the Regular Meeting of the La Palma Community Development Commission to order at 7:27 p.m. in the Council Chambers of La Palma City Hall, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, California, with all members present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Vice Chairperson Hwangbo

INVOCATION: Tejinder Singh, The Sikh Temple

ROLL CALL: Commission Members

Commission Members present: Chairperson Charoen, Vice Chairperson Hwangbo, Commission Member Rodriguez, Commission Member Shanahan, and Commission Member Waldman

Commission Members absent: None

City Officials present: Dominic Lazzaretto, Executive Director
Joel Kuperberg, City Attorney
Michael Belknap, Recreation & Community Services Director
Douglas Dumhart, Community Development Director
Jeff Moneda, Public Works Director/City Engineer
Eric Nuñez, Police Chief
Laurie Murray, Administrative Services Manager/City Clerk
Kimberly Kenney, Minutes Clerk

CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of Community Development Commission Minutes

Minutes of the January 3, 2012, Regular Meeting of the La Palma Community Development Commission.

B. Approval of Register of Demands

Resolution No. CDC 2012-02 approving the Register of Demands for January 17, 2012.

C. Resolution Declaring the Community Development Commission Has Not Forgiven Any Indebtedness Owed to it by Any Public Body From January 1, 2010, to December 31, 2011

Resolution No. CDC 2012-03 declaring that the CDC has not forgiven any indebtedness owed to it by any public body from January 1, 2010, to December 31, 2011.

Commission Member Waldman made a motion to approve Consent Calendar Items A, B, and C.

The motion was seconded by Vice Chairperson Hwangbo and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Chairperson Charoen, Vice Chairperson Hwangbo, Commission Member Rodriguez, Commission Member Shanahan, and Commission Member Waldman

NOES: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None Scheduled.

REGULAR ITEMS

D. Report on Supreme Court Ruling on AB 1X 26 Redevelopment Dissolution Act

Community Development Director Dumhart gave the Staff Report.

Commission Comments and Questions:

Discussion ensued regarding repayment of the Community Development Commission (CDC) Loans and that the City could not determine how the State would respond after the court's ruling on the City of Cerritos.

City Attorney Kuperberg commented that the outcome of the Cerritos case may not provide guidance, but that the City should wait to see the outcome of the Supreme Court's decision.

Further discussion ensued regarding immediate payment of loans; that the Successor Agency could determine the format of repayment; that any decisions by the Successor Agency must be approved by the Oversight Board; that the laws are unclear; and that the cities who filed lawsuits had millions of dollars in loans.

City Attorney Kuperberg responded that the agencies who filed suit are the ones that risk the most financial loss; that the cities were selected because of the types of contracts issues; that La Palma's small size would not be helpful to the other agencies' case; and that the City is bound by the Supreme Court's decision.

Further discussion ensued regarding CDC funds going towards street rehabilitation projects; support for using Capital Outlay Reserve (COR) funds towards street rehabilitation projects if the Supreme Court rules against paying back City loans; and that the City needs to continue with economic development projects in order to encourage new business.

By consensus, the Community Development Commission agreed to Receive and File the report on the Supreme Court Ruling on AB 1X 26 Redevelopment Dissolution Act.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Charoen adjourned the Regular Meeting of the La Palma Community Development Commission at 7:52 p.m.

G. Henry Charoen
Chairperson

Attest:

Laurie A. Murray, CMC
City Clerk