

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE
LA PALMA CITY COUNCIL AND
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

April 10, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Charoen called the Joint Meeting of the City Council and the Community Activities and Beautification Committee (CAB) to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10, 2012, in the Royal Palm Room of the La Palma Community Center, 7821 Walker Street, La Palma, California.

ROLL CALL:

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

Council Members absent: Council Member Rodriguez

City Officials present: Terry Matz, Interim City Manager
Laurie Murray, Administrative Services Manager/City Clerk
Mike Belknap, Recreation and Community Services Director
Cindy Robinson, Community Services Supervisor
jaNell Adams, Recreation Coordinator
Lori Whalen, Minutes Clerk

Committee Members present: Committee Member Alvis, Committee Member Benda, Vice Chair Fortunato, Committee Member Hsiao, Committee Member Nakamura, Committee Member G. Patel, Committee Chair N. Patel, Committee Member Stecher and Committee Member Waheed

Committee Members absent: Committee Member DeCook

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

REGULAR ITEMS

1. Review of 2011-12 CAB Committee Programs

Committee Chair N. Patel thanked the City Council for their continued support of CAB activities. He stated that the year was a success under the leadership of Chair Stecher. He then presented a report including a power point presentation on past programs.

2. 2012-13 CAB Committee Programs presented by Committee Chair N. Patel

Committee Chair N. Patel presented the 2012-13 CAB programs as follows:

- a) The Arbor Day event will take place at Denni Street Park on Saturday, April 28, 2012. Four trees will be planted. Various activities have been planned for children, including arts and crafts and inflatable's provided by Interact. There will be a coloring contest for elementary students. The local Kiwanis will be providing refreshments.
- b) CAB is actively seeking members of the military to participate in this year's Memorial Day event. The student essay and art contest will be continued with \$300 budgeted from the City and with Committee Chair N. Patel's law firm donating another \$300 for award winners. The keynote speaker has already been secured.
- c) Summer Concerts in the Park will continue with tribute bands as in the past few years. CAB has chosen *Sounds Like Summer* as this year's theme and, pending approval of the concerts budget, will book the talent. CAB plans to continue to incorporate additional activities in conjunction with the concerts, such as National Night Out and the Civic Expo. The City Council agreed to be a part of the City Council Thank You concert. He also reported that last year the City Council asked CAB about the possibility of adding an eighth concert. CAB did contact the local high school in that regards, but they are not able to participate. Fortunately, staff was able to secure talent for an additional concert with a small increase in budget.

Chair N. Patel asked the City Council about a food truck event in conjunction with the concerts and also inquired about adding a wine/beer garden to raise funds to help cover CAB costs and/or as potential fundraising opportunities for non-profit groups. The City Council asked CAB to move forward with both concepts.

- d) An Ad hoc Committee was formed in response to the City Council's request for Community Beautification Projects. Ideas include: matching volunteers to homeowners in need of assistance for repairs and work on their homes.

Chair N. Patel asked Council if they had any further direction on where they see this Subcommittee proceeding. Council Member Shanahan suggested looking into opportunities for school children and art projects when benches in the park need replacing. CAB will continue to discuss and pursue other potential Community Beautification Projects.

Chair N. Patel announced that this would be student members M. Hsiao and R. DeCook last meeting as they will both be going to college next year. Both members have been very dedicated and are appreciated.

3. The 2012-13 CAB Budget was presented with an overall increase in expenditures of \$4300 related to the addition of a Concert, the Arbor Day program, and Community Beautification programs.

Council Member Waldman made a motion to approve the Concerts in the Park Program budget in the amount of \$18,338.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Shanahan and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Charoen, Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo,
Council Member Shanahan and Council
Member Waldman

NOES: None

Mayor Charoen thanked the committee for their hard work and dedication.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Charoen adjourned the Joint Meeting of the City Council and the Community Activities and Beautification Committee meeting at 6:35 p.m.

G. Henry Charoen, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie A. Murray, CMC
City Clerk

Nitesh Patel, Committee Chairperson

Attest:

Lori Whalen, Minutes Clerk