

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

March 22, 2011

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Rodriguez called the Joint Meeting of the City Council and the Community Activities and Beautification Committee (CAB) to order at 6:02 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22 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
Mike Belknap, Recreation and Community Services Director
Cindy Robinson, Recreation Supervisor
jaNell Adams, Recreation Coordinator
Lori Whalen, Minutes Clerk

Committee Members present: Committee Member Benda, Committee Member Fortunato, Committee Member Nakamura, Committee Member A. Patel, Committee Member G. Patel, Committee Member N. Patel, and Committee Member Waheed

Committee Members absent: Vice Chairperson Alvis, Committee Member DeCook, Committee Member Hsiao, and Chairperson Stecher

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

REGULAR ITEMS

1. Review of 2009-10 CAB Committee Programs

Committee Member N. Patel read a message from Chairperson Stecher who was unable to attend, thanking the City Council for their continued support of CAB activities. He then presented a report on past programs.

2. 2011-12 CAB Committee Programs presented by Committee Member N. Patel

Committee Member N. Patel presented the 2011-12 CAB programs as follows:

- a) CAB is actively seeking members of the military to participate in this year's Memorial Day event. The Subcommittee would like to continue supporting Operation Bit of Home for the troops. The student essay and art contest will be continued with \$300 budgeted from the City and N. Patel's law firm donating another \$300 for award winners.
- b) Summer Concerts in the Park will continue with tribute bands as in the past two years. CAB will identify a 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.

Committee Member DeCook and Committee Member Hsiao joined the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

- c) An ad-hoc committee was formed to discuss bringing an Arbor Day Program back to La Palma and CAB requested City Council direction.

Discussion ensued and consensus was reached as follows:

The City Council directed CAB to develop an Arbor Day program. They will discuss ideas that will educate and increase community involvement regarding tree plantings and consider program ideas for 2012.

Mayor Rodriguez encouraged the Committee to consider other Community Arts events such as an Art Display event, and suggested working with existing Arts programs at local schools.

3. The 2011-12 CAB Budget was presented with an overall increase in expenditures of \$2,700 for Holiday Tree Lighting and the Fine Arts programs.

Council Member Hwangbo made a motion to approve the Concerts in the Park Program budget in the amount of \$17,847

The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Charoen and carried on the following vote:

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

NOES: None

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Rodriguez adjourned the Joint Meeting of the City Council and the Community Activities and Beautification Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Ralph D. Rodriguez, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie A. Murray, CMC
City Clerk

William Stecher, Committee Chairperson

Attest:

Lori Whalen, Secretary