CITY OF LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Robert Garcia, 1st District Suja Lowenthal, Vice Mayor, 2nd District Gary DeLong, 3rd District Patrick O'Donnell, 4th District

Patrick H. West, City Manager Larry G. Herrera, City Clerk



Bob Foster, Mayor

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2010 333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD COUNCIL CHAMBER, 3:30 PM

Gerrie Schipske, 5th District Dee Andrews, 6th District James Johnson, 7th District Rae Gabelich, 8th District Steven Neal, 9th District

Robert E. Shannon, City Attorney

FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES

ROLL CALL (3:46 PM)

Councilmembers Garcia, Lowenthal, DeLong, O'Donnell, Schipske, Johnson,

Present: Gabelich and Neal

Councilmembers Andrews

Absent:

Also present: Patrick H. West, City Manager; Suzanne Frick, Assistant City Manager; Robert Shannon, City Attorney; Laura L. Doud, City Auditor; Larry Herrera, City Clerk; Nancy Muth, City Clerk Analyst.

Mayor Foster presiding.

SPECIAL MEETING (3:46 PM)

HEARING (3:46 PM)

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1. 10-1076

Recommendation to respectfully request City Council: (1) receive supporting documentation into the record and conduct a hearing on the appeal filed by the Coalition for a Safe Environment and the Long Beach Coalition for a Safe Environment of the Board of Harbor Commissioners' certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the Gerald Desmond Bridge Replacement Project, which appeal was filed pursuant to Long Beach Municipal Code Section 21.21.507; and (2) deny the appeal and uphold the Board of Harbor Commissioners' certification of the FEIR for the Project, and adopt resolution.

Robert Shannon, City Attorney, spoke regarding the appeal process; and distributed a memorandum outlining the procedures for the meeting.

Richard Cameron, Director of Environmental Planning, provided the staff report; and a PowerPoint presentation.

Robert Kanter, PhD., Managing Director - Environmental Affairs and Planning, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding bicycle pathways.

Vice Mayor Lowenthal spoke.

Councilmember Garcia spoke.

Councilmember Johnson spoke.

Jesse N. Marquez, Executive Director, Coalition For A Safe Environment, spoke as the appellant; and submitted written comments.

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke.

Councilmember Johnson spoke.

Councilmember Garcia spoke.

Bill Orten, representing State Senator Roderick D. Wright, 25th District, spoke in support of the motion.

Rich Dines, President of International Longshore and Warehouse Union, spoke in support of the motion.

William Lyte, Executive Committee of the Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce, spoke in support of the motion.

Richard Coronado, President of the Regional Hispanic Junior Chamber of Commerce, spoke in support of the motion.

Mark Bixby spoke regarding the bicycle plan.

Andrea White-Kjoss spoke regarding the bicycle plan.

Greg Paige spoke regarding the proposed bicycle path.

Carl Kemp, representing the Pacific Merchant Shippers Association, spoke in support of the motion.

Greg Freeman, representing the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation, spoke in support of the motion.

Elizabeth Warren, Executive Director of Future Ports, spoke in support of the motion.

Bianca Villanova, representing State Assemblymember Bonnie Lowenthal, 54th District, spoke in support of the motion.

Derrick Mims, representing State Assemblymember Warren Furutani, 55th District, spoke in support of the motion.

Helene Ansel, representing State Senator Alan Lowenthal, 27th District, spoke in support of the motion.

Jenny Stockton spoke regarding bicycles.

Marty O'Brian-Primmer, Executive Director of Mobility 21, spoke in support of the motion.

Ladonna de Camillo, Long Beach Chambers' Vice Chairman of Public Policy, spoke in support of the motion.

Jessica Duboff, representing the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, spoke in support of the motion.

Glen Amaya, truck driver, spoke in support of the motion.

Bruce Russell, Secretary of the American Council of Engineering Companies of Los Angeles County, spoke in support of the motion.

Tony Rivera, Chair of the West Long Beach Project Area Committee, spoke in support of the motion.

Daniel Benoit, Second Vice President of the Foreign Trade Association, spoke in support of the motion.

Mark Dawson, member of the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Customs Brokers and Freight Forwarders Association, spoke in support of the motion.

Larry Goodhue spoke in support of the motion.

A motion was made by Councilmember O'Donnell, seconded by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, to approve recommendation to receive the supporting documentation into the record, conclude the hearing, deny the appeal, and adopt Resolution No. RES-10-0116. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Garcia, Lowenthal, DeLong, O'Donnell, Schipske, Johnson, Gabelich and Neal

Absent: 1 - Andrews

Enactment No: RES-10-0116

At 5:10 PM, Mayor Foster recessed to Closed Session.

At 6:30 PM, Mayor Foster reconvened the meeting.

SECOND ROLL CALL (6:30 PM)

Councilmembers Garcia, Lowenthal, DeLong, Schipske, Johnson, Gabelich and

Present: Neal

Councilmembers O'Donnell and Andrews

Absent:

NEW BUSINESS (6:30 PM)

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2. 10-1108

Recommendation to consider and discuss the Mayor's Fiscal Year 2011 Veto Message, dated September 19, 2010, pursuant to Section 1704 of the Long Beach City Charter.

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gabelich, seconded by Councilwoman Schipske, to separate the two issues discussed in the Mayor's veto message. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Garcia, Lowenthal, DeLong, Schipske, Johnson, Gabelich and Neal

Absent: 2 - O'Donnell and Andrews

Motion: That discussion of the issue regarding the one percent reduction in general fund expenses for each department be laid over to next week. Moved by Gabelich, seconded by Schipske.

Robert Shannon, City Attorney, spoke.

Councilwoman Gabelich withdrew her motion; and spoke to the issue of the one percent reduction of general fund expenses of each department.

Mayor Foster spoke.

Patrick West, City Manager, spoke.

Councilmember DeLong spoke.

Councilwoman Schipske spoke.

Mayor Foster spoke.

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke.

Mayor Foster spoke.

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke.

Patrick West, City Manager, spoke.

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke.

Councilmember Neal spoke.

Laura L. Doud, City Auditor, spoke.

Rich Brandt, President of Long Beach Firefighters Association, spoke.

Matthew Boland, Director, Long Beach Firefighters Association, spoke.

Martin Legonia, District 3 Director and firefighter/paramedic, spoke.

John Wright, Vice President of Long Beach Firefighters Association, spoke.

Mayor Foster spoke.

Vice Mayor Lowenthal spoke.

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke.

Mayor Foster spoke.

Patrick West, City Manager, spoke.

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke.

Councilmember Johnson spoke.

Councilmember Garcia spoke.

Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial Management, spoke.

Councilmember Garcia spoke.

Councilmember Neal spoke.

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke.

Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial Management, spoke.

Vice Mayor Lowenthal spoke.

Mayor Foster spoke.

Vice Mayor Lowenthal spoke.

Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial management, spoke.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gabelich, seconded by Councilwoman Schipske, to receive and file comments regarding the one percent reduction in department general fund expenses. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Garcia, Lowenthal, Schipske, Johnson, Gabelich and Neal

Absent: 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Andrews

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke regarding the \$60 million budget item for construction of the new Harbor administration building.

Mayor Foster spoke.

Chris Lytle, Deputy Executive Director, Long Beach Harbor Department, spoke.

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gabelich, seconded by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, to receive and file comments regarding the \$60 million for the Harbor administration building. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Garcia, Lowenthal, Schipske, Johnson, Gabelich and Neal

Absent: 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Andrews

Councilmember Johnson spoke regarding an erroneous vote cast last week on an item concerning exploring transportation options in and around the Queen Mary.

3. Affidavit of Service for the special meeting held Tuesday, September 28, 2010.

4. <u>10-1109</u>

Supplemental Memorandum - Corrections and/or additions to the City Council Agenda as of 12:00 noon, Friday, September 24, 2010.

This Agenda Item was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT (8:10 PM)

At 8:10 PM, Mayor Foster adjourned the meeting.

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