

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL
Civic Center – Council Chambers
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, CA 91301
March 8, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

The flag salute was led by Councilmember Koehler.

Present were: Mayor Denis Weber, Mayor Pro Tem Dan Kuperberg, Councilmember John Edelston, Councilmember William Koehler, and Councilmember Harry Schwarz.

Also Present were: City Manager Greg Ramirez, Assistant City Manager Jim Thorsen, Assistant to the City Manager Nathan Hamburger, City Engineer Ken Berkman, and City Clerk Kimberly Rodrigues.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Steele reported on the Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9(a) and 54956.9(b). Direction was given to staff and no reportable action was taken.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Kuperberg, second by Councilmember Schwarz, the Agenda was approved without objection.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

There were no Oral Communications.

PRESENTATIONS

There were no Presentations.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL, SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE & DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Councilmember Schwarz spoke about the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (SMMC) meeting and reported that two members of the public had requested the SMMC look into the acquisition of two pieces of property and the committee had not responded to their request.

Terry Dipple, Executive Director, provided an update on the Las Virgenes Malibu Council of Governments (COG) and spoke about the priorities and projects of the COG, including offering disaster preparedness and emergency training and annual Ethics Training for public officials.

CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Councilmember Edelston, second by Mayor Pro Tem Kuperberg, the Consent Calendar was approved 5-0.

1. Approve Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of February 22, 2006

ACTION: Approved, 5-0

2. Approve Authorization to Seek Bids, in Compliance with California Public Contract Code Section 20166, for City Hall Repair Project; NIB 05-06

ACTION: Approved, 5-0

DISCUSSION/ACTION

3. Adopt Resolution No. 06-1407; MODIFYING PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON THE NORTH AND SOUTH SIDES OF LARO DRIVE BETWEEN KANAN ROAD AND RUSTLING OAKS DRIVE

Prior to the meeting, copies of written comments from Gregg Elbling, 29055 Saddlebrook Drive, Agoura Hills, expressing his concerns in relation to the parking situation and pedestrian safety concerns along Laro Drive, were distributed to the City Council.

There were no speakers.

ACTION: Following discussion, the motion by Mayor Pro Tem Kuperberg to adopt Resolution No. 06-1407, was seconded by Councilmember Edelston and approved on a roll call vote of 5-0.

COUNCIL, STAFF COMMENTS

City Engineer Berkman provided an update on public works projects including sidewalk, ADA accessibility, and parking lot improvements in Forest Cove and Sumac parks.

Councilmember Edelston requested the Council consider the modification of the Agenda to accommodate the inclusion of discussion items for consideration when Council meetings last a short time, which would provide Council the opportunity to engage in discussion relating to various issues. Mayor Weber noted that if any Councilmembers would like to forward him topics of interest or discussion, he would be happy to place them on a light Agenda for Council consideration.

Councilmember Koehler spoke about the Great Race and commended staff on a successful event.

Mayor Pro Tem Kuperberg also spoke about the Great Race and mentioned there were many opportunities for residents to attend or participate in events and activities in Agoura Hills and commended staff on offering a variety of cultural and recreational services to the community.

Mayor Weber announced that the Community Services Department would be recognized with an Award of Excellence from the California Park and Recreation Society for their marketing campaign for the Reyes Adobe Days event; reported that he attended a Blue & Gold Dinner for Cub Scout Pack #227 and spoke about volunteerism; shared that he also spoke at his church's Men's Club regarding City issues including the Kanan Interchange and Reyes Adobe projects and similar developments in the City; and wished everyone a Happy Saint Patrick's Day.

City Manager Ramirez reported that the construction on the U.S. 101/Kanan Interchange project had begun and encouraged the public to access the City's website for project updates.

Assistant City Manager Thorsen provided the website address (www.kananroad.org) for the project updates.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:39 p.m., on a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Kuperberg, second by Councilmember Koehler, the Council unanimously consented to adjourn the meeting to 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 22, 2006, for a Regular Meeting of the City Council in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center with a Closed Session at 5:30 p.m. The Civic Center is located at 30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California.

Kimberly M. Rodrigues, CMC
City Clerk