

**CITY OF ANGELS  
CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES**

**Tuesday, February 19, 2008**

Council Members Present: Bill Hutchinson (Mayor), Lee Seaton (Vice Mayor), Paul Raggio, Jack Lynch and Jack Boeding  
Others Present: Tim Shearer, Gary Ghio, Melisa Ralston, Dale Mendenhall, Richard Matranga and Mary Kelly

**5:30 P.M. PLANNING COMMISSION INTERVIEWS**

Due to the absence of the interviewees, interviews were continued to the March 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**6:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER**

**KINDNESS HERO ESSAYS**

Presented by Mark Twain Elementary School students. Kindness students and their nominees:

Kimberly Thorson by Michael Legge  
James Michael Shevlin by Crissy Shevlin  
Marny Mercado by Tricia Welch  
Elizabeth Bailey by Stephany Randall  
Charmaine DeSimone by DeSimone  
Marilyn Baxley by Edward Santos  
Mikayla Muehleisen by Madison Lewis  
Susan Middleton by Kent Whittle  
Laura Ferriera by Kenzie Segale

Francisco Munoz by Francisco Munoz  
Tammie Lundin by Sidney Clark  
Heath Lane by Jay Praster  
Tasha Westberg by Julia Rohrabaugh  
Dick Elliot by Ernie Fonseca  
Shaun Westberg by Andrew Michels  
Alex Hammond by Samuel Janofsky  
Rex Whittle by Colton Atkinson

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Denise Turco** – 244 El Dorado Court

Requested the minutes be removed from consent and placed on the regular agenda.

**Steve Difu** – 576 Sasa

Would like the minutes to reflect his complaint regarding the hours of operation at the business at 701 Selkirk.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Council Member Seaton, seconded by Council Member Raggio, and carried to adopt item #2: Motion to pay bills.

**REGULAR MEETING**

Consent Item #1: Minutes of Regular Meeting – January 15, 2008

**Denise Turco** – 244 El Dorado Court

Reported that she had received a response from the City Administrator regarding her roundabout question at the 2/5/08 meeting, but felt he did not address the question adequately and she would like a better response. She asked if consultants have been paid or directed to study roundabouts at SH4 and Angel Oaks Drive and if so, why is the City persisting in spending funds on this intersection unless the Greenhorn Creek intersection is still an option? Mayor Hutchinson explained that the study is to gather all the facts in order to move forward with a determination.

MOTION by Council Member Seaton, seconded by Council Member Raggio, and carried 3-0-2 with Council Members Lynch and Boeding abstaining to adopt the February 5, 2008 minutes.

1. **PUBLIC HEARING – APPEAL – MARY H. MILLER**

Planner Wyntress Balcher explained that Mary Miller is appealing 4 Conditions of Approval of the Tentative Parcel Map as set forth by the Planning Commission (Project No. 2007.04). The applicant's son, Don Jordon, speaking on behalf of his mother read into the record (attachment 1) his reasons for appealing the Commission's decision. After discussion by the City Council it was decided that there was insufficient information in denying or approving the appeal. The Council asked Mr. Jordon if it would be a hardship if the decision took a while longer. He assured them it was not a hardship. It was agreed by Council to send this item back to the Planning Commission to gain additional information.

MOTION by Council Member Seaton, seconded by Council Member Raggio and carried 5-0 to RETURN THIS MATTER TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION IN LIGHT OF INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE APPELLANT.

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2. **PROPOSITION 1B FUNDING PLAN**

The City Engineer explained that in order to receive Proposition 1B funding, a project plan is needed. This Plan can be amended.

MOTION by Council Member Raggio, seconded by Council Member Seaton and carried 5-0 APPROVING RESOLUTION 08-09. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANGELS CAMP APPROVING THE PROPOSITION 1B LOCAL STREETS AND ROADS FUNDING PLAN.

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3. **APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING COMMISSIONER**

This item was postponed to March 4, 2008.

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4. **VARIOUS BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Hutchinson made appointments to various committees and boards (attachment 2).

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5. **CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT PROCEDURE**

Council Member Lynch reported on the process and reactions received at the February 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting in the selection of a new Council Member. He felt there needed to be a more respectful approach to use in the future.

**Roger Neuman- 247 Leaf Court**

Believes it is important that duties and responsibilities are outlined to applicants. The application should be more detailed and specific.

**John Broeder – 1860 Finnegan Lane**

Commented that he felt the interview process was amateurish with few pertinent questions being asked. Asked if the Council could discuss amongst themselves before picking a member.

Council Member Raggio stated that there was a vast difference of opinion, but the process worked.

City Attorney stated that there is no leeway in public as there is in private industry. A job description may sound like a good idea, but it is a public process and there is no easy way around the issue.

Council Member Seaton reported on the appointment process as outlined by the League of Women Voters. He asked that the handout from the League be included with the minutes (attachment 3).

The Mayor noted that anyone can be a City Council member if elected – whether experienced or not. He suggested that this be discussed further and a plan developed. The Council agreed that this will be taken to the Personnel Finance Committee for recommendation and comments and these comments then brought forward to the City Council for review.

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## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

### **Council Member Raggio**

- Reported on the presentation given by Debbie Webster from CCVWA. Felt it was good information, but no solution was given as to the anticipated rate increase. He felt it was highly important that something be done so that rate-payers are not severely affected.
- **Direction: A discussion on a sales tax increase to be agendized for the next council meeting.**

### **Council Member Seaton**

- He also felt the CVCWA presentation was good. He reported that the City is not alone with their water issues and encouraged the public to get more involved.

### **Council Member Lynch**

- Reminded the Council that Debbie Webster said that City Council Members are highly encouraged to testify, along with the City Administrator (and perhaps private citizens) to legislature on the water issues.
- He reported on the CCOG meeting, stating that the OWP item on visioning will not be funded by the CCOG. He also stated that with a change in staffing at Sierra Business Council, the City might want to have further discussion on how to accomplish a visioning project.
- At a meeting at Central Sierra Planning Council, it was reported that the number of housing units forecast for Angels Camp was 25 per year.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

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Lee Seaton  
Vice Mayor

ATTEST:

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Mary Kelly  
City Clerk