

**MINUTES**  
**JOINT TOWN COUNCIL,**  
**REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AND**  
**WINDSOR WATER DISTRICT MEETING**

**Wednesday, January 7, 2009**

**Regular Session - 6:00 p.m.**

**Civic Center Council Chambers**  
**9291 Old Redwood Highway, Building 400**  
**Windsor, CA 95492**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**  
Mayor Goble called to order a meeting of the Town Council, also serving as the Board of Directors of the Windsor Redevelopment Agency and Town of Windsor Water District at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. COUNCIL ROLL CALL**  
Present at Roll Call were Councilmembers Allen, Fudge, Salmon, Scholar and Mayor Goble.
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**  
Assistant Town Manager Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. PRESENTATION(S)/PROCLAMATION(S)**
  - 4.1 Presentation - Employee of the Quarter Award to Pedro Viñas, Maintenance Technician**  
Mayor Goble presented Pedro Viñas, Maintenance Technician, with the Employee of the Quarter plaque and remarked on his dedication and hard work.
  - 4.2 Proclamation - Steve Lehmann as Honorary Town Historian**  
Mayor Goble read a proclamation naming Stephen Lehmann as the Town of Windsor's Honorary Town Historian.
- 5. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
  - a. Upcoming Town Events  
Mayor Goble and Councilmembers announced various upcoming events.
  - b. One Cool Green Thing  
No reports were made.

**6. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION - None.**

**7. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - None.**

**8. CITIZEN PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dennis Prior, Windsor resident, asked about the status of his previous request to change a law pertaining to backyard burnings as noted in a letter that was distributed to the Council at the meeting. (A copy of the letter is on file in the Town Clerk's Office).

Thomas Eddy, Windsor resident, spoke regarding the need for secure bicycle parking in the Town.

**9. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Vice Mayor Salmon requested that Item 9.4 be pulled from the Consent Calendar and considered in advance of Item 10.1.

Councilmember Allen moved to adopt the remainder of the Consent Calendar items as follows. Vice Mayor Salmon seconded the motion. The motion to adopt all items except Item 9.4 passed by a 5/0 vote.

**9.1 Check Register No. 399**

**5/0 vote.** By motion, approved disbursements in the amount of \$1,656,078.72.

**9.2 Approval of Minutes - None**

**9.3 Zoning Ordinance Amendments Relating to Inclusionary Housing Requirements**

**5/0 vote.** Adopted, by title only, Ordinance No. 2009-250, amending Chapter 27.23, of the Zoning Ordinance relating to Inclusionary Housing requirements.

**9.4 Hembree House and Cunningham House Lease Agreements**

This item was considered immediately after the approval of the Consent Calendar items.

**9.5 FBI Criminal History Access**

**5/0 vote.** Adopted Resolution No. 2413-09, authorizing the Town of Windsor to access summary criminal history information for employment purposes from the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

**9.4 Hembree House and Cunningham House Lease Agreements**

Vice Mayor Salmon explained the reasons why he requested that this item be pulled from the Consent Calendar. He expressed concerns associated with the 10 year lease agreements as they tend to bind the Town for a long period of time.

Community Services Director Legge responded to questions related to the length of the agreements.

Councilmember Allen moved to adopt the following resolutions, seconded by Councilmember Fudge. The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

- a) Adopted a Resolution No. 2411-09, authorizing the Town Manager to execute an agreement with the Windsor Historical Society (WHS) and Windsor Arts Council (WAC) for the lease of the Hembree House.
- b) Adopted a Resolution No. 2412-09, authorizing the Town Manager to execute an agreement with the Windsor Historical Society (WHS) for the lease of the Cunningham House.

## **10. PUBLIC HEARING**

### **10.1 Freezing the Old Downtown Windsor Business Improvement District (BID) Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Annual Assessment**

Assistant Town Manager Johnson reported on this item.

Mayor Goble opened the public hearing.

Bill Fallis, Windsor resident and President of the BID, spoke in support for the dissolution of the BID.

Kurt Mitchler, Windsor resident and Downtown business owner, suggested that the BID be left dormant for an unspecified period of time.

Mayor Goble closed the public hearing.

Vice Mayor Salmon moved to adopt Resolution No. 2414-09, repealing Resolution No. 2322-08 which levied the assessments for the Old Downtown Windsor Business Improvement District for the 2008/2009 fiscal year and directed the Town Manager to initiate proceedings to disestablish the District. Councilmember Scholar seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

## **11. REGULAR CALENDAR**

### **11.1 County of Sonoma's Contractual Assessment Program, AB 811**

Building Official Pantazes reported on this item.

Mayor Goble called for comments from the public.

Brad Sherwood, Windsor resident, spoke in support of the SC Contractual Assessment Program AB 811.

There were no further public comments.

Councilmember Fudge moved to adopt Resolution No. 2415-08, consenting to the inclusion of properties within the Town of Windsor's incorporated area in the County of Sonoma's contractual assessment program to finance distributed generation renewable energy sources and energy efficiency improvements. Councilmember Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

**11.2 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Items proposed for the 09-10 Budget**

Senior Planner Thompson reported on this item.

Mayor Goble called for comments from the public.

Brad Sherwood, Windsor resident, suggested that staff explore the use of plug-in hybrid cars as a possible program for the future.

There were no further public comments.

Council supported moving forward with the following Greenhouse Gas Reduction measures as follows: 1) Waste Water Solar Bee Circulating System; 2) 1 Mega Watt Photovoltaic (PV) Solar Panel System; 3) Waste Water Pumps; and 4) Cool Roof for Buildings 300 and 400. Staff was directed to provide Council with more information during the FY 2009-11 budget process on the Efficiency Coordinator and Biodiesel 50 fueling option.

**11.3 Budget Amendment for Duvander Lane Closure for Classic Car Show**

Community Services Director Legge reported on this item.

Mayor Goble called for comments from the audience. No comments were forthcoming.

Councilmember Allen moved to adopt Resolution No. 2416-08, amending the 2008-2009 Budget to appropriate funds to cover street closure fees for the 2009 Classic Car Show in the amount of \$1,443. Vice Mayor Salmon seconded the motion. The motion passed by 5/0 vote.

**11.4 2009 Town of Windsor Legislative Policy Guidelines**

Assistant Town Manager Johnson reported on this item.

Mayor Goble called for comments from the audience.

Brad Sherwood, Windsor resident, briefly spoke in support of the Legislative Policy Guidelines and encouraged Council to adopt them.

There were no further comments.

Council, by consensus, adopted the Town of Windsor 2009 Legislative Policy Guidelines and authorized the Mayor and/or Town Manager to submit advocacy letters on behalf of the Town if the proposed State or Federal legislation is within the Town's adopted legislative policy guidelines.

**11.5 Consider Casinos to participate in the Summer Night Sponsorship Program and provide staff direction**

Community Services Director Legge reported on this item.

Mayor Goble called for comments from the audience.

Harvey Hopkins, Chairman of the Dry Creek Rancheria and Board Member of the River Rock Entertainment Authority, discussed how the casinos benefit the Windsor community and expressed support for allowing casinos to participate in the funding of the Summer Night Sponsorship Program. He indicated that if Council did not accept the casinos participation than perhaps they could accept the sponsorship from the Tribal Counsel.

There were was no further public testimony.

Councilmember Fudge discussed the reasons why she brought this item forward.

During the discussion that ensued, Councilmember Allen and Mayor Goble explained why they do not support the participation of casinos in the Summer Nights Sponsorship program. However, both Councilmember Allen and Mayor Goble indicated that they are willing to support the participation by Tribal Counsel.

It was noted that the rest of the Councilmembers were supportive of allowing the participation of casinos in the Summer Night's Sponsorship program, noting that many tribal members live and are active in the Windsor community.

Vice Mayor Salmon moved to eliminate the prohibition of Casinos from participating in the Town's Summer Night Sponsorship program. Councilmember Scholar seconded the motion. Following a roll call vote, the motion passed by a 3/2 vote (Councilmember Allen and Mayor Goble opposing).

**12. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON PENDING STATE OR FEDERAL LEGISLATION AND ACTIVITIES**

**12.1 League of California Cities**

**12.2 Sonoma County Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association Legislative Committee Update**

**13. MAYOR'S & COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS**

**13.1 Individual Councilmember Reports and Comments**

Vice Mayor Salmon spoke on the need to have both representative and alternate attend the SCTA meetings.

**13.2 Reports on Meetings/Conferences - None.**

**13.3 Requests for Future Council Agenda Items - None.**

**14. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT (NO WRITTEN REPORT.) - None.**

**15. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION TOPIC/ ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor Goble announced the following Closed Session topic and Council adjourned to a Closed Session in the Wild Oak Room at 8:07 p.m.

**15.1 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS** (Government Code Section 54956.8)

Property: 9400 Honsa (APN: 066-620-004)

Town Negotiator: Town Manager or designee

Negotiating Parties: Town and Orrin and Terri Thiessen

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms.

**16. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

The Closed Session adjourned and the regular meeting reconvened with all members present. No action was taken during the Closed Session.

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. to a Regular meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, January 21, 2009, in the Civic Center Council Chambers located at 9291 Old Redwood Highway, Building 400 in Windsor.

Approved and adopted this 21st day of January 2009.

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Maria De La O, CMC  
Town Clerk