

**TWENTYNINE PALMS CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING
6136 Adobe Road
Twentynine Palms, CA 92277
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Tuesday, June 24, 2008
6:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

- 1.0 CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Bernal called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Councilmember Harris led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
INVOCATION - Dr. Lou Gerhardt, Retired
ROLL CALL – The following Councilmember’s were present: Flock, Harris, Klink, and Mayor Bernal. Mayor Pro Tem Spear had an excused absence.
- 2.0 SPECIAL RECOGNITION AND PRESENTATIONS** - None
- 3.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 3.1 Mayor Bernal announced that these proceedings would be televised on Cable T.V., Channel 10, as follows: Saturday, June 28, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. and Friday, July 4, 2008 at 5:00 p.m.
- 3.2 Mayor Bernal announced that Item 9.1 would not be heard tonight due to a conflict in scheduling
- 4.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- 4.1 Evans Formica, Twentynine Palms, spoke to the City Council about having bike paths from Adobe Road and Hwy. 62 and the Main Gate to all of Duval Road on the Base.
- Councilmember Klink responded that bike paths will be placed on Amboy Road to the Base soon.
- Owen Gillick, Twentynine Palms, suggested that the City Council give specific support to the General Plan as it will describe the way the City will look. He also said that there is no southwest theme at the drugstores in town.
- Councilmember Harris said the companies should be asked for pictures of the designs for the stores.
- 5.0 COUNCIL COMMENTS**
- Councilmember Klink wished a Happy Birthday to his nephew and grandson. He urged everyone to get involved in the Adopt-a-Street Program and he said for more information they can call Cindy Villescas at City Hall. He said that the High School Basketball Team has been doing yard work to raise money for a trip to Alaska for the team. Councilmember Klink said Mrs. Betty Cobb passed away and the services will be held

on Saturday, June 16, 2008., at 9:00 a.m. at the Little Church of the Desert. Mayor Bernal said that the Twentynine Palms High School Valedictorian is 15 years old. She also said that Ernie Baker passed away on June 20, 2008; services are pending. Mayor Bernal said that she attended the Chamber of Commerce installation dinner.

Councilmember Harris said that a big bear was seen in the Nelsons backyard on Via Allegra, probably looking for water.

Mayor Bernal said that because the weather is very hot now, people should check on seniors and pets. She said the new hands-free law for cell phones goes into effect July 1st, She also said that people should keep their garbage enclosed from wildlife. Mayor Bernal said that the next Council Connection meeting is on June 26, 2008 with Councilmember Klink and herself in attendance.

6.0 CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR

- 6.1 Waive the Reading of Ordinance and Approve the Reading by Title Only
RECOMMENDATION: The City Council approve the reading by title only of all ordinances and that further reading of such ordinances be waived.
- 6.2 Warrant Register
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file register totaling \$ 527,759.50.
- 6.3 Approval of Minutes
RECOMMENDATION: The City Council approve the minutes of the June 10, 2008, City Council meeting.
- 6.4 Adoption of Election Resolution No. 08-22 Calling and Giving Notice of a General Municipal Election, and Requesting Consolidation of the Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election
RECOMMENDATION: The City Council adopt Resolution No. 08-22, a Resolution Calling and giving Notice of a General Municipal Election on November 4, 2008, and requesting consolidation of the Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election.

On a motion of Councilmember Klink, seconded by Councilmember Flock and carried with a 4-1 (Spear-absent), roll call vote, the Consent Calendar approved as submitted.

7.0 ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION OR SEPARATE ACTION AND/OR ADDED AGENDA ITEMS - None

8.0 PUBLIC HEARING - None

9.0 REPORTS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS - None

- 9.1 Presentation by Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians on Gaming Project
RECOMMENDATION: The City Council receives the report and provides input.

Item 9.1 was removed from the agenda as there was a scheduling conflict for the Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians and they were unable to attend the meeting.

10.0 LEGISLATIVE/COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT

- 10.1 Discussion on Amending the Twentynine Palms Municipal Code to establish Chapter 19.25 of the Development Code, Planned Development Districts.
RECOMMENDATION: Discuss the Planned Development District concept, take public comment and provide direction to staff.

Community Development Director Meyerhoff presented a staff report and a power point presentation to the City Council.

City Attorney Munoz said his only issue is that if zoned residential it can be used various ways. He gave examples of uses.

Councilmember Klink asked if the zones change to planned development do they re-negotiate

Councilmember Flock asked about multi family in a commercial zone. He said that people want lower. He said that multi-family goes against what the community says. He said that with clustering there is no guarantee there will be maintenance in open space Councilmember Flock said he did not want planned development.

Nicole Panter, Twentynine Palms, spoke about the shift in density.

Cindy Slaton, Twentynine Palms, spoke about the pros and cons of keeping planned development away from Adobe Road.

Eric Goldsmith, developer, said at 2.5 there is no increase in density. He said the project will promote pedestrian safety and keep cars off the street.

Councilmember Flock asked who maintains the planned development.

Mr. Goldsmith stated that a Home Owner's Association would take care of it.

City Attorney Munoz stated they are talking about a concept.

John Marasou, said that he likes the Ordinance. He said that a walking environment would be a good deal for the community.

Carey Martz, Manhattan Beach, spoke in favor of item 10.1. He said that it will be an effective Ordinance and tool.

Tim Dutton, property Development Corp was in favor of Item 10.1.

11.0 FUTURE COUNCIL INITIATED ITEMS

- 11.1 Councilmember Klink said that he would like a City Ordinance that requires people to pick up phone books that are left on their property and Councilmember Harris said that he would like a City Ordinance that would require people to pick up newspapers that are left on their property.

12.0 CLOSED SESSION

- 12.1 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9
Conference with Legal Counsel regarding Potential Litigation (3 cases)

- 13.0 ADJOURN** – Mayor Bernal adjourned the meeting in memory of Mr. Ernie Baker at 7:32 p.m. The City Council adjourned to Closed Session at 7:32 p.m. and adjourned at 8:05 with no action being taken.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene L. Sherwood CMC, City Clerk