

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF
THE MONTCLAIR CITY COUNCIL AND
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND MONTCLAIR
HOUSING CORPORATION BOARDS HELD ON
MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2004, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 5111 BENITO
STREET, MONTCLAIR, CALIFORNIA

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Dutrey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. INVOCATION

Pastor Juan Campos, The Door Christian Fellowship, gave the Invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member/Director Paulitz led those assembled in the Pledge.

IV. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Dutrey; Council Members/Directors Paulitz and Raft; City Manager/Executive Director McDougal; Director of Administrative Services Starr; Director of Redevelopment/Public Works Staats; Director of Community Development/Agency Planner Clark; City/Agency Engineer Hudson; City Attorney/Agency Counsel Robbins; City Clerk/Agency Secretary Jackson

Absent: Mayor/Chairman Eaton (excused); Council Member/Director Ruh (arrived at 7:36 p.m.)

Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Dutrey advised that Mayor/Chairman Eaton is in Atlantic City at a transportation conference and that Council Member/Director Ruh is presently returning from a conference in Northern California and will be here shortly.

V. PRESENTATIONS

A. Proclamation Declaring the Month of April as "Child-Abuse Prevention Month" in the City of Montclair

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey presented Mr. Clark Morrow, Public Information Officer, San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, with a proclamation declaring the month of April as "Child-Abuse

Prevention Month" in the City of Montclair.

Mr. Morrow accepted the proclamation and thanked Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey on behalf of **Mr. Ken Paxton** and **Ms. Susan Melanson** of **Children's Network**. He noted that information related to parenting tips, praising children, and spending quality time with one's children is available at the entrance to the Council Chambers.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey thanked **Mr. Morrow** for attending the meeting.

B. Proclamation Declaring April 23, 2004, as "Arbor Day" in the City of Montclair

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey presented City Engineer Hudson with a proclamation declaring April 23, 2004, as "Arbor Day " in the City of Montclair.

C. Proclamation Declaring April 19 Through 25, 2004, as "Volunteer Appreciation Week" in the City of Montclair

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey presented Community Action Committee Chair Darleen Hartman with a proclamation declaring April 19 through 25, 2004, as "Volunteer Appreciation Week" in the City of Montclair.

CAC Chair Hartman accepted the proclamation and thanked Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey.

D. Presentation of "Volunteer of the Year" Award

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey stated that Americans are selflessly devoted to the spirit of volunteerism, unique in their uncommon capacity to donate their time and services for public benefit. Inasmuch as these services are always performed quietly and unassumingly, he advised that the City desires to let our volunteers know how proud we are of their altruistic efforts. He announced that CAC Chair Hartman and Members Manny Martinez and Mary Fondario as well as Council Members Raft and Paulitz would be assisting him in the presentation of plaques and awards this evening for the *18th Annual Volunteer of the Year* program.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey presented *Volunteers of Distinction* plaques to the following nominees:

San Bernardino County Library, Montclair Branch volunteer **Mr. Ramez Chalaby**, who donates his time twice a week at the Library and, because of his dedication and good work skills, was recently appointed as a part-time page.

Youth Basketball Program volunteer **Mr. Dorian Terry**, who has

coached two teams for the past seven years. A very dedicated and caring person, he serves as an excellent role model for our young athletes. **Mr. Terry** represents Montclair well at regional basketball tournaments, and his dedication to training our young people to excel in the sports world is commendable.

Montclair–Ontario Junior Women’s Club volunteer **Mrs. Marcia Richter**, who contributes in all areas of the club's service projects to bridge the gap in health, public service, and senior programs. **Mrs. Richter** participates in as well as chairs many of the club's community projects, such as the Community Health Fair, Easter Egg Hunt, medical–support projects, school programs, and special holiday activities, such as the collection of food and toys for the disadvantaged. With care and concern for others, she is a strong advocate for helping individuals to help themselves.

Pomona Valley Workshop volunteer **Mr. Andrew Bucsak**, a local high school student who has devoted countless hours of his spare time to this worthwhile organization. Once a month, **Mr. Bucsak** spends approximately five to six hours arranging for a dance at the facility, including moving furniture, mopping the floor, decorating, assisting with food preparation, taking keepsake photographs during the course of the event, and assisting in cleanup. He is also to be commended for his undivided attention in his interactions with the clientele of **Pomona Valley Workshop**.

Por la Vida volunteer **Ms. Marcia Cobian**, who has actively participated in all aspects of the program, including teaching program sessions to 12 groups of women, thereby reaching over 150 families. **Ms. Cobian's** involvement over the past six years has demonstrated that there are no age, language, walking distance, or cultural barriers that prevent her from her enthusiastic service to this community organization.

Montclair Senior Citizen Nutrition Program and other senior programs volunteers **Herbert** and **Lillian Kerns**, a dedicated, energetic, friendly, and helpful couple. Each month, **Mr.** and **Mrs. Kerns** volunteer over five hours of their time to assist in organizing the popular and well–attended senior nutrition program's birthday parties. They are always willing to go that extra mile and serve as inspirations to everyone.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey presented the following *2004 Volunteer of the Year* awards:

Second Runner–Up: **Ms. Susie Bennett**, nominated by the **Girl Scouts – Spanish Trails Council**, has dedicated 29 years to this organization, serving as a leader in all age levels, a member of numerous committees, District chair, member of the Board, and Council

President for a three-year term. **Ms. Bennett** currently serves as Chair of the Girl Scouts Gold Award Alliance Committee, whose goal is to help young women attain the highest national award they can achieve.

First Runner-Up: **Ms. Dorothy Paul**, nominated by **Montclair Vista Women's Club**, who currently and for the past 12 years has served as President of this service club that she founded in 1959. **Mrs. Paul's** special interests include helping the disadvantaged in the community. She has opened her home for club fundraisers for contributions to the City's Holiday Food and Toy Drive, assisted a family that lost its home in the Mt. Baldy fire last year, donated to families that lost their homes in San Bernardino last year to fire, and gave a trailer to a home-less family. She has volunteered diligently for over 45 years in educational and civic projects, including participating on the Evaluation and Selection Committee for **Montclair High School** scholarships and the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Program.

First Place: **Jack and Emma Reubsamen**, nominated by the **Retired Senior Volunteer Program** and **Montclair Meals on Wheels**, are a dedicated couple residing in another community who have unselfishly devoted their time and energy once a week (and more recently, twice a week) for the past 14 years to deliver meals to Montclair residents unable to shop or cook for themselves. The **Reubsamens** understand that often they are many seniors' only link to the outside world, so they make their visits count, ensuring meals are packed and labeled correctly and that specific dietary needs are met and

always arriving promptly at each residence with friendship, smiles, and caring words.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey expressed his appreciation to the volunteers and thanked them for caring and believing in Montclair.

At 7:25 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey recessed the City Council and Redevelopment Agency and Montclair Housing Corporation Boards.

At 7:28 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey reconvened the City Council and Redevelopment Agency and Montclair Housing Corporation Boards.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. **Mr. Ronald Armstrong**, 5601 Deodar Street, Montclair, commented as follows:

1. He noted he was pleased with City Engineer Hudson's report on the Red Light Camera Enforcement Program at the last meeting. He discussed the citation revenues generated by the program and asked about their disposition.

City Manager McDougal clarified that the program's "capture" rate is at approximately 20 percent of violations recorded and that in recent months the rate has, in fact, increased to almost 30 percent. He noted the citation revenues received by the City as a result of the program depend upon the payment rate of fines. Noting the contractual payments due **Nestor Traffic Systems, Inc.**, each year for the cost and maintenance of the camera equipment, he advised that the Council has directed that any residual revenues be applied to traffic safety-related programs. He added that the Council has suggested studies be made of additional City intersections for inclusion in the program. He emphasized that revenues generated from the program are placed in a special traffic safety fund, not in the City's General Fund.

City Engineer Hudson added that the court receives a percentage of citation revenues.

City Manager McDougal received confirmation from Police Chief Thompson that the City receives less than one third of citation revenues.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey asked staff to supply **Mr. Armstrong** with a copy of the **Nestor Traffic Systems, Inc.** contract.

2. He expressed his understanding that traffic signals' yellow intervals must be timed pursuant to federal guidelines, based upon the distance between traffic signals and the synchronization of successive traffic signals.

City Engineer Hudson clarified that vehicle approach speeds rather than the distances between traffic signals determine

individual traffic signals' yellow intervals. An approach speed of 30 to 35 miles per hour would require a yellow interval of only three-and-one-half seconds, and an approach speed of 45 miles per hour like on Central Avenue would require a four-and-one-half- to five-second yellow interval, he added.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey thanked City Engineer Hudson for his report.

Mr. Armstrong expressed his understanding that traffic signals' yellow intervals are required to be five seconds long pursuant to federal guidelines.

City Engineer Hudson reiterated that traffic signals' yellow intervals are timed according to approach speeds, e.g., a timing of five seconds would not be long enough on a rural highway having an approach speed of 65 to 70 miles per hour, in which case the yellow interval could be six or seven seconds.

Mr. Armstrong thanked City Manager McDougal and City Engineer Hudson for their reports.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey advised **Mr. Armstrong** that City Engineer Hudson would be happy to provide additional information on this issue should **Mr. Armstrong** require further clarification.

At 7:36 p.m., Council Member Ruh arrived at the meeting, noting he arrived at **Ontario International Airport** about 20 minutes ago.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. **Second Reading – Adoption of Ordinance No. 04-846 Adding Section 8.24.030 of the Montclair Municipal Code Pertaining to the Use of Curb Ramps**

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey declared it the time and place set for public hearing to consider Ordinance No. 04-846 adding Section 8.24.030 to the Montclair Municipal Code pertaining to curb ramps and invited comments from the public.

There being no one in the audience wishing to speak, Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey closed the public hearing and returned the matter to the City Council for its consideration.

Moved by Council Member Paulitz and seconded by Council Member Raft that Ordinance No. 04-846, entitled "**An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Montclair Adding Section 8.24.030 to the Montclair Municipal Code Pertaining to the Use of Curb Ramps,**" be read by number and title only, further reading be waived, and this be declared its second reading.

The City Council waived the reading of the Ordinance.

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 04-846 was adopted by the following ROLL CALL vote:

AYES: Ruh, Raft, Paulitz, Dutrey
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Eaton

B. Second Reading – Adoption of Ordinance No. 04-847 Amending Section 9.20.460 of the Montclair Municipal Code Related to the Equivalent Dwelling Unit Value

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey declared it the time and place set for public hearing to consider Ordinance No. 04-847 amending Section 9.20.460 to the Montclair Municipal Code related to the equivalent dwelling unit value and invited comments from the public.

There being no one in the audience wishing to speak, Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey closed the public hearing and returned the matter to the City Council for its consideration.

Moved by Council Member Raft and seconded by Council Member Paulitz that Ordinance No. 04-847, entitled "**An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Montclair Amending Section 9.20.460 of the Montclair Municipal Code Related to the Regional Sewage Supplemental Capital Outlay Fee,**" be read by number and title only, further reading be waived, and this be declared its second reading.

The City Council waived the reading of the Ordinance.

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 04-847 was adopted by the following ROLL CALL vote:

AYES: Ruh, Raft, Paulitz, Dutrey
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Eaton

VIII. CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Raft requested that Item C-3 be removed from the Consent Calendar for comment.

Moved by Council Member/Director Paulitz, seconded by Council Member/Director Raft, and carried to approve the following Consent Items as presented:

A. Approval of Minutes

- 1. Minutes of Adjourned Joint Council/Agency Meeting of April 3, 2004**

The City Council and Redevelopment Agency Board approved the minutes of the Adjourned Joint City Council/Redevelopment Agency Board meeting of April 3, 2004.

2. Minutes of Regular Joint Council/Agency/Montclair Housing Corporation Meeting of April 5, 2004

The City Council and Redevelopment Agency and Montclair Housing Corporation Boards approved the minutes of the Regular Joint City Council/Redevelopment Agency Board/Montclair Housing Corporation Board meeting of April 5, 2004.

B. Administrative Reports

1. Authorizing the Mayor/Chairman to Submit a Vote for or Against the Mosquito Control and Disease Prevention Measure for Disease-Prevention Services to be Provided by the West Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District in the Northern Portions of Montclair and Ontario and the City of Rancho Cucamonga for City- and Agency-Owned Properties

The City Council authorized Mayor/Chairman Eaton to submit a vote for or against the Mosquito Control and Prevention measure for disease-prevention services to be provided by the West Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District in the northern portions of Montclair and Ontario and the City of Rancho Cucamonga for City- and Agency-owned properties.

2. Authorization to Purchase a 2004 Chevrolet Suburban Emergency Command Vehicle

The City Council authorized purchase of a 2004 Chevrolet Suburban emergency command vehicle.

3. Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors' Approval of the Recommendation From the March 31, 2004 Real Estate

Committee Meeting Regarding Neighborhood Partnership Housing Services

Authorization for a \$40,000 Appropriation From the Housing Fund to Conduct an Audit Report

The Redevelopment Agency Board took the following actions:

- (a) Approved the Real Estate Committee's recommendation from its March 31, 2004 meeting to conduct an audit of the Neighborhood Partnership Housing Services' Redevelopment Agency-funded loans.
- (b) Authorized a \$40,000 appropriation from the Housing Fund for the audit report.

4. Approval of Filing of *Notice of Completion*, Reduction of *Faithful Performance Bond* to 10 Percent, and Six-Month Retention of *Payment Bond* Related to Completion of the Essex Park Concession and Restroom Building Project

The City Council approved the following actions related to completion of the Essex Park Concession and Restroom Building Project:

- (a) The filing of a *Notice of Completion* with the Office of the San Bernardino County Recorder.
- (b) Reduction of the *Faithful Performance Bond* to 10 percent.
- (c) Retention of the *Payment Bond* for six months.

5. Approval of Filing of *Notice of Completion*, Reduction of *Faithful Performance Bond* to 10 Percent, and Six-Month Retention of *Payment Bond* Related to Completion of the Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Replacement (HVAC) and Fire Station No. 1 Roof Replacement

The City Council approved the following actions related to completion of the Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Replacement (HVAC) and Fire Station No. 1 Roof Replacement Project:

- (a) The filing of a *Notice of Completion* with the Office of the San Bernardino County Recorder.
- (b) Reduction of the *Faithful Performance Bond* to 10 percent.
- (c) Retention of the *Payment Bond* for six months.

6. Receiving and Filing of City Treasurer's Report

The City Council received and filed the City Treasurer's

Report for the month ending March 31, 2004.

7. Approval of City Warrant Register and Payroll Documentation

The City Council approved the Warrant Register dated April 19, 2004, totaling \$1,144,510.77, and the Payroll Documentation dated March 7, 2004, amounting to \$506,016.16, with \$349,436.79 being the total cash disbursement.

8. Receiving and Filing of Agency Treasurer's Report

The Redevelopment Agency Board received and filed the Redevelopment Agency Treasurer's Report for the month ending March 31, 2004.

9. Approval of Agency Warrant Register

The Redevelopment Agency Board approved the Redevelopment Agency Warrant Register dated 3/01/2004-3/31/2004 in the amounts of \$151.91 for Project I; \$1,012.99 for Project II; \$854,407.00 for Project III; \$36,036.98 for Project IV; and \$87,258.69 for Project V.

10. Receiving and Filing of Montclair Housing Corporation Treasurer's Report

The Montclair Housing Corporation (MHC) Board received and filed the MHC Treasurer's Report for the month ending March 31, 2004.

11. Approval of MHC Warrant Register

The MHC Board approved the MHC Warrant Register dated 3/01/2004-3/31/2004 in the amount of \$13,152.27.

C. Agreements

1. Approval of *Agreement No. 04-43* Amending *Agreement No. 99-95* With Commercial Protective Services, Inc., for Security Guard Services at the Montclair Transcenter

The City Council approved *Agreement No. 04-43* amending *Agreement No. 99-95* with Commercial Protective Services, Inc., for security guard services at the Montclair Transcenter.

2. Approval of *Agreement No. 04-44-I-57*, an *Irrevocable Annexation Agreement* With Warren K. Morgan and Susan R. Morgan for 4733 Howard Street

The City Council approved *Agreement No. 04-44-I-57*, an *Irrevocable Annexation Agreement* with Warren K. Morgan and Susan R. Morgan for an emergency connection of their

residence at 4733 Howard Street to the City Sewer System.

4. Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors' Approval of *Agreement Nos. 04-48 Through 04-53, Rehabilitation Grant Agreements* by and Between the City of Montclair Redevelopment Agency and Exterior Housing Improvement Program Participants

The Redevelopment Agency Board approved *Agreement Nos. 04-48 through 04-53, Rehabilitation Grant Agreements* by and between the City of Montclair Redevelopment Agency and the six Exterior Housing Improvement Program participants listed on Exhibit A to the agenda report on this item.

D. Resolutions

1. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-2502 Authorizing Submittal of Funding Request Form for Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Cleanup to the Department of Conservation, Division of Recycling

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 04-2502 authorizing submittal of funding request form for beverage container

recycling and litter cleanup to the Department of Conservation, Division of Recycling.

2. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-2504 Supporting Efforts of the American Lung Association of California to Reduce Global-Warming Pollution

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 04-2504 supporting efforts of the American Lung Association of California to reduce global-warming pollution.

3. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-2506 Supporting the Local Taxpayers and Public Safety Protection Act

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 04-2506 supporting the Local Taxpayers and Public Safety Protection Act.

IX. PULLED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

C. Agreements

3. Approval of *Agreement No. 04-46* With the California Department of Transportation Division of Rail for Funding for the Ramona Avenue/Union Pacific Railroad Grade Separation Project

Adoption of Resolution No. 04-2505 Authorizing the City Engineer to Execute *Agreement No. 04-46* on Behalf of the City

Council Member Raft noted the importance of this item and asked that staff report on it for the benefit of the public.

City Engineer Hudson reported that the Ramona Avenue/ Union Pacific Railroad Grade Separation Project was ranked high at No. 4 on the California Public Utilities Commission's *Priority List of Grade Separation Projects for Fiscal Year 1999-2000* on June 10, 1999. He noted proposed *Agreement No. 04-46* has been prepared for the project to be funded by October 9, 2004, in the amount of \$4,944,000 and that federal environmental clearance, design of the project, and an agreement between the City and Union Pacific Railroad for construction and maintenance of the at-grade crossing has been executed; and the City is presently in right-of-way appraisal/acquisition with the California Department of Transportation for the project, which will take at least another year to complete. He noted staff's discussions with the state about the proposed project to this point and certain funding issues, including replacement of \$2 million in federal funds to compensate for the state's withdrawal of Transportation Congestion Relief Program funds. He advised that the City can opt to ignore proposed *Agreement No. 04-46*, in which case there is no obligation for the state to provide any

of the funding previously allocated, necessitating the City's renomination of the project through the PUC's grade separation process, adding the City would need to compete against other previously highly ranked projects in the process. He stated that the other alternative would be for the City to enter into proposed *Agreement No. 04-46*, then pursue a contract amendment extending the fund obligation deadline for one year, noting there is a slim chance that such an amendment would be approved by the state.

City Manager McDougal thanked City Engineer Hudson for his comprehensive report.

Council Member Paulitz asked if the \$500,000 contribution the City received in 2002 from the South Coast Air Quality Management District would still be applied to the project.

City Engineer Hudson advised that the funds have already been allocated to the design of the project.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey noted the project would currently be under construction had it not been for lengthy state and federal environmental clearance and noise report delays.

Council Member Ruh concurred, noting he has dealt with such issues in many capacities in his professional life. He noted that these projects become more complex when working with two separate funding agencies in the course of the project, adding it is hoped the federal government will ultimately view both the Los Angeles County/San Gabriel Valley area and San Bernardino County as one regional project area. He advised that in a few weeks he would be in Washington, D.C. on business and he would again be meeting with **Senator Boxer's** staff to further regional Alameda Corridor-East rail crossing projects, noting the rail crossing issue is reaching critical mass. He noted the prediction that by 2020, one 8000-foot train would travel through Pomona's East End crossing every six minutes, resulting in 45-minute north/south traffic queues, if a grade separation is not constructed at the site.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey noted this item relates to the regional need for at-grade crossings and spoke in its support. He stated that depending on the state's budget, the City would need to seriously pursue amending proposed *Agreement No. 04-46* to extend the fund obligation deadline and to impress upon the state the urgency of at-grade crossings in the region.

Moved by Council Member Raft, seconded by Council Member Ruh, and carried that the City Council take the following

actions:

- (a) Approve *Agreement No. 04-46* with the California Department of Transportation Division of Rail for funding for the Ramona Avenue/Union Pacific Railroad Grade Separation Project.
- (b) Adopt Resolution No. 04-2505 authorizing the City Engineer to execute *Agreement No. 04-46* on behalf of the City.

X. RESPONSE – None

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. City Attorney/Agency Counsel – No comments

B. City Manager/Executive Director

- 1. City Manager/Executive Director McDougal announced that Council Member Ruh would be the featured guest speaker on the topic of housing affordability at a **Baldy View Public/Private Coalition (CLOUT)** meeting at 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 22, 2004, at the **Ontario Airport Marriott**, 2200 East Holt Boulevard.

C. Mayor/Chairman – Absent

D. City Council/Agency Board

- 1. Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Dutrey commented as follows:
 - (a) **Announcement of Three (3) Community Action Committee Vacancies**

He announced the terms of Community Action Committee Members Myrna Tuscher, Charlene Kusick, and Mary Fondario would be expiring on June 30, 2004, and that applications for the positions would be available at all City Hall offices beginning Tuesday, April 20, 2004, through Thursday, May 20, 2004.
 - (b) He noted his attendance two Saturdays ago at the City's Easter Egg Hunt and commended Human Services Division staff for the "great job" in facilitating the event.
 - (c) In follow-up to his entreaty at the last meeting for signatures to place the *Local Taxpayers and Public Safety Act* for constitutional protection of local revenues on the November 2004 ballot, he advised that local government leaders of California were successful in filing over 1.1 million signatures to qualify the measure for the

November ballot. He stated that much work lies ahead to ensure the passage of the measure.

2. Member/Director Paulitz commented as follows:
 - (a) He also noted his attendance at the City's Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 10, adding that the Second Annual Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Picnic immediately following was well attended.
 - (b) He noted he also contributed to the signature-gathering efforts for the *Local Taxpayers and Public Safety Act* ballot measure. He expressed his disagreement with an editorial in today's newspaper indicating that cities are allocating funds toward this effort. He assured the public that such is not the case in Montclair and that he did not receive City funding for his signature-gathering efforts. He stated it is about time that residents have a chance to vote to protect local revenues.
 - (c) He noted that he recognized the winner of the **2004 Volunteer of the Year** award, **Mr. Reubsamen**, who used to recharge his blue **General Motors EV1** at the City.
3. Noting that unfortunately by the time she arrived at the Second Annual EMS Picnic it had just ended, Council Member/Director Raft vowed to arrive on time for next year's picnic.
4. Council Member/Director Ruh commented as follows:
 - (a) He noted he was unable to attend the City's Easter Egg Hunt on April 10 because he was at a family event.
 - (b) He noted the following from a meeting he and **California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region**, Chair **Carole Beswick** attended in Sacramento today with **California Environmental Protection Agency** Secretary **Terry Tamminen** and staff regarding the perchlorate issue, a contaminant prevalent in water systems throughout much of Southern California because of the aerospace/pyrotechnic/gun-loading industries:
 - (1) Though the state cleanup standard is for a perchlorate drinking water action level of 6 parts per billion, the Santa Ana region would have a stricter and costlier perchlorate drinking water action level of 4 parts per billion.
 - (2) Building a new water infrastructure is being proposed in the state budget to fund perchlorate cleanup.
 - (3) **Mr. Tamminen** emphasized the need to reduce water consumption throughout the state to be able to continue the quality of life in California.

Council Member/Director Ruh advised they would be meeting again on this matter within the next two weeks. He thanked **Senator Soto** for her leadership in pushing this issue at the state level.

- (c) He noted reading an article in **The Sacramento Bee** newspaper this morning that the Great San Francisco Earthquake took place 98 years ago yesterday. He noted that San Francisco recovered from the disaster to become one of the financial and power centers of the world. He congratulated the residents of San Francisco for all their hard work over the years, adding that there will be a huge celebration in the city in two years to commemorate the disaster. Concerning the prediction that a major earthquake will hit Southern California by September, he stated, "Let's remember, we can always come back."

E. Committee Meeting Minutes

1. Minutes of Public Works Committee Meeting of March 18, 2004

The City Council received and filed the Public Works Committee meeting minutes of March 18, 2004, for informational purposes.

2. Minutes of Real Estate Committee Meeting of March 31, 2004

The City Council received and filed the Real Estate Committee meeting minutes of March 31, 2004, for informational purposes.

3. Minutes of Personnel Committee Meeting of April 5, 2004

The City Council received and filed the Personnel Committee meeting minutes of April 5, 2004, for informational purposes.

XII. COUNCIL/AGENCY WORKSHOP

A. Update on North Montclair Downtown Plan

Moved by Council Member/Director Paulitz, seconded by Council Member/Director Raft, and carried to continue this item to an adjourned joint meeting on Monday, May 3, 2004, at 5:45 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT OF CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND MONTCLAIR HOUSING CORPORATION BOARDS OF DIRECTORS

At 8:03 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Dutrey adjourned the City Council and Redevelopment Agency and Montclair Housing Corporation Boards of Directors in memory of long-time Montclair resident and

supporter of the City **Mr. Clyde W. Wilson**, who passed away on Tuesday, March 16, 2004.

Submitted for City Council/Redevelopment Agency Board/Montclair Housing Corporation Board approval,

Yvonne L. Smith
Transcribing Secretary