

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF THE MONTCLAIR CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND MONTCLAIR HOUSING CORPORATION BOARDS HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2004, AT 6:59 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 5111 BENITO STREET, MONTCLAIR, CALIFORNIA

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor/Chairman Eaton called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m.

II. INVOCATION

Pastor Robert Postell, True Way Baptist Church, gave the Invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

IV. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor/Chairman Eaton; Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Dutrey; Council Members/Directors Paulitz, Raft, and Ruh; 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

Mayor Eaton advised that he would be adjourning tonight's meeting in memory of **President Ronald Reagan**.

V. PRESENTATIONS

A. **Presentation by Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc., of Annual Performance Bonus to Chaffey Joint Union High School District for Use at Montclair High School, Particularly the Environmental Group *Project Earth*, for Its Efforts Related to the School's Recycling and Waste-Diversion Programs**

Mayor Eaton introduced **Mr. Jim Arvan**, Waste and Recycle Consultant, **Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc.**

Mr. Arvan advised that he had the pleasure of presenting the annual performance bonus check for \$1,956 to the **Chaffey Joint Union High School District** last Tuesday to recognize, on behalf of **Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc.**, the continued success of the **Montclair High School (MHS) *Project Earth*** waste-diversion program over the past nine years, led by program advisor **Mr. Ron Mittino**. He asked **Mr. Mittino** to address the *Project Earth* program.

Mr. Mittino noted the Aqua Dome straw-bale dome project at the **Chino Basin Water Conservation District** had been put on hold but is now back on track, adding that plans have been submitted to the City for the project for work to begin this fall. He introduced 2004-05 *Project Earth* President **Natasha Saenz** and Historian **Trish Raya**.

Ms. Raya reported on *Project Earth* activities, including volunteer work at the **Catalina Island Conservancy** nursery, a hike at

Joshua Tree National Park, and school cleanups around the science quad.

Ms. Saenz advised she looks forward to participating in *Project Earth* activities and programs during her term serving as President of the organization.

Mr. Mittino reported that last year, the *Project Earth* group paid for and assisted in refurbishing the science quad at **Montclair High School**, landscaped the area in front of the auditorium, planted a memorial rose garden, and took two excursions to Catalina Island for volunteer work at the **Catalina Island Conservancy**. He spoke of the acceptance of certain graduating senior participants of the group to ivy league colleges and of their instruction to the new *Project Earth* officers to continue with the program's mission. He expressed his appreciation of the students who participate in the *Project Earth* organization.

Mayor Eaton wished the *Project Earth* club members continued success on their program and for the club's continued recycling efforts in future years.

B. Introduction of New Employee

Mayor Eaton introduced **Mrs. Shawn Grinstead**, who was appointed to the position of Police Evidence Clerk effective June 7, 2004. He noted Police Evidence Clerk Grinstead, spouse of Sergeant Tim Grinstead, has worked for the City as a part-time Data Entry Clerk since May 1997.

Mayor Eaton congratulated Police Evidence Clerk Grinstead on her appointment.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. Mr. Maynard Lenhert**, 9858 Ramona Avenue, Montclair, spoke as a representative of the **Monte Vista Water District** regarding the **Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's** emergency shutdown of a portion of the 30-mile Rialto feeder, the main water line serving the West End of San Bernardino County and eastern Los Angeles County. He reported that immediate repairs of a 44-foot section of the line in the **Webb Canyon** area of La Verne are necessary to avoid imminent failure of the facility, necessitating the line's shutdown this morning at 12:01 a.m. through Sunday, June 13, 2004. He indicated that the media would advise should repairs to the line be completed sooner. He stated that though sufficient water would be available to all customers, they are asked to observe conservation measures during this temporary water shortage, including ceasing all outdoor water use and limiting indoor water usage. He noted the **District** certainly appreciates the cooperation of the City of Montclair and the **Ontario-Montclair School District**, two of **MVWD's** large water users. He thanked everyone for cooperating during this temporary situation.

Mayor Eaton thanked **Mr. Lenhert**. He noted that several of his neighbors are adhering to the emergency water-conservation measures and advised that the City would not be watering park and median island landscapes during the week.

Council Member Ruh noted he has turned off his sprinklers until Sunday and that he has advised his neighbors to follow suit. He emphasized that water should continue to be conserved even after the pipeline is repaired.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Receiving and Filing of Testimony for the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension

Mayor Eaton declared it the time and place set for public hearing to receive testimony on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIS/EIR) for the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension and invited comments from the public.

Mr. Habib Balian, Interim Corporate Executive Officer, Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority, gave a slide presentation detailing preliminary environmental work and a project process chart for the proposed 24-mile Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension project, a light-rail system that will connect Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties through 11 corridor cities in the San Gabriel Valley, with Montclair, the 12th corridor city, representing the gateway to San Bernardino County as well as the terminus of the line. He advised that the DEIS/EIR studies the following four alternatives:

1. No-build - Examines other transit projects, including freeway, arterial, and "smart street" improvements.
2. Transportation system management - Examines improvements and enhancements to the bus system, including increasing the frequency of bus services.
3. Light rail to Irwindale, including a proposed location of a light rail maintenance and operations facility on spare acreage at the Miller Brewery.
4. Light rail to the proposed terminus in Montclair - Two potential station sites are being considered.

Mr. Balian advised that the fairly aggressive schedule for the \$1.37 billion project, funding to be provided by federal and local Propositions A and C funds, is as follows: environmental process completed this summer, the preliminary engineering process completed by summer 2005, procurement documents completed by 2006, opening of the segment 1 Irwindale station in 2009, and the final opening of the Montclair station in spring 2014.

Mr. Mark von Wodtke, 510 West Tenth Street, Claremont, spoke as a representative of the Claremont Environmental Design Group, Inc., regarding the organization's support of the proposed project and the need for multimodal (bus, bicycle, and pedestrian) access to the Montclair Metro Gold Line station. He expressed his concern that the Metro Gold Line stations in each of the 12 corridor cities would become surrounded by parking structures and vehicle congestion. He indicated the facilities in each of the communities, particularly in Montclair, which is "auto bound" in the area proposed for the project, would be much more practical with easy multimodal access to nearby shopping and schools.

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

For the record, Council Member Paulitz spoke in opposition to the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension being located north of the Metrolink commuter rail line, advising that doing so would interfere with the proposal to develop the *Pacific Electric Inland Empire/Citrus Trail* regional commuter bikeway adjacent to the **Pacific Electric Railroad** line and within the rail line's right-of-way.

Montclair being the terminus in the design proposal for the Phase II Foothill Extension, he asked about the stacking/turn-around procedures for the rail cars in this project.

Mr. Balian stated there are several alternatives to consider, including stacking trains, installing a tail track, and car switching. With regard to station site placement, he advised that the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority is deferring to the discretion/preference of each city, adding that cities are being encouraged to decide on their station sites by December 2004 for Final Environmental Impact Report purposes.

Council Member Paulitz inquired if new tracks would be laid should the City decide on the northerly site.

Mr. Balian answered, "Yes."

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey expressed his opinion that the station site for the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension should be the southerly location. He commented as follows:

1. He discussed the City's plans for the North Montclair Downtown Plan, a transit-oriented pedestrian-friendly village between the Montclair Transcenter and the Montclair Plaza.
2. He noted the new Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension would benefit the City and entire region.
3. He noted going to a Southern California Association of Governments housing summit at the South Coast Air Quality Management District several weeks ago, at which he learned that approximately 30 percent of those surveyed had expressed an interest in residing in a transit-oriented village.
4. He advised the North Montclair Downtown Plan is an important project for the City and represents an alternative to automobile transportation, forward-looking lifestyle trends, and the future of Montclair.

For the record, Director of Community Development Clark advised the City prefers the southerly route for the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension, identified as Option G in the DEIR, because of the land-use pattern the City is contemplating in the North Montclair Downtown Plan, and the density, particularly in the location of the station, dictates use of the southern track. He indicated a copy of the plan has been submitted for the record.

Council Member Ruh commented as follows:

1. He spoke in enthusiastic support of the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension. He noted he is a frequent traveler on the Pasadena line to Union Station, either for business or entertainment purposes, noting the convenience of not worrying about parking in downtown Los Angeles, an important component of the project. He stated that we should all be supportive of the project in view of the tremendous growth in population projected for the next 20 years in Southern California. He noted attending the Pasadena Gold Line station tours two months ago, adding it is important to note some transit-oriented developments along the route contained 120 units to the acre. He stated that such density is very common in other parts of the country and is a step in the right direction for California.
2. He noted the challenge involved in encouraging the public's use of the line once it is built, which will have a positive outcome on the community. He concurred with

Mr. von Wodtke's comment that the proposed station have easy multimodal access.

3. He emphasized that the cost to the region to not build the new light rail line extension is congestion and health issues associated with long commutes. He noted the positive and beneficial impact it will have on the community.

Mayor Eaton expressed his complete support of the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey, seconded by Council Member Paulitz, and carried unanimously that the Council receive and file testimony related to the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension DEIS/EIR.

Motion carried unanimously as follows:

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

Mayor Eaton thanked the public for attending the public hearing and **Mr. Balian** for his presentation.

Council Member Ruh advised that information related to other scheduled public hearings on the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension DEIS/Environmental Impact Report is available from the City or the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board. He encouraged the community to attend these other public hearings and talk to the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board representatives as well as to visit one of the Pasadena Gold Line stations and do a turn-around to downtown Los Angeles.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey expressed his appreciation to Mayor Eaton for serving on the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board.

Mayor Eaton stated he is happy to serve and to respond to the needs of the residents of San Bernardino County.

B. Second Reading - Ordinance No. 04-848 Establishing a Prezone Designation of R-1(20) to Approximately 11.60 Acres and a Prezone Designation of R-1(11) to Approximately 1.95 Acres Within the City's Sphere of Influence

Mayor Eaton declared it the time and place set for public hearing to consider Ordinance No. 04-848 establishing a prezone designation of R-1(20) to approximately 11.60 acres and a prezone designation of R-1(11) to approximately 1.95 acres within the City's Sphere of Influence and invited comments from the public.

There being no one in the audience wishing to speak, Mayor Eaton 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. 04-848, entitled "**An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Montclair Approving Prezone Designations of R-1(20) (Single-Family Residential, Minimum 20,000-Square-Foot Lot Area) and R-1(11) (Single-Family Residential, Minimum 11,000-Square-Foot Lot Area) Within the City's Sphere of Influence,**" be read by number and title only, further reading be waived, and this be declared its second reading.

The City Council unanimously waived the reading of the Ordinance.

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 04-848 was unanimously adopted by the following ROLL CALL vote:

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

VIII. CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Ruh requested that Item C-2 be removed from the Consent Calendar for comment.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Dutrey, seconded by Council Member/Director Raft, and carried unanimously to approve the following Consent Items as presented:

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes of Regular Joint Council/Agency/Montclair Housing Corporation Meeting of May 17, 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 May 17, 2004.

B. Administrative Reports

1. Setting a Public Hearing to Consider Resolution No. 04-2516 Requesting the Local Agency Formation Commission Initiate Proceedings for Reorganization to Include City of Montclair Annexation No. 24 and Detachment From Monte Vista Fire Protection District

The City Council set a public hearing for Monday, June 21, 2004, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers to consider Resolution No. 04-2516 requesting the Local Agency Formation Commission initiate proceedings for reorganization to include City of Montclair Annexation No. 24 and detachment from Monte Vista Fire Protection District.

2. Authorizing Amendment of the 2003-2007 Capital Improvement Program to Include the Huntington Drive to Arrow Highway Sewer Project

Authorizing a \$120,000 Appropriation From the Sewer Maintenance Fund

Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate With the Property Owner of 4600 Arrow Highway for a Sewer Line Easement

Authorizing the City Manager to Advertise for and Award a Construction Contract for Construction of a Portion of the Huntington Drive to Arrow Highway Sewer Project

The City Council authorized the following actions related to the Huntington Drive to Arrow Highway Sewer Project:

- (a) Amendment of the 2003-2007 Capital Improvement Program to include the project.

- (b) A \$120,000 appropriation from the Sewer Maintenance Fund.
 - (c) The City Manager to negotiate with the property owner of 4600 Arrow Highway for a sewer line easement.
 - (d) The City Manager to advertise for and award a construction contract for the construction of a portion of the project.
3. **Authorization to Transfer \$4,453 From the Building Maintenance Materials-Buildings Account and \$1,000 From the Street Maintenance Small Equipment Account to the Street Maintenance Transportation and Work Equipment Capital Outlay Account for Purchase of One Utility Hydraulic and Load Trailer**

Authorization to Purchase One Utility Hydraulic and Load Trailer From United Rentals

The City Council authorized the following actions related to the purchase of one utility hydraulic and load trailer:

- (a) Transfer of \$4,453 from the Building Maintenance Materials-Buildings Account and \$1,000 from the Street Maintenance Small Equipment Account to the Street Maintenance Transportation and Work Equipment Capital Outlay Account.
 - (b) Purchase of the utility hydraulic and load trailer from United Rentals.
4. **Authorization of a \$14,000 Appropriation From the Contingency Account to the Public Works Vehicle Maintenance Division for Vehicle Maintenance and Repair**

The City Council authorized a \$14,000 appropriation from the Contingency Account to the Public Works Vehicle Maintenance Division for vehicle maintenance and repairs, including repairs and maintenance of Police Department vehicles.

5. **Grant of Easement for Electrical Facilities to Southern California Edison**

The City Council granted an easement to Southern California Edison for installation of an underground electrical vault and above ground fuse cabinet on City-owned property in conjunction with Tract No. 16381 (former Margarita School site).

6. **Authorization to Advertise for Bid Proposals for Traffic Signal Modifications at the Holt Boulevard/Vernon Avenue Intersection**

The City Council authorized the advertisement of bid proposals for traffic signal modifications at the Holt Boulevard/Vernon Avenue intersection.

7. **Approval of City Warrant Register and Payroll Documentation**

The City Council approved the Warrant Register dated June 7, 2004, totaling \$975,985.97, and the Payroll Documentation dated April 18, 2004, amounting to \$513,465.84, with \$354,178.20 being the total cash disbursement.

C. Agreements

1. **Approval of Agreement No. 04-71-I-58, an Irrevocable Annexation Agreement With Eleazar Soto and Cristela Soto for 11274 College Avenue**

The City Council approved *Agreement No. 04-71-I-58*, an *Irrevocable Annexation Agreement* with Eleazar Soto and Cristela Soto for 11274 College Avenue.

3. **Approval of Agreement No. 04-73 Amending Agreement No. 01-102 Between the City of Montclair and the City of Ontario for Fire Service Dispatching and Communication Services**

The City Council approved *Agreement No. 04-73* amending *Agreement No. 01-102* between the City of Montclair and the City of Ontario for fire service dispatching and communication services.

4. **Approval of Agreement No. 04-74-I-59, an Irrevocable Annexation Agreement With Chau Van Nguyen and My Thi Ho for 4715 Howard Street**

The City Council approved *Agreement No. 04-74-I-59*, an *Irrevocable Annexation Agreement* with Chau Van Nguyen and My Thi Ho for emergency connection of their property at 4715 Howard Street to the City Sewer System.

5. **Approval of Tract Map No. 16484 Located at 4961-4985 Howard Street Generally South of Howard Street and East of Monte Vista Avenue**

Approval of Agreement No. 04-75, a Subdivision Agreement With Bade Construction Co., Inc., for Tract Map No. 16484

Authorizing the City Engineer to Reduce and Release Payment and Performance Bonds Upon Satisfactory Completion of Improvements Within the Public Rights-of-Way

The City Council took the following actions:

- (a) Approved Tract Map No. 16484 located at 4961-4985 Howard Street generally south of Howard Street and east of Monte Vista Avenue.
- (b) Approved *Agreement No. 04-75*, a *Subdivision Agreement* with Bade Construction Co., Inc., for Tract Map No. 16484.
- (c) Authorized the City Engineer to reduce and release payment and performance bonds upon satisfactory completion of improvements within the public rights-of-way.

D. Resolutions

1. **Adoption of Resolution No. 04-2509 Fixing the Salaries for Certain City Employees Represented by the San Bernardino Public Employees Association**

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 04-2509 fixing the salaries for certain City employees represented by the San Bernardino Public Employees Association.

2. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-2510 Fixing the Salaries for Certain Police Department Employees Represented by the Montclair Police Officers Association

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 04-2510 fixing the salaries for certain Police Department employees represented by the Montclair Police Officers Association.

3. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-2511 Fixing the Salaries for Certain Fire Department Employees Represented by the Montclair Fire Fighters Association

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 04-2511 fixing the salaries for certain Fire Department employees represented by the Montclair Fire Fighters Association.

4. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-2512 Fixing the Salaries for Certain Management Employees Represented by the City Manager

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 04-2512 fixing the salaries for certain management employees represented by the City Manager.

5. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-2513 Fixing the Salaries for Certain Part-Time Employees Not Represented by Formally Recognized Employee Organizations

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 04-2513 fixing the salaries for certain part-time employees not represented by formally recognized employee organizations.

6. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-2517 Authorizing Approval of the Change in Population in San Bernardino County During 2003 for the Purpose of Calculating the Gann Spending Limit for Fiscal Year 2004-05

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 04-2517 authorizing approval of the change in population in San Bernardino County during 2003 for the purpose of calculating the Gann Spending Limit for Fiscal Year 2004-05.

7. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-2518 Authorizing Approval of the Percentage Change in Montclair Nonresidential New Construction During Fiscal Year 2002-03 as the Final Fiscal Year 2002-03 Change in the Cost-of-Living Factor Used in Calculating the Gann Spending Limit for Fiscal Year 2004-05 and the Percentage Change in California Per Capita Personal Income for Calendar Year 2003 as a Provisional Fiscal Year 2003-04 Change in the Cost-of-Living Factor Used in Calculating the Gann Spending Limit for Fiscal Year 2004-05

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 04-2518 authorizing approval of the percentage change in Montclair nonresidential new construction during Fiscal Year 2002-03 as the final Fiscal Year 2002-03 change in the cost-of-living factor used in calculating the Gann Spending Limit for Fiscal Year 2004-05 and the percentage change in California per capita personal income for Calendar Year 2003 as a provisional Fiscal Year 2003-04 change in the cost-of-living factor used in calculating the Gann Spending Limit for Fiscal Year 2004-05.

8. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-2520 Authorizing Placement of Liens on Certain Properties for Delinquent Sewer and Trash Charges

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 04-2520 authorizing placement of liens on the properties listed on Exhibit A to Resolution No. 04-2520 for delinquent sewer and trash charges.

IX. PULLED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

C. Agreements

2. Approval of *Agreement No. 04-72 With Ontario-Montclair School District for Development of Soccer Fields at Montera Elementary School*

Authorize the City Manager to Execute *Agreement No. 04-72 on Behalf of the City*

Council Member Ruh stated he is very glad to see this item come before the City Council, noting the overcrowding conditions at the Anthony Muñoz Hall of Fame Park, Ontario. He added that Montclair residents **Terry** and **Joan Singleton**, who are both very involved in the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO), have actively supported the development of new soccer fields in the City.

Council Member Ruh inquired if the new facilities would be open in the evening or only during school hours.

City Engineer Hudson advised the hours of operation for the new soccer fields are specified in the agreement, adding the only time the fields would not be available to the public is during school hours.

Council Member Ruh stated he is pleased the AYSO would have weekend access to the new soccer fields.

Moved by Council Member Ruh and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey that the City Council take the following actions:*

- (a) Approve *Agreement No. 04-72* with Ontario-Montclair School District for development of soccer fields at Montera Elementary School.
- (b) Authorize the City Manager to execute *Agreement No. 04-72* on behalf of the City.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey asked if the new facilities would be available this time next year.

City Engineer Hudson stated there is a real possibility they might, given the limited amount of work to be done. He noted the Ontario-Montclair School District Board has already approved *Agreement No. 04-72* and that staff would be preparing and submitting a package to the state by the end of the month.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey stated he is happy that new soccer fields will soon be available in the community for public use.

*Motion carried as follows:

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

X. RESPONSE – None

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. City Attorney/Agency Counsel - No comments
- B. City Manager/Executive Director - No comments
- C. Mayor/Chairman

1. Mayor/Chairman Eaton commented as follows:

- (a) He noted his attendance at the Community Action Committee's **Memorial Day** event on Monday, May 31, 2004, that was attended by about 150 participants. He stated that 12 women military veterans from the region were honored.
- (b) He noted his attendance Thursday evening at the **Esperanza Scholarship Foundation Dollars for Scholars** dinner. He stated he is pleased that the organization is doing so well.

D. City Council/Agency Board

- 1. Council Member/Director Paulitz noted that two **World War II** veterans are in attendance at tonight's meeting: **Mr. Maynard Lenhart** and himself.
- 2. Council Member/Director Raft expressed her regret at not being able to attend the CAC-sponsored **Memorial Day** event. She stated she is glad to see attendance at the event increasing each year and that she looks forward to attending next year.
- 3. Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Dutrey commented as follows:
 - (a) He also expressed his regret at not being able to attend the CAC-sponsored **Memorial Day** event. He thanked the CAC and staff for their efforts in facilitating the event.
 - (b) He noted his attendance with Mayor Eaton and staff at the **International Council of Shopping Centers** trade show last month in Las Vegas and reported on the following:
 - (1) The City of Montclair was showcased to developers and retailers.
 - (2) The future of the **Montclair Plaza** was addressed with representatives of **General Growth Properties, Inc.**
 - (3) Discussions were held with representatives of **Lewis Group of Companies** and other companies regarding the North Montclair Downtown Plan transit village.
 - (4) Discussions were held with the property owners of the former **House2Home** site regarding a proposal to locate a **John's Incredible Pizza** restaurant in a portion of the building.
 - (5) Discussions were held with the property owners of the **Comp USA** shopping center about the future of the center.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey noted the overall success of the City's participation in the trade show and the plans for Mayor Eaton and him to attend again next year.

- (c) He noted the passing on Saturday, June 5, 2004, of **President Ronald Reagan**, whom he considers an American hero. He noted that though he never had a chance to personally meet **President Reagan**, he did see him three times, twice in 1988 and once in 1990 when the **President** campaigned on behalf of **Governor Pete Wilson**. He noted voting to reelect **President Reagan** in the 1984 Presidential election, the first election in which he was able to vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey related the well-known anecdote of **Mayor Emeritus Harold M. Hayes'** (serving as President of the **League of California Cities**) introduction of then-**Governor Ronald Reagan** as "**President Ronald Reagan**" at a 1972 **League** conference dinner, after which **Governor Reagan** replied, "Thank you, **President Hayes**."

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey expressed his opinion that **President Reagan** will be known for the following three great things: (1) for elevating the spirits of the American people during troubled times; (2) for strengthening the economy; and (3) for defeating the Cold War. He stated that **President Reagan's** most famous words were during his remarks at the **Brandenburg Gate**, West Berlin, Germany, on June 12, 1987, when he demanded, "Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall!" He noted that State Department and **National Security Council** staff and Chief of Staff **Howard H. Baker** strongly advised **President Reagan** against including such an unduly inflammatory remark. But **President Reagan** liked the passage and it remained in his address.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey stated that **President Reagan** will always be remembered for being a very kind, gentle, humble person, as one who had a vision for this country as well as one of the greatest American Presidents of the 20th century, along with **President Franklin Delano Roosevelt**.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey concluded his remarks by stating, "So long, Gipper; thank you very much for all the great things you did for this country and for the planet."

4. Council Member/Director Ruh commented as follows:

- (a) He thanked the CAC for all its hard work in facilitating the wonderful **Memorial Day** event, which was well-attended by veterans of **World War II, Korea, Vietnam, and Desert Storm** and community members.

Council Member Ruh noted the attendance at the event of **Ms. Opal Briggs**, the sixth woman ever hired by **Northrup Industries**, who worked for the company for 42 years. He noted that though thought of as unusual at the time, women across the country began working in defense industries and support services during **World War II**, including shipyards, steel mills, foundries, lumber mills, warehouses, offices, hospitals, and day-care centers.

Council Member Ruh noted the service was special to him because only two weeks before he visited the new **National World War II Memorial** in Washington, D.C., a very moving experience. He thanked all who were involved in its development.

- (b) He thanked **Assembly Member McLeod** for voting in support of the following two assembly bills that benefit

residents of common interest developments run by homeowners associations: **AB 2598 (Steinberg) – Common Interest Developments**, which prevents nonjudicial foreclosures, and **AB 2718 (Laird) – Common Interest Developments**, which mandates full financial disclosure to residents. He noted these bills would particularly benefit senior residents of such developments.

- (c) He also noted his attendance at the **Esperanza Scholarship Foundation Dollars for Scholars** dinner. He complimented his friend and **Foundation President Alex Espinoza** on the great job in facilitating the event as well as his work for the organization.
- (d) He noted his attendance last Friday as the guest of **Foothill Family Shelter President Darrell Brown** at a tribute to **Mr. Dan Richards**, an outstanding individual who was named the organization's "Man of the Year." He thanked **Mr. Richards** for all the work he does for the organization and the community.
- (e) He commented on the passing of **President Reagan**, who left a tremendous and lasting legacy in America, particularly his influence to end of the Cold War. He noted that several commentators have stated, "The world of politics will be measured 'before Reagan' and 'after Reagan.'" He noted that the sentiments of many friends he spoke to last weekend, both here and in Washington, D.C., some liberal, some conservative, are that **President Reagan's** mark on American will be felt for a long, long time.

Council Member Ruh offered the following quotation from **William Shakespeare's Twelfth Night** as a fitting tribute to **President Reagan**:

Be not afraid of greatness: Some men are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them.

Council Member Ruh stated that **President Reagan** had greatness thrust upon him in facing tremendous challenges and difficulties. He advised that **President Jimmy Carter** commented on **President Reagan's** strong ability to communicate to the American people. He expressed his belief that long after we are gone, American students are going to study **Ronald Reagan's** presidency much as we do the presidencies of **Franklin Roosevelt** or **Abraham Lincoln**.

Council Member Ruh noted he was very fortunate to have met **President Reagan** on several occasions. He noted the first time they met, **President Reagan** was campaigning at the **Claremont Colleges** before his first election to office. He further noted he will never forget meeting **President Reagan** on several occasions at the **White House**.

Council Member Ruh stated the best way to describe **President Reagan** is by the following words he himself wrote for his tombstone:

I know in my heart that man is good, that what is right will always eventually triumph, and

there's a purpose and worth to each and every life.

Council Member Ruh noted that **President Reagan's** family's struggles to cope during his ten-year battle with Alzheimer's certainly brought the disease to the forefront of American consciousness. He stated that our prayers and sympathies are with the **Reagan** family and that America is united in the recognition of the **Reagan** family for their strength in coping with the **President's** illness.

E. Committee Meeting Minutes

1. Minutes of Personnel Committee Meeting of May 17, 2004

The City Council received and filed the Personnel Committee meeting minutes of May 17, 2004, for informational purposes.

XII. ANNUAL BUDGET MEETINGS

A. Review of City Council Fiscal Year 2004-05 Preliminary Budget, Redevelopment Agency Fiscal Year 2004-05 Preliminary Budget, and Montclair Housing Corporation Fiscal Year 2004-05 Preliminary Budget

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Dutrey, seconded by Council Member/Director Raft, and carried unanimously to continue this item to an adjourned joint meeting on Tuesday, June 15, 2004, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

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

At 8:02 p.m., Mayor/Chairman Eaton adjourned the City Council and Redevelopment Agency and Montclair Housing Corporation Boards of Directors to Tuesday, June 15, 2004, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers in memory of **President Ronald Wilson Reagan**.

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

Yvonne L. Smith
Transcribing Secretary