

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF
THE MONTCLAIR CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVEL-
OPMENT AGENCY AND MONTCLAIR HOUSING
CORPORATION BOARDS HELD ON MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 5, 2007, AT 7:00 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 7:00 p.m. and asked that everyone please silence their cell phones, pagers, and other electronic devices as a courtesy to others while the meeting is in session.

II. INVOCATION

Mayor/Chairman Eaton gave the Invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member/Director Paulitz 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

V. PRESENTATIONS

A. Presentation by Monte Vista Water District to Montclair High School Students and City Employees for Volunteering at the District's Recent Water Fair

Mr. Justin Scott-Coe, Public Affairs Specialist, **Monte Vista Water District (MVWD)**, recognized **Montclair High School** students **Wendy Cordera**, **Nathanael Fitzpatrick** (demonstrating the MVWD "water drop" mascot costume), **Marty Linan**, **Marjory Vazquez**, and **Lizeth Verni** along with Environmental Manager Nicole Greene and Accounting Supervisor Roxaynn Robinson (in absentia) for

volunteering to assist at the October 20, **2007 Water Fair** at the **Montclair Plaza**. He also recognized **MVWD** Board President **Sandra S. Rose**, Vice President Maynard Lenhart, and Public Affairs Director **Mary Ann Melleby** who are in attendance at tonight's meeting.

Mr. Scott-Coe advised that the **Water Fair**, organized by 22 local water agencies, is held each year to promote water-conservation education, water-efficient technology, and water-saving appliance rebates. He added that the Council would be considering adoption of a Resolution this evening to encourage residents and businesses to help drought-proof the Chino Groundwater Basin by participating in the "20-Gallon Challenge" and "Watch the Water" awareness programs for voluntary water conservation in an effort to preserve our most precious natural resource. He noted **MVWD** boasted the largest group of volunteers from any individual water agency service area.

Mayor Eaton thanked **Mr. Scott-Coe** for his presentation and the students and Environmental Manager Greene and Accounting Supervisor Robinson for their volunteer assistance at the event.

B. Presentation of \$10,000 Check by Southern California Edison to the Hope Through Housing Foundation for an After-School Program at San Antonio Vista Apartments

Mr. Ray Hicks, Region Manager, Local Public Affairs, **Southern California Edison**, advised the Council that former Region Manager **Jerry Silva** has been appointed to Facility Site Supervisor and that Region Manager **Neil Derry** and him have been assigned to cover **Mr. Silva's** cities in the eastern region and would be available to assist the City with any **Edison** issues or concerns.

Mr. Hicks stated that one of **Edison's** goals is to support local communities and their efforts to maintain positive educational experiences for youth. He noted the educational system today is very different than it was 20 or 30 years ago and that many of those changes are causative as the Internet age has brought new educational opportunities and broadened world communication. Yet not all our youth have the same opportunities for these educational resources and, at the same time, continue to be faced with tough decisions on a daily basis. The opportunities the **Hope Through Housing Foundation** provides for these youth to gain access to educational enrichment, caring adult role models, and positive peer interaction are tremendous assets to our community. **Mr. Hicks** advised that **Edison** is thrilled to be a part of the **After School and Beyond Program** to be conducted at the beautiful new community/learning center at the **San Antonio Vista Apartments**, which had its grand opening this morning.

Mr. Hicks presented a \$10,000 check to **Mr. George Searcy**, Executive Director, **Hope Through Housing Foundation**, to assist in staffing the **Foundation's** after-school computer program at the **San Antonio Vista Apartments'** new community/learning center.

Mr. Searcy accepted the check and thanked **Mr. Hicks**, expressing the gratitude of the **Foundation** for the contribution. He noted both the **Hope Through Housing Foundation** and **National Community Renaissance** are proud to now be members of the Montclair community through the new **San Antonio Vista Apartments**. He advised that the **Foundation** is pleased to be conducting after-school computer and academic-improvement programs at the new learning center.

Mayor Eaton stated, "That is tremendous. Thank you so much."

Mr. Hicks thanked Mayor Eaton, stating, "We look forward to more partnerships in the community."

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. **Mr. Maynard Lenhart**, 9858 Ramona Avenue, Montclair, spoke as a representative of the **West Valley Mosquito and Vector Control**. Noting the downturn in the economy that has caused an increase in vacated homes, he asked those who notice residences with unmaintained swimming pools to please notify Code Enforcement and the **West Valley Mosquito and Vector Control**. He reported that red imported fire ants have been identified in Chino Hills and 20 other Southern California cities (mostly located in Orange County) and asked that the public likewise notify the **West Valley Mosquito and Vector Control** should they happen to spot these and other exotic pests. He gave the Council vector control literature.

Mayor Eaton thanked **Mr. Lenhart**, advising that Code Enforcement regularly abates unmaintained swimming pools.

- B. **Mr. Kenneth Mock**, Homeowner's Association Chairman, **Monterey Manor Mobile Home Estates**, 11250 Ramona Avenue, Space 216, Montclair, thanked the Council for its service to the community. He identified himself as the newly elected Chairman of the **Monterey Manor Mobile Home Estates** Homeowners Association and noted the park recently implemented a **Neighborhood Watch** program. On behalf of the Association, he invited the Council to the park's Thanksgiving dinner on Saturday, November 10, 2007, at 6:30 p.m. in the clubhouse.

Mayor Eaton thanked **Mr. Mock** for the invitation.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. **First Reading – Adoption of Ordinance No. 07-899 Amending Specified Chapters of Title 10 of the Montclair Municipal Code and Adopting by Reference the 2007 Edition of the California Building Code, Volumes 1 and 2; the 2007 Edition of the California Electrical Code; the 2007 Edition of the California Mechanical Code; and the 2007 Edition of the California Plumbing Code; Together With Certain Amendments, Additions, Deletions, and Exceptions Including Fees and Penalties**

Mayor Eaton declared it the time and place for a public hearing to consider the first reading of Ordinance No. 07-899 amending specified Chapters of Title 10 of the Montclair Municipal Code and adopting by reference the 2007 Edition of the California Building Code, Volumes 1 and 2, and the 2007 Editions of the California Electrical, Mechanical, and the Plumbing Codes; together with certain amendments, additions, deletions, and exceptions including fees and penalties 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.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey asked whom would be qualified to serve on the Board of Appeals should one be established.

Director of Community Development Clark responded that typically Building Officials and qualified staff from other cities are asked to serve on such Boards of Appeals.

Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey thanked Director of Community Development Clark.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey and, seconded by Council Member Raft that Ordinance No. 07-899 entitled, "**An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Montclair Amending Specified Chapters of Title 10 of the Montclair Municipal Code and Adopting by Reference the 2007 Editions of the California Building Code, Volumes 1 and 2; the 2007 Edition of the California Electrical Code; the 2007 Edition of the California Mechanical Code; and the 2007 Edition of the California Plumbing Code; Together With Certain Amendments, Additions, Deletions, and Exceptions Including Fees and Penalties,**" be read by number and title only, further reading be waived, and this be declared its first reading.

The City Council unanimously waived the reading of the Ordinance.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 07-899 was unanimously adopted by the following vote:

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

B. First Reading – Adoption of Ordinance No. 07-900 Related to Adoption of the 2007 Edition of the California Fire Code

Mayor Eaton declared it the time and place for a public hearing to consider the first reading of Ordinance No. 07-900 related to adoption of the 2007 edition of the California Fire Code 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 Ruh and, seconded by Council Member Paulitz that Ordinance No. 07-900 entitled, "**An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Montclair Amending Specified Chapters of Title 10 of the Montclair Municipal Code and Adopting by Reference the 2007 Edition of the California Fire Code, Together With Certain Amendments, Additions, Deletions, and Exceptions Including Fees and Penalties,**" be read by number and title only, further reading be waived, and this be declared its first reading.

The City Council unanimously waived the reading of the Ordinance.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 07-900 was unanimously adopted by the following vote:

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

C. Receiving Public Comment on Allocation and Expenditure of State Supplemental Local Law Enforcement Services Funds

Mayor Eaton declared it the time and place for a public hearing to receive public comment on allocation and expenditure of State Supplemental Local Law Enforcement Services Funds 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 Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey and seconded by Council Member Ruh that a public hearing was duly conducted to receive public comment on the allocation of State Supplemental Local Law Enforcement Services funds to purchase the following patrol services equipment:

Mobile Video Recorders (12)	\$ 88,700
Forensic Recovery of Evidence Device (FRED)	8,400
Sokkia Measuring/Mapping Device Upgrade	<u>\$ 2,900</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$100,000</u>

Motion carried unanimously as follows:

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

VIII. CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Paulitz requested that Item C-5 be removed from the Consent Calendar for comment.

Council Member Raft requested that Item C-6 be removed from the Consent Calendar for comment.

Council Member Ruh requested that Item D-1 be removed from the Consent Calendar for comment.

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

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of Adjourned Joint Council/Agency Meeting of October 1, 2007

The City Council and Redevelopment Agency Board approved the minutes of the Adjourned Joint City Council/Redevelopment Agency Board meeting of October 1, 2007.

2. Approval of Regular Joint Council/Agency/Montclair Housing Corporation Meeting of October 15 2007

The City Council and Redevelopment Agency/Montclair Housing Corporation Boards approved the minutes of the Regular Joint City Council/Redevelopment Agency Board/Montclair Housing Corporation Board meeting of October 15 2007.

B. Administrative Reports

1. Approval of Filing of *Notice of Completion*, Reduction of *Faithful Performance Bond*, and Retention of *Payment Bond* for Six Months for Completion of the Foundation Area 12 Alley Improvement Project

Authorization of an Additional \$38,350 Appropriation From the Redevelopment Agency 1995 Tax Allocation Bond Proceeds Fund for the Foundation Area 12 Alley Improvement Project

The City Council approved the following regarding completion of the Foundation Area 12 Alley Improvement Project:

- (a) Filing of a *Notice of Completion*.
- (b) Reduction of the *Faithful Performance Bond* to 10 percent.
- (c) Retention of the *Payment Bond* for six months.
- (d) An additional \$38,350 appropriation from the Redevelopment Agency 1995 Tax Allocation Bond Proceeds Fund to pay the construction shortfall resulting from project quantity adjustments and project scope of services modifications.

2. Approval of Filing of *Notice of Completion*, Reduction of *Faithful Performance Bond*, and Retention of *Payment Bond* for Six Months for Completion of the Mission Boulevard Phase 4 Improvement Project

The City Council approved the following regarding completion of the Mission Boulevard Phase 4 Improvement Project:

- (a) Filing of a *Notice of Completion*.
- (b) Reduction of the *Faithful Performance Bond* to 10 percent.
- (c) Retention of the *Payment Bond* for six months.

3. Declaring Certain City Property and Unclaimed Property as Surplus and Available for Auction

The City Council declared certain City property and unclaimed property in police custody as surplus and available for auction.

4. "No Action" on Alcoholic Beverage Permit Application – Taqueria Mi Mexico

The City Council voted "No action" on the "On-Sale Beer and Wine" application of Mr. Homero Herminio Campos for Taqueria Mi Mexico, 5110 Holt Boulevard, Montclair, California.

5. Approval of City Warrant Register and Payroll Documentation

The City Council approved the City Warrant Register dated November 5, 2007, totaling \$1,753,392.47 and the Payroll Documentation dated September 2, 2007, amounting to \$654,360.98, with \$458,467.86 being the total cash disbursement.

C. Agreements

1. Approval of *Agreement No. 07-115* With The Liquidation Company for the Public Sale of Surplus and Unclaimed Property

The City Council approved *Agreement No. 07-115* with The Liquidation Company for the public sale of surplus and unclaimed property.

2. Approval of *Agreement No. 07-116* With PropertyRoom.com, Inc., for Internet Auction of Surplus and Unclaimed Property

The City Council approved *Agreement No. 07-116* with PropertyRoom.com, Inc., for Internet auction of surplus and unclaimed property.

3. Approval of *Master Agreement No. 07-119* by and Between the West End Communications Authority (WECA) and the County of San Bernardino to Integrate Facilities and Equipment Owned by WECA Into the County's Emergency Communications Network

Approval of *Agreement No. 07-120* by and Between the City of Montclair and the County for Equipment Maintenance and Access to the County's Emergency Radio Communications Network

The City Council approved the following:

(a) *Master Agreement No. 07-119* by and between WECA and the County to integrate facilities and equipment owned by WECA into the County's emergency communications network.

(b) *Agreement No. 07-120* by and between the City of Montclair and the County for equipment maintenance

and access to the County's emergency radio communications network.

4. Approval of *Agreement No. 07-121 With Bilingual Family Counseling Services to Provide Case-Management and Mental Health Services*

The City Council approved *Agreement No. 07-121* with Bilingual Family Counseling Services to provide case-management and mental health services.

7. Approval of *Agreement No. 07-125 With L. D. King, Inc., for Construction Engineering and Support Services for the Ramona Avenue/Union Pacific Railroad Grade Separation Project*

The City Council approved *Agreement No. 07-125* with L. D. King, Inc., for construction engineering and support services for the Ramona Avenue/Union Pacific Railroad Grade Separation Project.

D. Resolutions

2. Adoption of Resolution No. 07-2716 Authorizing Placement of Liens on Certain Properties for Delinquent Sewer and Trash Accounts

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 07-2716 authorizing placement of liens for delinquent sewer and trash charges on the 170 accounts listed on Exhibit A to Resolution No. 07-2716.

3. Adoption of Resolution No. 07-2717 Approving the Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) Development Plan and Schedule

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 07-2717 approving the Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) Development Plan and Schedule.

IX. PULLED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

C. Agreements

5. Approval of *Agreement No. 07-122, a Funding and Administrative Services Agreement by and Between the City of Montclair Redevelopment Agency and Neighborhood Partnership Housing Services*

Approval of Agreement No. 07-123, a Trust Agreement for Handling of Funds Related to the City of Montclair

Redevelopment Agency's Housing Loan and Grant Programs by and Between the City of Montclair Redevelopment Agency and Neighborhood Partnership Housing Services

Approve Neighborhood Partnership Housing Services Program and Service Guidelines for City of Montclair Redevelopment Agency Housing Loans and Grants

Director Paulitz inquired as follows:

- (a) What is the rationale behind the proposed \$20,000 disbursement by the Agency each fiscal year into the Safe Homes for Seniors Grant Program? In the past, funds would be disbursed when expense were incurred. Would unused funds be returned to the Agency at the end of each fiscal year?

Director of Redevelopment/Public Works Staats responded that the purpose of the lump-sum disbursement is so that relatively small \$1,000 grants can conveniently be given to senior residents qualifying for the program without the Redevelopment Agency's having to issue numerous checks. She advised that funds remaining in the program account at the end of the year would be returned to the Agency.

- (b) Who would be authorized to issue checks against the three Redevelopment Agency bank accounts proposed to be utilized for the housing loan and grants programs?

Director of Redevelopment/Public Works Staats replied that presumably the Neighborhood Partnership Housing Services (NPHS) Executive Director would be authorized to issue checks.

- (c) What is the legality of another agency issuing checks against Redevelopment Agency bank accounts?

Director of Redevelopment/Public Works Staats advised that the bank accounts would be joint accounts having the names of both the Redevelopment Agency and NPHS.

- (d) How was the \$315,000 allocation to home rehabilitation loans and the Safe Homes for Seniors Program in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Redevelopment Agency Budget derived?

Director of Redevelopment/Public Works Staats replied that she estimated how much might be needed to

provide program funding through the remainder of the fiscal year.

Moved by Director Paulitz and seconded by Director Ruh that the Redevelopment Agency Board approve the following:*

- (a) *Agreement No. 07-122, a Housing Services Funding and Administrative Services Agreement* by and between the City of Montclair Redevelopment Agency and Neighborhood Partnership Housing Services.
- (b) *Agreement No. 07-123, a Trust Agreement for Handling of Funds Related to the City of Montclair Redevelopment Agency's Housing Loan and Grant Programs* by and between the City of Montclair Redevelopment Agency and Neighborhood Partnership Housing Services.
- (c) The Neighborhood Partnership Housing Services Program and Service Guidelines for City of Montclair Redevelopment Agency Housing Loans and Grants.

Vice Chairman Dutrey commented as follows:

- (a) He asked that Item 11 under *Minimum Standards* of the "City of Montclair Redevelopment Agency-Funded Eligible and Ineligible Rehabilitation Items and Minimum Standards" of the "Montclair Home Improvement Loan Underwriting Guidelines" be revised as follows:

11. Loans cannot be made to residential dwellings containing nonpermitted room additions or structures: that are not abated through the loan.

- (b) He noted Chairman Eaton and he had served on the Neighborhood Partnership of Montclair Board for several years and observed the organization's change in its mission during that time to expand its program to include communities outside of Montclair, which resulted in fewer home-improvement loan opportunities for our residents. He stated that he is pleased with the proposed reinstatement of low-interest-rate home-rehabilitation loan programs and implementation of the Safe Homes for Seniors Program for Montclair residents.
- (c) He recognized **Sandra Rose**, Board President of NPHS and Monte Vista Water District, and NPHS Executive Director **Jed Davis** for his leadership in the organization.

Chairman Eaton concurred, noting he is pleased to reestablish a good working relationship with NPHS.

*Motion carried unanimously as follows:

AYES: Ruh, Raft, Paulitz, Dutrey, Eaton

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

6. Approval of *Agreement No. 07-124* With Graffiti Tracker, Inc., to Establish a Graffiti Protocol and Database for Tracking and Analysis

Council Member Raft noted graffiti continues to be a recurring problem in the community and has become very costly to abate. She recognized Graffiti Abatement Workers Hank Merenda and Dave Bostic for the "tremendous" job they do to immediately abate graffiti incidents. She asked for clarification on the proposed graffiti analysis and tracking services program for the benefit of the public.

Police Chief Thompson advised that staff would photograph graffiti using cameras equipped with global-positioning system technology and upload the photographs to Graffiti Tracker, Inc., where they would be analyzed and categorized for reference and the data stored in the Graffiti Tracker web-based system database. He stated that staff would have access to the database to determine patterns of graffiti incidents in order to increase enforcement efforts in those areas.

Council Member Raft thanked Chief Thompson. She noted how important the proposed program would be for the community in reducing this growing social ailment.

Moved by Council Member Raft, seconded by Council Member Paulitz, and carried unanimously to approve *Agreement No. 07-124* with Graffiti Tracker, Inc., to establish a graffiti protocol and database for tracking and analysis.

D. Resolutions

1. Adoption of Resolution No.07-2715 Adopting the "20-Gallon Challenge" and "Watch the Water" Awareness Program for Voluntary Water Conservation

Council Member Ruh advised that the public needs to understand the importance of taking the Inland Empire Utilities Agency's challenge to encourage every household to reduce water consumption by 20 gallons or more per day. He

noted the simple measures that can be done to reduce water consumption. He suggested residents who have noticed a tremendous decrease in water usage could present their strategies to the Council at future meetings.

Noting he met recently with representatives of MVWD and IEUA on the water shortage, he encouraged everyone to do their best to conserve water.

Moved by Council Member Ruh and seconded by Council Member Raft that Resolution No. 07-2715, entitled "**A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Montclair, California, Encouraging Residents and Businesses to Help Drought-Proof the Chino Groundwater Basin by Participating in the '20-Gallon Challenge' and 'Watch the Water' Awareness Programs for Voluntary Water Conservation,**" be read by number and title only, further reading be waived, and it be declared adopted.

The City Council unanimously waived the reading of the Resolution.

Resolution No. 07-2715 was unanimously adopted by the following vote:

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 recent **San Bernardino Associated Governments** Committee and **Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority** Board meetings.

(b) He noted his attendance on October 18, 2007, at **Robbins Brothers Jewelers'** ten-year anniversary celebration.

(c) He noted and his attendance on Thursday, November 1, 2007, along with Mayor Pro Tem Dutrey and Council

Members Raft and Paulitz at the **League of California Cities (LCC), Inland Empire Division & Fifth Annual James S. Thalman Memorial Public Service Award** dinner at which City Manager McDougal was honored with this prestigious award for his leadership, integrity, and outstanding public service.

D. City Council/Agency Board

1. Council Member/Director Paulitz noted it was very nice to see City Manager McDougal's entire family and many friends and staff members in attendance at the *Thalman Award* dinner, adding that his receipt of the award and their attendance came as a complete surprise. He noted he nominated City Manager McDougal for the award and thanked staff for all its efforts to secure the nomination. He advised that City Manager McDougal is running for reelection to the **Chaffey College** Governing Board in tomorrow's Consolidated Election and noted some of his many accomplishments including serving as Advisory Board Chair of the **Pomona Valley Habitat for Humanity** and as Board Member of the **University of California, Riverside, Alumni Association**. He advised that **Mr. Thalman** was one of the founding fathers of the **City of Chino Hills**, serving initially as Council Member and for three terms as Mayor as well as tirelessly serving area cities as a Member of the **LCC Board**. He stated that City Manager McDougal is the fifth recipient of this prestigious and very well deserved award.
2. Council Member/Director Raft commented as follows:
 - (a) She concurred with Council Member Paulitz's comments, noting it was nice to see City Manager McDougal win the James Thalman award.
 - (b) Noting the importance of tomorrow's Consolidated Election, she urged everyone to exercise their civil right to vote.
3. Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Dutrey commented as follows:
 - (a) He noted his pride in City Manager McDougal's being recognized by the **LCC** for his great leadership of this fine community. He recognized City Manager McDougal for his record 15 1/2 years of service as Montclair City Manager, noting he works hard to implement policies set by the Council. He cited as an example the grand opening this morning of the new low-income **San Antonio Vista Apartments** developed by **National Community Renaissance** at the San Antonio Gateway

site. He advised that the development is one of several affordable housing projects to be built at the site.

- (b) He recognized Human Services Division for organizing the children's Halloween party last Wednesday in the Community Center auditorium. He noted his daughter, **Janine**, thoroughly enjoyed herself at the event.
- (c) He noted he, Mayor Eaton, and Council Members Raft and Ruh attended the **Inland Pacific Ballet's** major fundraiser of the year at the **Avalon Ballroom** at the **Fairplex** on October 26, 2007. He noted his pride in the professional ballet company and academy being located in Montclair and that the ballet company regularly performs at **Bridges Auditorium**, Claremont. He expressed his hope that one day Montclair will have a performance hall for **Inland Pacific Ballet**.
- (d) He noted a *Notice of Completion* has been issued for the public right-of-way improvements in Foundation Area 12 located at Mills Avenue and San Jose Street and the Council's action this evening to approve issuance of a *Notice of Completion* for the Mission Boulevard Phase 4 Improvement Project between Monte Vista and Ramona Avenues that has beautified that area of the corridor. He expressed his hope that the Mission Boulevard Phase 5 improvements between Monte Vista Avenue and Central Avenues will begin construction next year.
- (e) He stated that he is proud of all that our small City has to offer.

4. Council Member/Director Ruh commented as follows:

- (a) He noted he was unable to attend the **LCC Thalman Award** dinner because of a conflict with a work-related function. He congratulated City Manager McDougal on receiving the award.
- (b) He cautioned voters to carefully read the competing eminent domain petitions being circulated and ask questions (no matter which side of the issue they may be on) before deciding to sign. He noted the petition being circulated by **LCC** prohibits eminent domain on owner-occupied residential property, and the petition being circulated by the **National Federation of Independent Business** and a coalition, including the **Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association**, that prohibits eminent domain on owner-occupied and nonowner-occupied residential property. He noted he does not support eminent domain actions on any residential property.

- (c) He noted his busy work schedule prevented his attendance at the **San Antonio Vista Apartments** grand opening this morning. Though the development represents a wonderful affordable housing opportunity, he expressed his concern for families that qualify to live there today being disqualified at some future point because of income restrictions. He discussed the travesty of the subprime mortgage market being the only avenue available to lower income households to be able to afford to purchase a home.
- (d) Noting certain Inland Empire officials have professed to only want "white-collar" salaried professional jobs and no "blue-collar" manual labor/tradesperson jobs, he emphasized the need for mechanic positions and cargo workers, who make relatively good incomes, to staff the regionally important **LA/Ontario International Airport** asset base. Noting the trend to offshore our white-collar jobs, he spoke in support of an Inland Empire economy that will "take care of our own families."
- (e) On a lighter note, he announced that local Chino resident **Ms. Reva Salter**, who is the mother of **Ms. Sandra Rose**, has been named the first recipient of the **City of Chino's Spirit of Achievement Award** during an official unveiling ceremony of that city's newest community art piece on Wednesday, November 14, 2007, at 11:00 a.m., which will take place at the base of the newly placed Spirit of Achievement statue located on Central Avenue between Chino City Hall and the **Carolyn Owens Community Center**. He noted he has had the privilege of knowing the **Salter** family for many years and that this presents a wonderful opportunity to honor residents who have volunteered for their community. He encouraged the Council and public to attend the ceremony.
- (f) He estimated that there were two to three hundred attendees at the Human Services Division's Halloween party this year. It was wonderful to see the number of community families at the event, he added, noting he brought his puppy, **Shadow**. He encouraged residents to attend the party next year as a safer way to celebrate Halloween.
- (g) He noted he enjoyed the performance of repertory highlights at the **Inland Pacific Ballet (IPB)** fundraiser on October 26, some of which were written and choreographed by **IPB Academy** students. He encouraged the public's support of this accomplished ballet company

that is on a par with some of the best dance companies in the country; indeed, it is the only one currently in Southern California. He announced that **IPB** would be performing *The Nutty Nutcracker* on December 14 and 21, 2007, at 8:00 p.m. at **Bridges Auditorium**.

E. Committee Meeting Minutes

1. Minutes of Public Works Committee Meeting of August 16, 2007

The City Council received and filed the Public Works Committee meeting minutes of August 16, 2007, for informational purposes.

2. Minutes of Personnel Committee Meeting of October 15, 2007

The City Council received and filed the Personnel Committee meeting minutes of October 15, 2007, for informational purposes.

Mayor Eaton thanked attending **Montclair High School** students for their presence at this meeting and asked them to write today's date and time Council Members or staff would be signing their attendance forms before presenting them for signature.

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

At 7:48 p.m., Mayor/Chairman Eaton adjourned the City Council and Redevelopment Agency and Montclair Housing Corporation Boards of Directors.

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

Yvonne L. Smith
Transcribing Secretary