

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE MONTCLAIR CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6,
2012, AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE CITY
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 5111 BENITO
STREET, MONTCLAIR, CALIFORNIA

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eaton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Eaton; Mayor Pro Tem Raft; Council Members Paulitz, Dutrey, and Ruh; Deputy City Manager/Office of Economic Development Executive Director Staats; Director of Community Development Lustro; City Engineer Hudson; Finance Director Parker; Deputy City Attorney Robbins; Deputy City Clerk Smith

III. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

IV. DECLARATION OF ELECTION RESULTS

A. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 12-2974 Reciting the Fact of the General Municipal Election Held on Tuesday, November 6, 2012, Declaring the Results and Such Other Matters as Provided By Law

Moved by Council Member Paulitz and seconded by Council Member Dutrey that Resolution No. 12-2974, entitled, "**A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Montclair Reciting the Fact of the General Municipal Election Held on Tuesday, November 6, 2012, Declaring the Results and Such Other Matters as Provided by Law,**" be read by number and title only, further reading be waived, and it be declared adopted.

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

V. SWEARING-IN OF REELECTED MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Deputy City Clerk Smith administered the Oath of Office to reelected Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn Raft.

Mrs. Anne Dutrey administered the Oath of Office to her reelected husband Council Member John Dutrey.

Mayor Pro Tem Raft stated, "I am just very thankful it is over. I am very thankful I won, and I want to thank my husband, **Ray**, my son, **Jonathan**, and everyone else for all the nights they helped with my campaign." She personally thanked Council Members Paulitz, Dutrey, and Ruh and Building Official Westerlin for their help. She stated, "Thank you very much, and I will be happy to serve you another four years."

Council Member Dutrey stated, "I would like to thank everyone, especially my wife, **Anne**, daughter, **Janine**, and parents for supporting me through this campaign and also these last four years. I just want to say one thing: This City is about the people of Montclair. I think one of the things that allowed me to come back and really think about it these last two months out there walking and knocking on doors is that we are here to serve the people of Montclair. We are not here to serve special interest groups. We are not here to serve the City Manager, or serve employees, or serve ourselves. We are here to serve the 36,000 residents who live in this fine City and also the public that visits this City, and we are here to do the best we can to make sure Montclair is a great place to live, to work, to shop, and to play. And that is my mission here these next four years. My mission is to ensure that our budget is stable—that we have a budget that we can live within our means without having to ask residents to pay more taxes, which I think we can do; that we continue to provide the services that the residents of this community enjoy; that we continue to do projects that allow us to enhance our image of the City and also allows us to improve our streets, and overall to make sure that Montclair, in the minds of the people of this City and also in the minds of people outside this City, is truly a **Mayberry** town that we are all proud of being.

"With that, I promise you that during the next four years, unlike the new Council Member in Ontario—I will not mention his name!—I am not going to make any waves. I am going to do my job the best I can. Thank you."

Mayor Eaton thanked Mayor Pro Tem Raft and Council Member Dutrey for their remarks. He stated, "Congratulations to the both of you, and I look forward to working with you for at least for another two years, when my term expires, along with Council Member Ruh and Council Member Paulitz. The three of us will be around for two years, for sure, and I hope for four more after that."

VI. SELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

Mayor Eaton nominated Council Member Ruh to serve a two-year term as Mayor Pro Tem of the Montclair City Council.

Council Member Dutrey nominated Mayor Pro Tem Raft to serve another two-year term as Mayor Pro Tem of the Montclair City Council.

There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed.

Mayor Eaton noted Council Member Ruh has never served as Mayor Pro Tem in his 14 years of service on the City Council and that Mayor Pro Tem Raft has served in that capacity for two years. He stated that though some Council Members have served as Mayor Pro Tem for longer than that, he would like to set a precedent for a rotation of the office every two years.

Mayor Pro Tem Raft concurred with Mayor Eaton and officially conceded the nomination to Council Member Ruh "because I think it would be good for his future."

Council Member Ruh thanked Mayor Pro Tem Raft.

Council Member Paulitz stated that he had promised Mayor Pro Tem Raft that he would vote in support of her nomination. He stated, "I am very much of the opinion that if somebody wanted it and were doing a good job, they should retain it. However, it is up to Carolyn. If she wants to give it up at this time, I will support Bill's nomination. It is up to her."

Council Member Ruh's nomination was voted upon as follows:

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

Mayor Eaton congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Ruh.

Mayor Pro Tem Ruh stated, "Thank you. I truly appreciate the honor and will continue to work as diligently as I have and continue to work with all of you. Thank you."

Council Member Dutrey also congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Ruh.

Mayor Pro Tem Ruh stated, "Thank you and, again, congratulations to all the winners. I know we all worked very, very hard. It was very interesting when I, too, walked through the community and talked to many residents door to door and learned they are very satisfied with the community, and the small improvements they want are already underway."

VII. REORGANIZATION OF 2012-14 CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE/LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS

Mayor Eaton advised that Council Members have received their new committee/liaison assignments, noting six inactive committees were removed. He expressed his hope that Council Members will be willing to serve as assigned. He told Council Member Paulitz his participation has been scaled back pursuant to their discussion so he will have time for traveling and other pursuits.

Council Member Paulitz stated, "In reviewing the assignments, I am satisfied with continuing to serve and work on the Code Enforcement and Public Works Committees and the Planning Commission Interview Panel."

Moved by Council Member Dutrey, Mayor Pro Tem Ruh, and carried unanimously that the City Council approve the City Council Committee/Liaison Assignments for calendar years 2012 through 2014.

Mayor Eaton reminded those in the gallery to attend the annual Christmas Tree-Lighting Ceremony, stating, "We will see you out there. Thank you for attending the meeting. Again, congratulations Carolyn and John on your new City Council terms."

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:42 p.m., Mayor Eaton adjourned the City Council.

Submitted for City Council approval,

Yvonne L. Smith
Deputy City Clerk