CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
January 24, 2011
REGULAR SESSION

The Regular Session of the Auburn City Council was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn, California on Monday, January 24, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Kirby presiding and City Clerk Joseph G.R. Labrie recording the minutes.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL:

Council Members Present: Bridget Powers, Kevin Hanley, J. M. Holmes, Keith Nesbitt, Bill Kirby

Council Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: City Manager Robert Richardson, City Attorney Michael Colantuono, Fire Chief Mark D'Ambrogi, Public Works Director Bernie Schroeder, Transit Analyst Megan Siren, Administrative Services Director Andy Heath, Public Works Engineer Carie Huff, Police Chief Valerie Harris and Police Captain John Ruffcorn.

By **MOTION** adjourn to a Closed Session under Government Code Section 54957:6
MOTION: Nesbitt/ Holmes/ Unanimously approved by voice

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

The City Council/Agency finds, based on advice from legal counsel, that discussion in open session will prejudice the position of the local agency in the litigation.

Existing Litigation: City of Auburn vs. Lehman Brothers
G.C. 54956.9(a) US District Court, for the Southern District of NY

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION
No reportable action.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda was approved as presented by consensus of the Council.

CONSENT CALENDAR

City Clerk Joe Labrie requested item 1 be removed from the consent calendar.

1. **Minutes**

By **MOTION** approve City Council Minutes of 12/13/2010.

2. **Elder's Station Security Camera Project – Environmental and Award**

By **RESOLUTION 11-11**, find the Elder's Station Security Camera Project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Section 15301 (c) - Existing Facilities.

By **RESOLUTION 11-12,** authorize the Director of Public Works to execute a construction contract with Maxpower Electronics, Inc. for the Elder's Station Security Camera Project in an amount not to exceed $14,700.00.

3. **Auburn Transit – Certifications & Assurances for PTMISEA Grant Program**

By **RESOLUTION 11-13**, authorize the City Manager or the Director of Public Works to submit and execute on behalf of the City of Auburn the Certificates & Assurances for the Public Transit Modernization, Improvement, and Service Enhancement Account Grant Program.

4. **Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution**

By **RESOLUTION 11-14**, authorize agents for the City of Auburn on the Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution form, CalEMA Form 130.

5. **MOU with Sierra Economic Development Corporation for Grant Administration; Southridge Fuel Break**

By **RESOLUTION 11-15**, authorize the Fire Chief to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with Sierra Economic Development Corporation for the administration of Grant Funding under Grant Number 11USFS-SFAX0025, "Southridge Open Space Fuel Break."

6. **Airport Office Lease Amendment – John Crawford dba Sierra Air Helicopters, LLC**

By **RESOLUTION 11-16**, authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute a lease amendment for commercial office space in the Auburn

Municipal Airport Operations Building between the City of Auburn and John Crawford, dba Sierra Air Helicopters, LLC, adding Suite 103 as additional office space and extending the lease for both suites on a month-to-month basis for a total cost of $300.00 per month.

7. **Labor Relations Consulting Services Agreement**

By **RESOLUTION 11-17**, authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute a Consulting Services Agreement with Patrick Clark Consulting to provide human resources and labor negotiations consulting services through June 30, 2012 and as required by the City in an amount not to exceed $25,000.00.

8. **2010-11 Street Overlay Project – Notice of Completion**

By **RESOLUTION 11-18**, authorize an additional $983.06 and the recording of a Notice of Completion for the 2010-11 Street Overlay Project.

********** End of Consent Calendar **********

Council Member Holmes recused himself from item 5 & 8 due the proximity of his home to the land affected by those items. Council Member Nesbitt recused himself from item 8 for this same reason.
By **MOTION**, approve the consent calendar with the exception of item 1 and with the noted abstentions.
MOTION: Powers/ Nesbitt/ Approved 5:0

8a. **Minutes**

City Clerk Joe Labrie requested corrections on the 12/13/2010 minutes.

By **MOTION** approve corrected City Council Minutes of 12/13/2010.
MOTION: Hanley/ Nesbitt/ Approved 5:0

9. **Public Comment**

Council Member Nesbitt clarified he is not running for the Assembly. He said he plans to fulfill his term on this Council and thanked the people who elected him.

Council Member Holmes said today is the anniversary of the day James Marshall discovered gold in Coloma in 1848. He also said today is the last day for candidates to file for the 4th Assembly District election. He said he would like to have the discussion again soon regarding establishing Charter City status.

Council Member Hanley said he has been appointed to SACOG's Government Affairs Committee and welcomed ideas from his fellow Council Members to be considered by this committee.

Megan Siren, Department of Public Works, said the Auburn Bike Fest will be held Saturday, May 7th from 10am to noon at E.V. Cain School. She said this is funded by the 2010 Clean Air Grant. She also said that last week, 12 bike racks were installed throughout town under this grant.

Mayor Kirby asked the Council their thoughts about moving the next Council meeting up a week due to it landing on Valentines Day. The consensus was the next regular meeting will remain scheduled on February 14, 2011.

REPORTS

10. **Informational Report from Public Works – Response to Public Comment Regarding Traffic Signals and Streetlights**

Public Works Engineer Carie Huff presented a report on the traffic signals and streetlights throughout Auburn (report available in the City Clerk's office).

Council Member questions followed regarding traffic signals at Central Square and traffic signal coordination and synchronization.

Dan Sokol, resident of Auburn, said he disagrees with information provided in this report. He spoke of the difference between ownership options on the newly installed street lights.

Public Works Director Bernie Schroeder said this issue has been researched many times. She said there is an arrangement made by the developer with PG&E that sets the schedule.

11. **City Council Committee Reports**

Council Member Holmes reported on the Auburn State Recreation Area. He said the letter and resolution passed at the last Council meeting was mailed to the Secretary of Interior. He said the Placer County Board of Supervisors and the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors are scheduled to pass similar resolutions that will also go to the Secretary of Interior. He said the local area Chambers of Commerce are meeting February 2nd to discuss the issue and hopefully will also be sending correspondence to officials regarding this matter.

Council Member Nesbitt said the SHAAC committee recently met and he plans to have some recommendations for tiles to be engraved before Council at its next meeting. He said the approved interpretative sign has been installed by the site of the Wells Fargo Bank.

Council Member Nesbitt reported on a new designation for Auburn determined during a Placer County Transportation Planning Agency audit and said he will be bringing more information to a future meeting.

Council Member Nesbitt reported that the Amgen committee is actively soliciting for sponsorships for the ATOC Stage 3 start on May 17th.

Council Member Powers reported that the first general meeting for the Airport Business Park Association is going to be held this Wednesday in the Pilot's Lounge.

Council Member Powers reported that the Placer County Economic Development Board met and discussed a "Listen to Businesses" workshop scheduled for March 2nd.

Mayor Kirby thanked Council Member Holmes for his leadership on the Auburn State Recreation Area issue.

Mayor Kirby also said the new kiosk at Central Square is getting a lot of use and he is very happy with the final product.

Mayor Kirby reported that the Placer Nevada Wastewater Authority is meeting Thursday and there will be a formal presentation from the City of Lincoln on all the final numbers on a regional wastewater option.

Mayor Kirby reported on the local bike shops in Auburn and the upcoming Amgen Tour of California.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kirby adjourned the meeting, without objection, at 6:35 p.m.

William W. Kirby, M.D., Mayor

Joseph G. R. Labrie, City Clerk