CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
January 28, 2013
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 28, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Hanley presiding and City Clerk Stephanie Snyder recording the minutes.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL:

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

Council Members Absent: none

Staff Members Present: City Manager Robert Richardson, Assistant City Attorney Michael Cobden, Community Development Director Will Wong, Associate Planner Lance Lowe, Fire Chief Mark D'Ambrogi, Public Works Director Bernie Schroeder, Deputy City Clerk Amy Lind, Transit Analyst Megan Siren, Administrative Services Director Andy Heath and Police Chief John Ruffcorn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MAYOR'S COMMENDATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Certificate of Appreciation was presented for Teresa Schredl of the Technology Commission.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **Reappointment of Technology Commissioners**

   By **RESOLUTION 13-08** reappoint Richard Owens and Paul Mercurio to the Auburn Technology Commission with a term ending 1/31/2017.

2. **Reappointment of Endurance Capital Committee Members**

By **RESOLUTION 13-09** reappoint Colleen Conley and Cynci Calvin to the Endurance Capital Committee.

3. **Surplus Equipment/ Police Department**
By **RESOLUTION 13-10**, recognize the surplus equipment as sold, traded or destroyed as listed on exhibit A & B.

4. **Mobile Food Vendors in the City's Public Right of Way**

By Motion, hold a second reading, by title only, and adopt **ORDINANCE 13-03** amending the Auburn Municipal Code by adding Chapter 72.31 *et. seq.* to regulate Mobile Food Vending in the Public Right of Way.

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

By **MOTION**, approve the consent calendar.
MOTION: Nesbitt/Powers/Approved 5:0

5. **Public Comment**

At the request of Mayor Hanley, City Manager Robert Richardson gave background information on Baltimore Ravine Specific Plan and the United Auburn Indian Community (UAIC) in response to a letter that was mailed anonymously to residents of Auburn (both anonymous letter and press release by the City is in permanent record).

Paul Berger, resident of Auburn, requested Mayor Hanley and the City Council join "Mayors Against Illegal Guns" (letter in permanent record).

James and Kim Dahlin, land owners in Phase 2 of the Baltimore Ravine Specific Plan, spoke about their concerns about the UAIC involvement and said in the "24 or 25 meetings" they have been involved with, being land owners, the tribe's ownership was never disclosed to them. They stressed the importance of keeping control over this property.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

6. **Recommendations from Streetscape History and Art Advisory Committee (SHAAC)**

Council Member Nesbitt introduced this item. He reviewed the items that will be presented tonight.

Harvey Roper, member of the SHAAC, presented the two applications the SHAAC committee received for engraved tiles saying the committee

recommends approval for both Annabell McCord in Central Square and Michael Goodwin in the Arts Zone by the State Theater. He presented the 10 names that SHAAC recommends for future engraving of tiles in Central Square. He also presented a map of Auburn that SHAAC would like to have redesigned to install on the vacant third interpretative sign in Central Square to highlight historic buildings to visit while in Auburn.

Lee Buckingham, member of the SHAAC, presented the "Auburn Hall of Fame" monument sign to be located at Old City Hall to recognize outstanding citizens of Auburn. He quickly reviewed the street names SHAAC is recommending for Baltimore Ravine project, adding this item would be continued to the 2/28/13 meeting due to not being complete at this time.

Council Member Keith Nesbitt clarified that a minimal expenditure would be needed to bring the prototype back for both the interpretative sign and monument sign.

Council Member questions followed regarding the original nomination master list, buildings to be on the interpretative sign map, street names, tiles remaining in Central Square, people recognized for jobs they held, sponsors for tiles to be engraved, cost difference between tiles already in the ground and new tiles to be installed, and a nomination process for new monument idea.

Cheryl Maki, resident of Auburn, spoke in support of a tile honoring Annabell McCord. She recognized the family and friends of Annabell in attendance at the meeting. She reviewed the many contributions of Annabell McCord and stressed her well known saying "If not you, who?".

Janet Crosby, on behalf of the Auburn Symphony League, spoke in favor of a tile honoring Michael Goodwin. She spoke of his extraordinary achievements which made the symphony what it is today.

Council Members spoke to each item and explained why and what they support and oppose. Some of the comments included remaining vacant tiles, yearly limit to tiles engraved, SHAAC's hard work, criteria for tiles vs. new monument sign, and tiles available in future phases.

Council Member Nesbitt reminded the Council that it was by Council's direction to bring 10 names back for engraving tiles. He said criteria for the hall of fame monument is still being discussed; the approval tonight is just to show approval of the idea so SHAAC can continue moving forward.

By **MOTION**:

1) A) Approve application for tile for Annabell McCord in Central Square.
Kirby/Holmes/Approved 5:0

Council Member Kirby expressed concern about the engraving of a tile for Michael Goodwin, and reminded the Council that without Janet North, the symphony would have never been created.

B) Approve application for tile for Michael Goodwin in the Arts Zone (State Theater area).
Nesbitt/Powers/Approved 4:1 (Kirby no)

2) Approve 10 names for tiles in and around Central Square for future etching:

a) 3 tiles that highlight significant landmarks; Bloomer Cut, Auburn Foresthill Bridge, and Mountain Quarries (No-Hands) Railroad Bridge.
b) 1 tile honoring the Auburn Hook and Ladder Company
c) 3 tiles that honor people of Historical Significance; The Yue Family and the Shanghai, Frederick Birdsall, and Charles Tuttle.
d) 1 tile in the Art Zone (near Hilda's Bakery) Dr. Ken Fox
e) 2 tiles in Sport Zone (In front of Wells Fargo) Jeff Hamilton and Roy Mikkelsen

Council Member Holmes said he had concerns about the Yue Family tile not being located in the Old Town Area where they had their business.

Council Member Nesbitt said the tiles in Central Square are themed the confluence. He said these tiles represent the confluence of people, places and events that shaped Auburn.

Powers/Kirby/Approved 4:1 (Holmes no)

3) Approve in concept the Third Interpretive Sign at Central Square and return to Council with a mockup.

Holmes/Powers/Approved 5:0

4) Approve in concept a Monument Sign honoring citizens and request that Arts Committee return to Council and provide a mock-up sample.

Mayor Hanley said he would like the criteria to be the annual McCann winners. He said he does not see the need to reopen a nomination process like was done with the tiles.

Council Member Powers said she looks forward to continuing the discussion about how these names will be determined, because she would not like it to be limited to just McCann award winners.

Powers/Nesbitt/Approved 5:0

5) Consensus of the Council was to continue Street Names to the February 25, 2013 City Council Meeting

Council recessed at 7:30 p.m. and reconvened at 7:37 p.m.

7. **Ad-Hoc Committee**

Mayor Hanley presented this item. He said he would like to create an ad-hoc committee for the 125th anniversary of the reincorporation of Auburn. He said Council Member Holmes has agreed to Chair the committee, Council Member Nesbitt has agreed to be Vice Chair. He said this committee will also include City Manager Bob Richardson and City Historian April McDonald-Loomis. He said the expectation for the committee is to meet to discuss ways to highlight Auburn's history and advise Council and public of upcoming events to celebrate. He said he would also like to have City Clerk Stephanie Snyder serve on this committee.

Council Member Kirby asked if the committee has any funding dedicated.

Mayor Hanley said there is no funding for this committee. He said Council Member Holmes already knows of numerous events that will be occurring and this committee is to discuss these things.

Council Member Holmes highlighted a couple of the upcoming events. He said by the end of February a status report will be brought back to Council. He said many of these events will be extended over a period of time. He said the committee could sunset at the end of September.

By **MOTION**, create an ad-hoc committee regarding the upcoming 125th anniversary of the reincorporation of the City of Auburn to sunset 9/30/2013.

Holmes/Kirby/ Approved 5:0

8. **Transparency in Bargaining Policy**

City Manager Bob Richardson presented this item. He said this policy allows for a time span at the beginning of the collective bargaining

process for both parties to put all their proposals on the table. He said lists of the proposals with financial analysis would be made available to the public. He said the collective bargaining process would then continue as it currently does and at the end of the process, the tentative agreement would be made public for a two week period prior to it coming to City Council for approval. He said this policy will be placed in the Employee-Employer Relations Policy (EE-ER). He said as with any change to this document, the revision needs to be presented to all the city's bargaining units and allow for a meet-and-consult process and receive feedback. He said after this it will be brought back to City Council for final approval. He said at that point it would be implemented for the next round of negotiations.

Council Member Kirby clarified that no personal issues regarding individual employees would be made public during this process.

City Manager Bob Richardson confirmed that would not occur.

Council Member Nesbitt asked for clarification of the process for the beginning of negotiations under this new policy.

Council Member Kirby said he wants to include verbiage to ensure the fiscal impact is made public also.

Mayor Hanley said collective bargaining is one of the most important things that City Council members do. He said it can determine both in a positive and negative way, the future of the City. He said there is a balance to strike between recruiting and retaining great employees and providing services to city residents. He said this policy will guarantee that the public will know what the proposals are and what they cost early on in the process. He said it will also guarantee the members of the employee groups will have full knowledge of what the city proposal is and what their own bargaining unit proposal is.

By **MOTION,** approve the Transparency in Bargaining policy and direct staff to amend the Employer-Employee Relations Policy accordingly (to include the verbiage regarding including a fiscal impact in the public document).

Powers/Nesbitt/Approved 5:0

9. **Street Naming Process for Auburn**

Associate Planner Lance Lowe presented this item. He said an ordinance amendment would be required to establish a process for street naming.

He said the developer for Baltimore Ravine was contacted regarding this proposed amendment and he has no comment at this time.

Council Member Holmes said as the City goes through this process, he would like the developer's (of Baltimore Ravine) concerns taken into consideration.

Richard Sanborn, resident of Auburn, spoke about the importance of naming streets so that they clearly distinguish one from another to avoid confusion.

Council Member Powers said she would like to still be able to take into consideration a developers theme of a development in any particular situation.

Council Member Kirby said a while the developer should be able to be involved in the discussion; the ordinance should allow the city to veto anything that doesn't fit this community.

Council Member Holmes used the Gray Horse development street names as an example of street names not personal to Auburn; he said a broad perspective should be used going forward with this ordinance amendment.

Council Member Nesbitt agreed street names should be something relative to Auburn. He said there could be certain aspects that would be deferred to the developer. He said this amendment would give the city the vehicle to have more of a say in future street naming.

Mayor Hanley said he agrees that because the City owns the streets, they should be involved in the naming; while at the same time he agrees that working with the developer is important. He said he wants to ensure a public process.

By **RESOLUTION 13-11**, direct staff to initiate an ordinance amendment of Chapter 158 to establish a process and standards for street naming in the City of Auburn.

MOTION: Holmes/_Kirby /Approved 5:0

REPORTS

10. **City Council Committee Reports**

Council Member Nesbitt reported on the extra train to Auburn as part of the Capital Corridors Joint Powers Authority.

Council Member Holmes reported that the Elk's Lodge wall mural has been cleaned up. He reported that Sierra Economic Development Corporation CEO Brent Smith is retiring and they are in the process of developing criteria for his replacement. He reported on the Placer County Transportation Planning Agency sub-committee regarding unmet transportation needs.

Council Member Kirby reported on a request he received about creating an extension of Shale Ridge Road through to Bill Clark Way; he asked staff to look into this. He reported on the regional sewer issue and strongly encouraged the other Council Members to meet separately with staff regarding their views on this issue. He reported on the upcoming Mardi Gras celebration being hosted by Rotary.

Council Member Powers reported on the next meeting of the Auburn Airport Business Park Association. She also reported on her year as Chair of the Placer County Economic Development Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Hanley adjourned the meeting, without objection, at 8:24 p.m.

Kevin Hanley, Mayor

Stephanie L. Snyder, City Clerk