

**MINUTES
ALHAMBRA CITY COUNCIL
ALHAMBRA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
Joint Regular Meeting
July 13, 2009
5:30 p.m.**

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

ALHAMBRA CITY HALL

ROLL CALL: At 5:30 p.m., on Monday, July 13, 2009, the Alhambra City Council and the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency (ARA) met in the Council Chambers of the Alhambra City Hall, 111 South First Street, Alhambra, California.

CITY COUNCIL/ARA BOARD MEMBERS:

**PRESENT: SHAM, MESSINA YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA
ABSENT: NONE**

Officials Present: Assistant City Manager/Personnel Director/Risk Manager Bacio, City Attorney/Agency Counsel Montes, Acting City Clerk/ARA Assistant Secretary Myles, Director of Development Services/ARA Deputy Executive Director Martin, Director of Finance Longballa, Deputy City Manager/Administrative Services Director Schultz, Assistant to the City Manager Hayashi, Assistant to the City Manager Keating, Sergeant-at-Arms Kim

RESOLUTIONS BY TITLE ONLY

On motion of Mr. SHAM, seconded by Mr. YAMAUCHI, and carried unanimously (SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA), the City Attorney/Agency Counsel was instructed to read by title only all resolutions appearing in these minutes which are required by law to be read in their entirety.

Action Taken: Hearing no objections, so ordered.

AGENCY/COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA (Item Nos. 1 – 5)

All items, except Item No. 4, listed under the Consent Agenda were considered by the Agency Board/City Council to be routine and, therefore, were enacted by one motion.

- 1. FAR EAST NATIONAL BANK: TWO-YEAR EXTENSION OF LINE OF CREDIT – F95-511, C97-517, M2M9-507**

Staff requested that the Agency Board approve certain documents extending the existing

\$10 million line of credit with Far East National Bank by two years to and including June 15, 2011 and authorize staff to execute said documents on behalf of the Agency as more fully discussed in the Deputy Executive Director's July 13, 2009 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Agency Board adopted **Minute Order No. M2M9-507** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency Board that this Board hereby approves a two-year extension of the Agency's line of credit with Far East National Bank (Contract No. C97-517) to June 15, 2011; and, in connection therewith, hereby authorizes staff to execute those certain bank documents necessary to complete the said amendment in accordance with this Resolution.

Vote: Moved: SHAM Seconded: YAMAUCHI
Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE

2. LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH PSK FOODS, INC. DBA SUBWAY FOR REAR PATIO LOCATED AT 116 WEST MAIN STREET – F2M9-507, C2M9-504, M2M9-506

Staff requested that the Agency Board approve a License Agreement with PSK Foods, Inc., doing business as Subway for the short term rental of a 352 square foot rear patio on Agency owned property located at 116 West Main Street. PSK Foods, Inc. has requested temporary access to and use of the property for outdoor dining and access purposes associated with its Subway sandwich business. The License Agreement will provide a temporary trial basis to determine whether such use will benefit the business as more fully discussed in the Deputy Executive Director's July 13, 2009 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M9-506** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency Board that this Board hereby approves that certain TEMPORARY LICENSE AGREEMENT, dated July 13, 2009 by and between the ALHAMBRA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, Licensor, and PSK FOODS, INC. DBA SUBWAY, Licensee, for the short term rental of a 352 square foot rear patio on Agency owned property, a copy of which License Agreement is on file in the office of the City Clerk as **Contract No. C2M9-504** and by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute such License Agreement for and on behalf of the City of Alhambra and the City

Clerk is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

Vote: Moved: SHAM Seconded: YAMAUCHI
 Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
 Noes: NONE
 Absent: NONE

3. AWARD CONTRACTS: PROPERTY REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR THE AFFORDABLE FIRST TIME HOMEBUYER PROGRAM – F2M9-510, N2M9-44, N2M9-45, N2M9-46, C2M9-505, C2M9-506, C2M9-507, M2M9-508

Staff requested Agency Board authorization to award contracts to the lowest responsible bidders for property rehabilitation services at 3001 W. Front Street, 501 S. Sixth Street and 1416 Sarazen Drive in order to develop three Affordable First Time Homebuyer Projects, as more fully discussed in the Deputy Executive Director's July 13, 2009 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Agency Board adopted **Minute Order No. M2M9-508** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency Board that this Board hereby:

SECTION ONE: Accepts as the sole responsible bid received, the bid of TEXSUN CONSTRUCTION, in the total amount of \$89,400 to perform the rehabilitation of the property at 3001 W. Front Street (the "Project"), subject to the terms, conditions, and specifications set forth in Notice Inviting Bids No. N2M9-44; and, Directs the Agency Counsel to prepare the necessary PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT (**Contract No. C2M9-505**) with said successful bidder for said Project; and, after said contract has been prepared and duly executed by said successful bidder, the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute said contract for and on behalf of the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency and the ARA Assistant Secretary is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

SECTION TWO: Accepts as the sole responsible bid received, the bid of ARK CONTRACTOR COMPANY, in the total amount of \$78,760 to perform the rehabilitation of the property at 501 S. Sixth Street (the "Project"), subject to the terms, conditions, and specifications set forth in Notice Inviting Bids No. N2M9-45; and, directs the Agency Counsel to prepare the necessary PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT (**Contract No. C2M9-506**) with said successful bidder for said Project; and, after said contract has been prepared and duly executed by said successful bidder, the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute said contract for and on behalf of the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency and the ARA Assistant Secretary is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

SECTION THREE: Accepts as the sole responsible bid received, the bid of ARK CONTRACTOR COMPANY, in the total amount of \$78,760 to perform the rehabilitation of the property at 1416 Sarazen Drive (the "Project"), subject to the terms, conditions, and specifications set forth in Notice Inviting Bids No. N2M9-46; and, directs the Agency Counsel to prepare the necessary PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT (**Contract No. C2M9-507**) with said successful bidder for said Project; and, after said contract has been prepared and duly executed by said successful bidder, the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute said contract for and on behalf of the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency and the ARA Assistant Secretary is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

Vote: Moved: SHAM Seconded: YAMAUCHI
 Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
 Noes: NONE
 Absent: NONE

4. MINUTES

Minutes of the June 8, 2009 Joint Regular Meeting of the Alhambra Redevelopment Agency and the Alhambra City Council and the Regular Meeting of the Alhambra City Council are now ready for review and approval by both the Agency Board and/or the City Council.

Citizen Input: **Lola ARMENDARIZ** asked that the words "planting more trees to provide shade" be removed and that the phrase "in a shaded area" be inserted after the word seating under the Oral Communications portion of the June 8, 2009 Council Meeting Minutes and requested that the Minutes be amended to more accurately reflect her comments.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Agency Board/City Council approved the correction to the Minutes of the June 8, 2009 Regular Meeting of the Alhambra City Council as noted above after which the Minutes for the meeting listed was approved as submitted.

Vote: Moved: MESSINA Seconded: SHAM
 Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
 Noes: NONE
 Absent: NONE

5. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – F2M9-500

Agency staff submitted for the Agency Board's review and approval Accounts Payable for the period ended June 30, 2009, Check Nos. 10628 - 10647, in the total amount of \$104,576.50.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Agency Board approved as submitted.

Vote: Moved: SHAM Seconded: YAMAUCHI
Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

CLOSED SESSION & CITY ATTORNEY ANNOUNCEMENT re SAME - F2M9-14

City Attorney/Agency Counsel **MONTES** stated an additional item pertaining to Anticipated Litigation arose subsequent to the posting of this agenda which staff needs to discuss with the City Council/Agency Board this evening; however, in order to do so, a vote of the City Council/Agency Board was required to add it to the agenda under Closed Session.

Action Taken: On motion of Mr. SHAM, seconded by Mr. PLACIDO, and carried unanimously (SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, PLACIDO, AYALA) said matter was added under *Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation*: Initiation of litigation pursuant to Govt. Code Section 54956.9(c).

City Attorney/Agency Counsel **MONTES** then identified those items listed on this evening's agenda which would be discussed in Closed Session as follows:

Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Govt. Code Section 54956.8): None

Conference with Legal Counsel--Existing Litigation (Govt. Code Section 54956.9(a): None

Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Govt. Code Section 54956.9(b): None. Initiation of litigation pursuant to Govt. Code Section 54956.9(c): 1 matter.

Discussion of Personnel Matters (Govt. Code Section 54957): None

Conference with City's Labor Negotiator (Govt. Code Section 54957.6):
None

whereupon at 5:35 p.m., the Agency Board and City Council moved into closed session pursuant to applicable law, including the Brown Act (Government Code Sec. 54950, *et seq.*) for the purpose of conferring with the Agency Counsel/City Attorney.

RECONVENE & ARA RECESS: At 7:00 p.m., the Agency Board and City Council moved out of closed session with all members present, whereupon the ARA Chairman recessed the Agency's meeting until such time as the City Council had completed the public portion of its agenda.

**MINUTES
ALHAMBRA CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
July 13, 2009
7:00 p.m.**

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

ALHAMBRA CITY HALL

RECONVENE & ROLL CALL: At 7:00 p.m., on Monday, July 13, 2009 the Alhambra City Council met in the Council Chambers of the Alhambra City Hall

**PRESENT: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
ABSENT: NONE**

Officials Present: Assistant City Manager/Personnel Director Bacio, City Attorney Montes, Acting City Clerk Myles, Director of Development Services Martin, Director of Public Works Chavez, Deputy City Manager/Director of Utilities Swink, Director of Community Services Jarvis, Chief of Police Hudson, Fire Chief Stedman, Director of Finance Longballa, Library Director Hernandez, Deputy City Manager/Administrative Services Director Schultz, Assistant to the City Manager Hayashi, Assistant to the City Manager Keating, Code Enforcement Manager Bisogno, Sergeant-at-Arms Kim

FLAG SALUTE: Led by Mayor Placido

RESOLUTIONS BY TITLE ONLY

On motion of Mr. SHAM, seconded by Mr. YAMAUCHI, and carried unanimously (SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO), the City Attorney was instructed to read by title only all resolutions appearing in these minutes which are required by law to be read in their entirety.

CONSENT AGENDA (Item Nos. 1 – 9)

All items listed under the Consent Agenda were considered by the City Council to be routine and, therefore, were enacted by one motion.

- 1. ACCEPT GIFT: FRIENDS OF THE ALHAMBRA CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY – F2M9-12, M2M9-58**

Staff requested that the City Council accept a gift of \$3,775 from the Friends of the Alhambra Public Library to support the Library's annual Summer Reading Program for Children, Teens and Adults, as more fully discussed in the Library Director's July 13, 2009 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Discussion: Mayor **PLACIDO** noted that the City had a great appreciation for the continued support of the Friends of the Alhambra Public Library and the money they donated this evening to support the Summer Reading Program for residents.

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M9-58** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby accepts with gratitude the gift of \$3,775 from the Friends of the Alhambra Public Library to support the annual Summer Reading Program for Children, Teens and Adults, and directs the Director of Finance to credit such amount to revenue account 101.50.46730 after which \$2,700 is to be allocated to the Alhambra Civic Center Library Special Departmental Supplies account 101.50.5010.64110 and \$1,075 is to be allocated to the Alhambra Civic Center Library Special Departmental Services Account 101.50.5010.62510; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby directs the City Clerk to send a copy of this Resolution to the Friends of the Alhambra Public Library.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: SHAM
Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE

2. ACCEPT GIFT: TARGET STORES, INC. – F2M9-12, M2M9-61

Staff requested that the City Council accept a gift of \$1,000 from Target Stores, Inc. to support the annual celebration of the Alhambra Night Out Against Crime to be held August 4, 2009 at Almansor Park and promote Neighborhood Watch and family safety programs during the event, as more fully discussed in the Chief of Police's July 13, 2009 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M9-61** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby accepts with gratitude the gift of \$1,000 from Target Stores, Inc. to promote Neighborhood Watch and family safety programs during the 2009 celebration of the Alhambra Night Out Against Crime, and directs the Director of Finance to credit such amount to revenue account

101.20.46701; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby directs the City Clerk to send a copy of this Resolution to Target Stores, Inc.

Vote:

3. NIB: ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROJECT – REHABILITATION OF ALHAMBRA ROAD F2M9-63, N2M9-89

Staff requested City Council authorization to distribute a Notice Inviting Bids to solicit bids for the rehabilitation of Alhambra Road from the West City limits to the East City limits as more fully discussed in the Director of Public Works' July 13, 2009 report on file in the City Clerk's Office. This project is being funded with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Economic Stimulus) Funds.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Authorized the City Clerk to advertise **Notice Inviting Bids No. N2M9-89** to solicit bids for the rehabilitation of Alhambra Road from the West City limits to the East City limits, with bids to be received on or before 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, August 20, 2009, in the office of the City Clerk, and publicly opened at 11:00 a.m. that same day.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: SHAM
Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE

4. CONTRACT AWARD: GARFIELD RESERVOIR COATING PROJECT – F2M9-60, N2M9-75, C2M9-20, M2M9-59

On July 2, 2009, the City Clerk received and opened 9 bids ranging from \$161,000 with (Cor-Ray Painting Co.) to \$538,330 (Crosno Construction Inc.) for the Garfield Reservoir Coating Project (N2M9-75), as more fully discussed in the Director of Utilities' July 13, 2009 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M9-59** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby:

- 1) Accepts as the lowest responsible bid received, the bid of COR-RAY PAINTING CO., in the total amount of \$161,000, for the

Garfield Reservoir Coating Project, subject to the terms, conditions and specifications set forth in Notice Inviting Bids No. N2M9-75; and,

- 2) Directs the City Attorney to prepare the necessary PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT (**Contract No. C2M9-20**) with said successful bidder for said Project, and after said contract has been prepared, approved as to content and form by both the City Manager and the City Attorney, and duly executed by said successful bidder, the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said contract for and on behalf of the City of Alhambra and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest the same and to affix the Seal of said City thereto.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: SHAM
Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE

5. DESIGNATION OF VOTING DELEGATES AND ALTERNATE: LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE – F2M9-13, M2M9-60

Staff requested that the City Council approve the proposed appointment of Mayor Placido as Voting Delegate and Vice Mayor Sham as the Voting Delegate Alternate for the League of California Cities Annual Conference's Business Meeting as more fully discussed in the Deputy City Manager/Administrative Services Director's July 13, 2009 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Minute Order No. M2M9-60** as follows:

RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby designates and appoints Mayor Steven T. Placido as Voting Delegate and Vice Mayor Stephen K. Sham as Voting Delegate Alternate for the League of California Cities Annual Conference's Business Meeting; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Alhambra City Council that this Council hereby directs the Acting City Clerk to attest to the designation and appointment of Mayor Steven T. Placido as Voting Delegate and Vice Mayor Stephen K. Sham as Voting Delegate Alternate and send the 2009 Annual Conference Voting Delegate/Alternate Form to the League of California Cities.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: SHAM
Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE

6. RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT: YWCA SAN GABRIEL VALLEY'S AGING IN PLACE PROGRAM – F2M9-65, R2M9-25

Staff requested that the City Council support the YWCA San Gabriel Valley in its proposal to the Federal Department of Health and Human Services, Administration on Aging, to provide an "Aging in Place" program within the San Gabriel Valley that will include Alhambra as part of the service area. The program will coordinate the health and social services available to low income seniors living independently and partner with the City of Alhambra's Case Management Project to refer clients directly to ensure access by older individuals to city-provided and other local community based health assistance including health promotion services, education, socialization, recreational activities and volunteer opportunities as more fully discussed in the Director of Community Service's July 13, 2009 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Adopted **Resolution No. R2M9-25** entitled: *A Resolution of the Alhambra City Council supporting the YWCA San Gabriel Valley's Aging in Place Program Proposal to the Federal Department of Health and Human Services, Administration on Aging and approving a partnership between the City of Alhambra and the YWCA San Gabriel Valley if the Proposal is successful.*

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: SHAM
Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE

7. RESOLUTIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF PERS EMPLOYER PAID CONTRIBUTION (EPMC) BENEFIT FOR VARIOUS EMPLOYEE GROUPS – F2M7-51, R2M9-26, R2M9-27

Staff requested that the Council approve resolutions authorizing the implementation of the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) Employer Paid Member Contribution (EPMC) benefit for Management and Confidential employees as well as Public Safety Non-Department Head Managers, as more fully discussed in the Assistant City Manager/Personnel Director's July 13, 2009 report on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: By one motion, adopted:

A. **Resolution No. R2M9-26** entitled: *A Resolution of the Alhambra City Council for paying and reporting the value of Employer Paid Member Contribution (EPMC) Benefit for City of Alhambra Public Safety Non-Department Head Managers.*

B. **Resolution No. R2M9-27** entitled: *A Resolution of the Alhambra City Council for paying and reporting the value of Employer Paid Member Contribution (EPMC) benefit for City of Alhambra Management and Confidential Employees.*

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: SHAM
Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE

8. **PERSONNEL ACTIONS – F2M9-2**

A list of Personnel Actions was prepared showing the various appointments, classifications, salary changes, etc., since the last City Council meeting. It was appropriate to ratify those actions by the City Manager.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Ratified the actions of the City Manager set forth in that certain Personnel Actions document dated July 13, 2009.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: SHAM
Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE

9. **DEMANDS - F2M9-1**

Final Check List (108679 thru 108878) in the amount of \$1,116,182.33 and Schedule of Wire Transfers in the amount of \$273,637.37 for the week ended June 11, 2009; Final Check List (108879 thru 109061) in the amount of \$3,087,781.42 and Schedule of Wire Transfers in the amount of \$378,415.89 for the week ended June 18, 2009; Final Check List (109062 thru 109255) in the amount of \$464,671.24 for the week ended June 25, 2009; and Final Check List (109288 thru 109438) in the amount of \$119,499.86 for the week ended July 8, 2009 were submitted for Council's approval.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Approved as submitted.

Vote: Moved: YAMAUCHI Seconded: SHAM
Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

10. ESTABLISH SALARY AND BENEFITS FOR NON-DEPARTMENT HEAD MANAGEMENT, EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT & CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES – F2M9-2, O2M9-4550, O2M9-4551

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Directed the City Attorney to introduce and give first reading by title only to the following two ordinances:

Ordinance No. O2M9-4550:

An Ordinance of the Alhambra City Council establishing salary and benefits for non-department head management employees for fiscal year 2009-2010.

Ordinance No. O2M9-4551:

An Ordinance of the Alhambra City Council establishing salary and benefits for executive management and confidential employees for fiscal year 2009-2010.

Vote: Moved: AYALA Seconded: MESSINA
Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

11. ORDINANCES IMPLEMENTING STAFFING REORGANIZATIONS IN THE 2009-2010 BUDGET – F2M9-2, O2M9-4547, O2M9-4549

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Directed the City Attorney to give second reading by title only to **Ordinance No. O2M9-4547** entitled:

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Alhambra, California, Amending Chapter 2.16 of Title II of the Alhambra Municipal Code by establishing the duties of the Administrative Services Director and clarifying additional titles and duties to comply with current City practices

and **Ordinance No. O2M9-4549** entitled:

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Alhambra, California, establishing the benefits for newly created management and confidential employees; and setting the salary ranges for management and confidential employees to include newly created positions and correct discrepancies

After which the City Council, by motion, adopted both **Ordinance No. O2M9-4547** and **Ordinance No. O2M9-4549**

Vote: Moved: AYALA Seconded: MESSINA
Ayes: SHAM, MESSINA, YAMAUCHI, AYALA, PLACIDO
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: F2M9-4

- 1. **Willi CRAIG**, 1004 Dos Robles Place, asked the Council for an update on the Pine Street issue. More specifically, she asked about the status of plans for a potential street closure or to install stop signs. She wondered if the City of Alhambra was still conversing with the City of South Pasadena on the matter and if anything had been resolved. She thought that the installation of a stop sign only at Pine Street and Dos Robles Place would be a mistake as the vehicles exiting off of Huntington Drive are traveling at 40 mph into a 25 mph zone and installation of a stop sign would not resolve this situation. She also asked that it be made clear to South Pasadena that Dos Robles Place is a two-way street as many of the reports she had read from the City of South Pasadena indicate that it is a one-way street.

Responding, Mayor **PLACIDO** noted that the City of Alhambra was still working with South Pasadena to improve the circumstances for the residents of both Cities living on Pine Street without causing adverse effects to the surrounding neighborhoods. Both Cities are currently working to develop a plan that will meet both Cities' needs. The City of Alhambra has recommended that the area where cars queue up to exit Huntington Drive be re-striped so there will be a longer dedicated lane for exiting traffic and that no parking be allowed along Huntington Drive in this same area. It has also been recommended that Atlantic Boulevard be reconfigured to allow for two lanes including a dedicated right-hand turn lane with a no right hand turn on red. Currently, the installation of a stop sign at Dos Robles is a recommendation in order to slow the traffic exiting on Huntington Drive; however, at this point, the installation is not definite. He explained that any further developments on this matter will be discussed at future Council meetings.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS (ANNOUNCEMENTS & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS) – F2M9-7

Mr. **YAMAUCHI** expressed that he was not pleased with the way the Pine Street issue was progressing as it seems that steps forward cannot be made until all of the parties involved can meet with one another at the same time. Representatives from City of South Pasadena, Alhambra and the respective residents involved all need to be at the table at the same time to make decisions regarding this issue.

Mr. **AYALA** announced that the City of Monterey Park would be closing the eastbound lane of Hellman Avenue between Eighth Street and Atlantic Boulevard Monday thru Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. starting on July 15, 2009 for approximately three months. He wanted Alhambra residents to be aware so that they could make travel plans accordingly.

Mayor **PLACIDO** announced that swim lessons through the City were starting and classes were only five dollars a session or forty dollars for a two week session. These were great prices to teach kids a valuable and potentially life-saving skill. The Summer Leisure Activities Guide was also available through the Community Services Department detailing activities of all types that residents can participate in if they would like to stay active over the summer months.

Mrs. **MESSINA** asked residents that may have been a part of the Tri-Hi-Y clubs as a youth to attend a Retirement Reception for Melinda Banks at the YMCA from 1-4 p.m. on Sunday, July 19, 2009. Ms. Banks would love to see any of the participants over the years from these clubs at the reception as Ms. Banks was retiring with 47 years of service at the YMCA.

ARA RECONVENE & ADJOURNMENT: At 7:20 p.m., there being no further business for the Agency Board or Council to transact, the ARA Chairman and Mayor adjourned their respective meetings to 5:30 p.m. on **Monday, July 27, 2009**, in the Council Chambers of the Alhambra City Hall, 111 South First Street, Alhambra, California

LAUREN MYLES
ACTING CITY CLERK & ARA ASSISTANT SECRETARY