

**CITY OF ROHNERT PARK CONCURRENT MEETING MINUTES FOR:
City Council
Community Development Commission
Rohnert Park Financing Authority**

**January 8, 2008
Tuesday**

The Concurrent Meetings of the City of Rohnert Park for the City Council, the Community Development Commission and the Rohnert Park Financing Authority met this date for a Regular Meeting to commence at 6:00 p.m. at the Rohnert Park City Hall, 6750 Commerce Boulevard, Rohnert Park, with Mayor Mackenzie presiding.

REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order: Mayor Mackenzie called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Roll Call: Breeze, Smith, Stafford, Vidak-Martinez, Mackenzie

Staff present for all or part of the Regular Meeting: City Manager Donley, Assistant City Attorney Atencio, Assistant City Manager Schwarz, Management Analyst Babonis, Director of Public Safety Bullard, Public Safety Lieutenant Sweeney, Public Safety Lieutenant Amato, Building Official Bruck, Deputy City Clerk Griffin, and Videographer Beltz.

Mayor Mackenzie introduced Assistant City Attorney James Atencio, who shared brief comments.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Britney Wandrey, student from Waldo Rohnert Elementary School, was not present. Mayor Mackenzie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. MAYOR'S OPENING COMMENTS FOR THE NEW YEAR:

Mayor Mackenzie **DISTRIBUTED AND REVIEWED** his opening comments, which are **ATTACHED TO THE ORIGINAL SET OF MINUTES**.

2. SONOMA STATE UNIVERSITY (SSU) STUDENT REPORT:

Nicole Schlossberg, Legislative Representative for Sonoma State University Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) provided a brief update on several items, including storm-related problems at SSU, the accreditation process, fiscal matters related to student fees and tuition, possible GED program changes, and student elections. Council Member Vidak-Martinez requested reports on climate change and JUMP activities at SSU.

AGENDA CHANGE: At the request of Mayor Mackenzie, Council **CONCURRED** to consider agenda item No. 16, City Manager's/City Attorney's Reports, at this time.

16. CITY MANAGER’S/CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORTS: [Taken out of agenda order]

1. Other informational items, if any:

Storm Preparation & Response: City Manager Donley reviewed the memorandum provided to Council regarding the City’s storm preparation and response to the January 4th storm. Staff responded to Council questions and comments. Council **CONCURRED** to direct staff to prepare a letter to the Sonoma County Water Agency (SCWA) regarding G-Section flood-control improvements, to include a list of suggestions.

3. UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS:

- a. John Borba expressed concern about the high commercial vacancy rate in Rohnert Park, and he recommended adoption of a resolution outlining and addressing Council benefits and yearly expenses.
- b. Ray A. Williams shared comments on a variety of topics.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Approval of Minutes for:
City Council Portion of Regular Concurrent Meetings – December 11, 2007
2. Approval of City Bills/Demands for Payment in the amount of \$2,427,143.73
3. Resolutions for Adoption:

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| 2008-01 | Commending Ted Giesige, Public Safety Commander on the Occasion of His Retirement |
| 2008-02 | Commending Nancy Thompson, Administrative Assistant to the Director of Public Safety, on the Occasion of Her Retirement |
| 2008-03 | Approving Expenditure of Funds from the Spay/Neuter Forfeiture Account for the Spay Neuter Voucher Program |
| 2008-04 | Authorizing and Approving the Third Amended Cooperative Agreement Between and among the Sonoma County Water Agency, the County of Sonoma, the Cities of Cotati, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, and Sebastopol, the Town of Windsor, and Cal American Water Company to Provide Funding and Support Information for the Santa Rosa Plain Groundwater Study |
| 2008-05 | Accepting the Development Impact Fee Report for the Fiscal Year June 30, 2007 |
| 2008-06 | Approving Job Description and Salary Range for Fire Marshal and Reclassifying an Existing Fire Inspector Position to Fire Marshal |
| 2008-07 | Approving an Affordable Housing Covenant between the City of Rohnert Park and Jeremiah F. O’Sullivan and Sheila M. O’Sullivan, as Trustees of the O’Sullivan Revocable Trust of 2002, and Aidan O’Sullivan and Maureen Healy, as Trustees of the O’Sullivan/Healy Revocable Trust of 2005 for the Park Gardens II Project |
| 2008-08 | Endorsing an Application for 2008-2009 Community Development Block Grant Funding |

2008-09 Accepting Completion and Submission of the Annual State Controllers Report, Statement of Indebtedness Report and the California Housing and Community Development Report by the Community Development Commission of the City of Rohnert Park to Supplement the Annual Redevelopment Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007

Upon **MOTION** by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Vidak-Martinez, and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**, reading was waived and the Consent Calendar was **ADOPTED**.

5. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SALES FEE SCHEDULE:

Consideration of Approval of the Proposed 2008 Fee Schedule for Alcoholic Beverage Sales Establishments as Provided in Rohnert Park Municipal Code Section 8.34.020, "Annual Permit Fee":

1. Staff Report: Public Safety Sergeant Sweeney reviewed the Staff Report and responded to Council questions and comments.
2. Public Comments: None.
3. Resolution for Adoption:

2008-10 Approving the 2008 Alcoholic Beverage Sales Fee Schedule

A **MOTION** was made by Mayor Vidak-Martinez, seconded by Council Member Smtih, to adopt Resolution 2008-10. Under discussion, Council Member Breeze stated that she would be voting against said resolution as it may overburden Public Safety staff and does not promote a business-friendly environment for businesses which are already paying for alcohol permits. After Council discussion concluded, reading was waived for said motion, which was **APPROVED 4-1** with Council Member Breeze dissenting, and Resolution No. 2008-10 was thereby **ADOPTED**.

6. ALCOHOL USE IN CITY PARKS:

Consideration of Recommendations by the Public Safety Department Regarding Alcohol Use in City Parks:

1. Staff Report: Director of Public Safety Bullard reviewed the contents of the Staff Report and responded to Council questions and comments.
2. Public Comments:
 - a. Trish Luna expressed safety concerns about the Girl Scouts' use of Alicia Park given the alcohol problems in the park, and she noted her support for permitting.
 - b. Maria Martinez, a neighbor to Alicia Park, reiterated safety concerns.
 - c. Michael Martinez noted the dangerous situations in Alicia Park, and he expressed support for permitting of the consumption of alcohol in city parks.

3. **Council discussion/direction:** Council discussion concluded with **CONCURRENCE** (1) to direct staff to prepare a draft ordinance for Council consideration, and (2) to hold a noticed public workshop on said matter, to include the posting of notices in all city parks announcing said workshop.

7. REQUEST FOR RECOGNITION OF FORMER PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR ROBERT DENNETT:

Consideration of Staff Recommendation Regarding a Request for Recognition of Former Public Safety Director Robert Dennett:

1. Staff Report: City Manager Donley reviewed the contents of the Staff Report.
2. Public Comments: None.
3. **Council discussion/direction:** Council **CONCURRED** to direct staff to make the necessary preparation to dedicate the Department of Public Safety Building's Community Conference Room in honor of Robert Dennett.

8. DEMANDS AGAINST THE CITY:

Consideration of Proposed Amendments to Rohnert Park Municipal Code Chapter 2.44 Regarding Demands against the City:

1. Staff Report: Assistant City Attorney Atencio reviewed the contents of the Staff Report, and he responded to Council questions and comments.
2. Public Comments: None.
3. Ordinance for Introduction:

795 Amending Rohnert Park Municipal Code Chapter 2.44 Regarding Demands against the City

Upon **MOTION** by Vice Mayor Stafford, seconded by Council Member Smith, and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**, reading was waived and Ordinance No. 795 was **INTRODUCED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**.

9. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE/BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

1. **Council Action** Regarding Nominations and Appointments for Terms Expired December 31, 2007

Mobile Home Park Rent Appeals Board
Lorna Blanc (Vidak-Martinez nomination)
Katherine Collins (Breeze nomination)
Barbara Utter (Smith nomination)

3 – two-year terms (expired 12/31/07)
DEFERRED until 1/22/08 Council meeting
REAPPOINTED by **CONCURRENCE**
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Sister Cities Relations Committee

Gordon Adam
 Cynthia Frazer
 Susan Harrow
 Tadao Kunishi
 Holly Melton
 Samantha Skinner

6 – two-year terms (expired 12/31/07)
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2. **Council Action** Regarding One Vacancy on the Bicycle Advisory Committee:

Bicycle Advisory Committee
 (Mayor Mackenzie nomination)

1 – two-year term (expires 12/31/08)
DEFERRED until 1/22/08 Council meeting

10. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON AND COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR YEAR 2008:

Mayor’s Appointments to City Council Liaison and Committee Assignments for 2008: Mayor Mackenzie explained his memorandum to the Council Members.

Council discussion/direction/action: Council discussion concluded with the following action: Council **CONCURRED** with the proposed liaison assignments, to include (1) the elimination of a liaison to Sonoma County Tourism, and (2) the addition of a liaison to the Golf Course Oversight Committee. Furthermore, Council **CONCURRED** (1) with the proposed list of standing committees, (2) with the forwarding of Tribe, School District, and SSU issues to existing subcommittees, and (3) with the retention of the SSU Subcommittee. Council also **CONCURRED** (1) to eliminate all existing ad hoc subcommittees, and (2) to appoint a Development Agreement Negotiations Ad Hoc Subcommittee. Finally, Council **CONCURRED** (1) to submit their requests for liaison and committee assignments to staff by January 15, and (2) to direct City Manager Donley to draft a memorandum, for the Mayor’s signature, to be provided to Council to aid in reviewing their interests. Mayor Mackenzie stated that said appointments will be made at the City Council meeting on January 22, 2008.

11. LETTERS TO LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES:

Consideration of Letters to Assemblymember Jared Huffman and Senator Carole Migden Regarding Proposed Legislation For 2008: Mayor Mackenzie reviewed the contents of the proposed letters.

Council discussion/direction/action: FOR THE RECORD, Council Member Breeze stated that she cannot support the proposed letters, with the statements about the implementation of voter-approved marijuana use for medicinal purposes, unless they include language about the state working with the federal government for clarity on said matter. A **MOTION** was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Vidak-Martinez, to direct staff to send the letters as written. Said motion was **APPROVED 4-1** with Council Member Breeze dissenting.

12. LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR SOLAR SONOMA COUNTY:

Consideration of a Letter of Support for Santa Rosa’s Application for a Solar American Cities 2008 Grant: City Manager Donley and Mayor Mackenzie reviewed the contents of the proposed letter.

Council discussion/direction/action: A **MOTION** was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Vice Mayor Stafford, to direct staff to send the letters as written. Said motion was **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**.

13. COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND/OR OTHER REPORTS:

Mayor Mackenzie explained the change in the agenda format for “Council Committee and/or Other Reports.”

1. Sonoma County Waste Management Agency meeting, 11/28: Council Member Smith provided a brief report.
2. Parks, Recreation & Open Space Committee meeting, 11/28: Vice Mayor Stafford provided a brief report. Council **CONCURRED** to agendaize the matter of Community Gardens prior to the submission of the PROS report by approximately March, 2008.

Mayor Mackenzie left the Council chambers at 8:45 p.m. and returned at 8:49 p.m.

3. Corridor Concept Plans Community Workshop, 12/5: Council Member Vidak-Martinez provided a brief report.
4. Tribal Council Ad Hoc Subcommittee meeting, 12/6: Council Member Vidak-Martinez provided a brief report, and she **DISTRIBUTED** the newsletter of the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria.
5. Creeks Master Plan Subcommittee meeting, 12/12: Mayor Mackenzie and Council Member Breeze provided a brief report.
6. General Plan Steering Committee meeting, 12/13: Council Member Vidak-Martinez provided a brief report.
7. Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District Advisory Committee meeting, 12/13: Council Member Smith provided a brief report.
8. Santa Rosa Plain Conservation Strategy Implementation Committee (California Tiger Salamander) meeting, 12/19: Mayor Mackenzie provided a brief report.
9. Other informational reports:

Council Member Smith: 50th Anniversary Party of First Home in Rohnert Park, 11/30; Grand Opening of Hampton Inn, 12/5; North Bay Economic Insight, Winter 2007, 12/13; 47th Annual Moosefeed Luncheon, 12/14; Spirit of Sonoma County Awards Luncheon, 11/29. Other, if any: None.

Council Member Breeze: 50th Anniversary Party of First Home in Rohnert Park, 11/30. Other, if any: Council Member Breeze noted her attendance at the Public Safety Open House.

Council Member Vidak-Martinez: Tour of Sonoma State University Green Center, 12/17. Other, if any: Council Member Vidak-Martinez noted a meeting with Cotati-Rohnert Park School District Superintendent, Barbara Vrankovich, and City Manager Donley.

Vice-Mayor Stafford: 50th Anniversary Party of First Home in Rohnert Park, 11/30; Grand Opening of Hampton Inn, 12/5; Tour of Sonoma State University Green Center, 12/17. Other, if any: None.

Mayor Mackenzie: North Bay Economic Insight, Winter 2007, 12/13. Other, if any: None.

14. COMMUNICATIONS:

Raising Golden Gate Bridge toll to fund Doyle Drive upgrade: Vice Mayor Stafford called attention to a letter from Joann Sanders regarding the Doyle Drive/toll matter, and Mayor Mackenzie expressed an interest in **AGENDIZING** said item.

North Coast Railroad Authority (NCRA) amicus support: Council Member Smith raised said topic regarding NCRA, and Mayor Mackenzie **DIRECTED STAFF** to note said matter for the next Mayors' & Councilmembers' meeting.

15. MATTERS FROM/FOR COUNCIL:

1. Calendar of Events: Document provided in Council agenda packets.
2. City Council Agenda Forecast: Document provided in Council agenda packets. Council **CONCURRED** to commence the meeting of January 22, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.
3. 2008 Sonoma County Mayor's Challenge for Blood Donations, 1/1-1/31/08: Mayor Mackenzie **REQUESTED** that city staff be informed of said event.
4. Other informational items, if any:
 - a. Recognizing citizens who put Rohnert Park in the spotlight: Mayor Mackenzie suggested such recognition, and he recommended Scott Weaver for his holiday lights display on Cielo Court and/or Sherie Almond and United Parcel Service for use of a ZIP car to deliver packages during the holidays.
 - b. Sonoma Mountain Village Art & Wine Festival, September 20, 2008: Vice Mayor Stafford **ANNOUNCED** said event.
 - c. Commendation for City employee efforts regarding budget issues: Vice Mayor Stafford expressed her gratitude for the efforts of City employees in resolving budget issues during negotiations.

16. CITY MANAGER'S/CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS: [Taken out of agenda order]

1. Other informational items, if any: Considered earlier in the meeting.

17. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Mackenzie adjourned the City Council meeting at 9:21 p.m. to consecutively and separately convene the meetings of the Community Development Commission and the Rohnert Park Financing Authority.

**MINUTES FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF ROHNERT PARK**

Tuesday, January 8, 2008

Call to Order: 9:21 p.m.

Roll Call: Breeze, Smith, Stafford, Vidak-Martinez, Mackenzie

Also present: Executive Director Donley, Assistant General Counsel Atencio, and Assistant Executive Director Schwarz

Unscheduled public appearances: None.

1. CDC CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes for:
CDC Portion of Regular Concurrent Meetings – December 11, 2007
2. Approval of CDC Bills/Demands for Payment in the amount of \$582,224.95
3. CDC Resolutions for Adoption:

2008-01 Rescinding Resolution Nos. 2007-22 And 2007-26 and Authorizing and Approving Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Real Property Known as 100 Avram Avenue, Rohnert Park, California (Assessor's Parcel Number 143-380-022)

2008-02 Rescinding Resolution Nos. 2007-23 And 2007-27 and Authorizing and Approving Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Real Property Known as 120 Avram Avenue, Rohnert Park, California (Assessor's Parcel Number 143-061-052)

2008-03 Acknowledging the Completion and Submission of the Annual State Controller's Report, Statement of Indebtedness Report and the California Housing and Community Development Report from the Community Development Commission to Supplement the Annual Redevelopment Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Chair Stafford, to approve the Consent Calendar. After the motion, reading was waived, and the CDC Consent Calendar, as outlined in the agenda, was **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**.

3. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Chairperson Mackenzie adjourned the CDC meeting at 9:22 p.m.
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**MINUTES FOR THE
ROHNERT PARK FINANCING AUTHORITY**
Tuesday, January 8, 2008

Call to Order: 9:22 p.m.

Roll Call: Breeze, Smith, Stafford, Vidak-Martinez, Mackenzie

Also present: Executive Director Donley, Assistant General Counsel Atencio, and Assistant Executive Director Schwarz

Unscheduled public appearances: None.

1. RPFA CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Approval of Minutes for:
RPFA Portion of Regular Concurrent Meetings – December 11, 2007

A **MOTION** was made by Member Breeze, seconded by Vice Chair Stafford, to approve the RPFA Consent Calendar. After the motion, reading was waived, and the RPFA Consent Calendar, as outlined in the agenda, was **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**.

2. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Chairperson Mackenzie adjourned the meeting of the RPFA at 9:24 p.m.
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***Katy Leonard**
Certified Shorthand Reporter
C.S.R. 11599

Jake Mackenzie
Mayor
City of Rohnert Park

*(Minutes written in absentia)