

February 1, 2005
BENICIA CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
February 1, 2005
SPECIAL MEETING
NONE

I. CLOSED SESSION:

A. CALL TO ORDER: ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION
ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

C. COMMUNICATIONS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

1. WRITTEN

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

D. CLOSED SESSION:

NONE

E. ADJOURNMENT:

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REGULAR MEETING
7:30 P.M.

II. CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL

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NOTE : ALL ITEMS ARE FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS/APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/ PROCLAMATIONS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Announcement of action taken at Closed Session, if any.

Opening on:

PLANNING COMMISSION –

1 full term to September 30, 2008

APPOINTMENTS:

PRESENTATIONS:

PROCLAMATIONS:

SPIRIT OF SOLANO AWARDS – Benicia Chamber of Commerce:

Nationwide Auction Systems, Rely Pio Roda

NOTE: THE BENICIA CITY COUNCIL WELCOMES CITIZEN PARTICIPATION. WE ASK THAT YOU KEEP YOUR COMMENTS TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA TO FIVE (5) MINUTES. SHOULD YOU HAVE MATERIAL YOU WISH TO ENTER INTO THE RECORD, PLEASE SUBMIT IT TO THE CITY MANAGER.

IV. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

V. COMMUNICATIONS:

A. WRITTEN

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

Pursuant to the Brown Act, each public agency must provide the public with an opportunity to speak on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the agency and which is not on the agency's agenda for that meeting. The City Council allows speakers to speak on agendized and non-agendized matters under public comment. Comments are limited to no more than 5 minutes per speaker. By law, no action may be taken on any item raised during the public comment period although informational answers to questions may be given and matters may be referred to staff for placement on a future agenda of the City Council.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. Approval of Minutes of January 5, 2005 and January 18, 2005. (City Clerk)

B. Denial of claims and referral to insurance carrier. (City Attorney)

1. Schmidt

2. Hewitt

Recommendation: Reject the claims.

C. Resolution approving the purchase of additional chemicals for Water Treatment. (Public Works Director)

Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution for the purchase of polyaluminum chloride (PAX) from Jen Chem Inc. for the pretreatment of water at the Water Treatment Plant at cost not to exceed \$57,600. Funds for this purchase are included in the 2004-05 budget. This new chemical will be used with alum to more efficiently treat low alkalinity, high organic source water, which occurs during winter month due to storm water run off.

D. Second reading and adoption of an Ordinance amending Subsection A.2 (Determination of Lead Agency) of Section 17.100.060 (Environmental Review) of Chapter 17.100 (Zoning Permits-Environmental Review – Fees and Deposits) of Title 17 (Zoning). (City Attorney)

Recommendation: Conduct second reading and adopt the Ordinance.

E. Resolution approving changes recommended by the Civil Service Commission to the job description for Field Utilities and Streets Apprentice. (Human Resources Director)

Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution authorizing changes to the certification requirements required by the State of California for public employees who work with water and wastewater systems as recommended by the Civil Service Commission.

F. Resolution approving the job description as recommended by the Civil Service Commission for the new classification of Parks Supervisor and amending the classification plan. (Human Resources Director)

Recommendation: Adopt the proposed new job classification of Parks Supervisor. This new classification replaces the Maintenance Supervisor job description as it relates to the Parks function. The new classification reinforces the Parks and Community Services Department's ongoing efforts to recruit and hire personnel who are educated and experienced in the necessary curriculum and certifications to maintain the City's parks and park facilities infrastructure.

G. Approval to waive the reading of all ordinances introduced and adopted pursuant to this agenda.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Implementation of Downtown Parking Improvements including angled street parking for First Street as recommended by the Traffic, Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Committee. (Public Works Director)

Recommendation: Adopt the proposed Resolution authorizing staff to proceed with the final design of the downtown parking improvements including angled street parking as recommended by the Traffic, Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Committee and to include:

- 1. Reallocation of the \$37,000 previously appropriated by the City Council (Reso. No. 04-120) for First Street parking restriping and signing costs to now pay for the preparation of the final design and cost estimate on the Downtown Streetscape Plan which will include the angled parking improvements, corner bulb-outs, enhanced crosswalks, street restriping, signage and other streetscape improvements pursuant to the Downtown Streetscape Plan; and**
- 2. Allocation of \$30,000 from the General Fund Reserves for the preparation of a mitigated negative declaration in accordance with CEQA requirements; and**
- 3. Submittal of a grant application for funding from the Transportation Enhancements (TE) Program and from any other applicable grant programs for the design and construction of the all or a portion of the downtown parking improvements including angled parking, corner "bulb-outs", crosswalk enhancements, parking and street restriping, signage and other related improvements in accordance with the Downtown Streetscape Plan; and**
- 4. Direction to staff to report back to the City Council no later than May 2005 with the status of the final design plan cost estimates and grant applications before proceeding with the installation of the First Street streetscape and angled parking improvements.**

B. Resolution approving the Scope of Services with Moore Iacofano and Goltsman, Inc. (MIG).

Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution approving the scope of services with MIG for consultant services to support the community conversation process on the proposed Benicia Business Park for an amount not-to-exceed \$16,290 and appropriating funds from the General Fund Reserves. The cost estimate includes three community meetings; it is likely that the third workshop will not be necessary reducing the actual cost to approximately \$13,000.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Resolution directing the preparation of a gateway entrance overlay district and conceptual street designs and establishing an annual livability awards program. (Community Development Director)

Recommendation: Discuss the conceptual scope of work and cost estimate (\$15,000 - \$150,000) provided by staff and refer it to appropriate City Committee and Commissions (Planning and Historic Preservation Review Commissions and Traffic, Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Committee) for further input prior to taking formal action on the Resolution. Additionally, this work item should be considered as part of the City Council's priority setting process for the next budget cycle.

B. Presentation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004 and recognition of previous year's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. (Finance Director)

Recommendation: Accept the report and authorize staff to distribute the document to recipient agencies. The Audit and Finance Committee has reviewed the CARFT and concurs with the recommendation.

C. Resolution authorizing application for Solano Transportation Authority's Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Community Design Program for the Benicia Intermodal Transportation Station Location Study Project. (Public Works Director)

Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution authorizing the Director of Public Works to submit an application for the Benicia Intermodal Transportation Station Location Study Project to the Solano Countywide Transportation for Livable Communities Community Design Program. The TLC grant program provides funding to local jurisdictions to explore innovative design concepts and planning through an inclusive community-based process.

D. Discussion of the evaluation process used by Vice Mayor Patterson for Planning Commission appointments and discussion of a similar process for the Historic Preservation Review Commission. (City Council initiated item-no staff report).

Recommendation: Provide direction to staff.

X. REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER:

A. Information regarding plans for the discussion of Council Priority Setting Workshops and setting a date for a second meeting in early April. (City Manager)

Recommendation: Information only.

XI. REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

Pursuant to Government Code Section 65009, if you challenge a decision of the City Council in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

The decision of the City Council is final as of the date of its decision unless judicial review is initiated pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedures Section 1094.5. Any such petition for judicial review is subject to the provisions of California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact Diane O'Connell, the ADA Coordinator at 707-746-4211. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. (28 CFR 35.102.104 ADA Title II)