

**ONTARIO CITY COUNCIL  
ONTARIO HOUSING AUTHORITY  
MINUTES  
DECEMBER 17, 2013**

**JOINT MEETINGS**

Regular meetings of the Ontario City Council and Ontario Housing Authority were held on Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at the Ontario City Hall, 303 East B Street, Ontario, California.

**CLOSED SESSION**

The Mayor called the City Council/ Housing Authority meetings to order at 6:03 p.m., and inquired whether persons were present who wished to speak to a Closed Session item. Hearing none, he advised that all Members were present and thereupon adjourned to Closed Session for discussion as follows:

- GC 54956.9 (d)(1), CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL, EXISTING LITIGATION: City of Ontario vs. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles World Airports, and Los Angeles Board of Airport Commissioners, RIC 1306498

**CALL TO ORDER – OPEN SESSION**

The Mayor called the City Council/ Housing Authority meetings to order at 6:32 p.m., and requested the City Clerk call the roll.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Mayor/ Chairman	Paul S. Leon
	Mayor pro Tem/ Vice Chairman	Jim W. Bowman
	Council/ Authority Members:	Alan D. Wapner, Debra Dorst-Porada and Paul Vincent Avila

**ABSENT:** None

Also present were City Manager/Executive Director Chris Hughes, City Attorney/Legal Counsel John Brown and City Clerk/Secretary Mary E. Wirtes.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor pro Tem Bowman.

The Invocation was offered by *Hugh Hairston*, Loveland Worship Center.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

City Attorney Brown advised that no reportable action was taken on the Closed Session item.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one requested to speak during Public Comment.

## **AGENDA REVIEW/ ANNOUNCEMENTS**

City Manager Hughes advised there were no announcements.

## **JOINT AGENCIES CONSENT CALENDAR**

**MOTION:** Moved by Council Member Dorst-Porada, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Bowman, the Joint Agencies approved the following Consent Calendar items as recommended.

### **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approved Minutes for the regular meetings of the City Council and Housing Authority dated November 19, 2013; as on file in the Records Management Department.

### **2. BILLS/ PAYROLL**

Approved Bills in the amount of \$4,174,691.71, for the period from November 3, 2013 through November 16, 2013; and Payroll in the amount of \$6,704,146.97, for the period from November 3, 2013 through November 16, 2013 when audited by the Finance Committee.

### **3. AMENDMENT TO LOCATION AGREEMENT WITH ULINE, INCORPORATED**

City Council adopted a Resolution approving an amendment to the location agreement with Uline, Incorporated, of Pleasant Prairie, WI and authorized the City Manager to execute said amendment subject to non-substantive changes as necessary.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-129** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A FIRST AMENDMENT TO LOCATION AGREEMENT WITH ULINE, INCORPORATED.

### **4. A RESOLUTION EXTENDING DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE DEFERRAL PROGRAMS**

City Council adopted a Resolution to extend the Residential and Non-Residential Development Impact Fee Deferral Programs through December 31, 2014.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-130** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, TO EXTEND THE DEFERRAL - ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAMS FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014.

5. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ONTARIO DEVELOPMENT CODE, ARTICLE 13 (FILE NO. PDCA13-005) TO CONDITIONALLY PERMIT HOOKAH ESTABLISHMENTS WITHIN THE C2 (CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT COMMERCIAL) AND C3 (COMMERCIAL SERVICE) ZONING DISTRICTS**

City Council adopted an Ordinance approving Development Code Amendment (File No. PDCA13-005) to conditionally permit hookah establishments within the C2 and C3 zoning districts. A public hearing was held on December 3, 2013.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2979** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING FILE NO. PDCA13-005, A DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT REVISING TITLE 9 (DEVELOPMENT CODE), ARTICLE 13, TABLE 13-1 (PERMITTED, CONDITIONAL AND ANCILLARY LAND USES–ALL ZONING DISTRICTS) TO CONDITIONALLY PERMIT HOOKAH ESTABLISHMENTS WITHIN THE C2 (CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT COMMERCIAL) AND C3 (COMMERCIAL SERVICE) ZONING DISTRICTS, AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.** The Mayor/ Chairman declared Resolutions No. 2013-129 and 2013-130; and Ordinance No. 2979 unanimously approved and adopted.

#### **END OF JOINT CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

6. **AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A ONE-YEAR TIME EXTENSION TO APPROVED DEVELOPMENT PLAN, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND VARIANCE APPLICATIONS THAT ARE DUE TO EXPIRE ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2015**

City Council considered introduction and waived further reading of an Ordinance granting a one-year time extension to the approved Development Plan, Conditional Use Permit and Variance applications that are due to expire on or before March 1, 2015.

Notice of public hearing was duly given and affidavit of compliance is on file in the Records Management Department.

There were no written communications, and no one wishing to be heard, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2980** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, GRANTING A ONE-YEAR TIME EXTENSION TO ANY APPROVED DEVELOPMENT PLAN, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT OR VARIANCE APPLICATION THAT IS ACTIVE AND DUE TO EXPIRE ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2015, AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF.

**MOTION:** Moved by Mayor pro Tem Bowman, seconded by Council Member Dorst-Porada, and unanimously carried to accept the Ordinance for introduction and first reading by title only.

7. **A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CV INLAND INVESTMENTS 1, LP, AND THE CITY OF ONTARIO TO UPDATE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE EXISTING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AND TO PROVIDE FOR PHASING OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE**

City Council considered introduction and waived further reading of an Ordinance approving an amendment (File No. PDA13-002) to the Development Agreement between CV Inland Investments 1, LP, and the City of Ontario to update certain provisions of the existing Development Agreement to conform with the Construction Agreement Amendment with NMC Builders, LLC; and to provide for phasing of the construction of public infrastructure.

Notice of public hearing was duly given and affidavit of compliance is on file in the Records Management Department.

There were no written communications, and no one wishing to be heard, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2981** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ONTARIO AND CV INLAND INVESTMENTS 1, LP, FILE NO. PDA13-002, TO UPDATE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE EXISTING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT TO CONFORM WITH THE CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT AMENDMENT WITH NMC BUILDERS LLC, AND TO PROVIDE FOR PHASING OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE AS PROVIDED IN TRACT MAP NOS. 18476 AND 18477, AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF (APN: 0218-151-19 AND 23).

**MOTION:** Moved by Council Member Dorst-Porada, seconded by Council Member Avila, and unanimously carried to accept the Ordinance for introduction and first reading by title only.

**8. A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN JS BRAY, LLC, JA BRAY, LLC, AND THE CITY OF ONTARIO TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF UP TO 52 RESIDENTIAL UNITS AND REQUIRED INFRASTRUCTURE ON 9.43 ACRES OF LAND WITHIN THE COUNTRYSIDE SPECIFIC PLAN, LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF CHINO AVENUE, WEST OF ARCHIBALD AVENUE**

City Council considered a Resolution approving an addendum to the Countryside Specific Plan, and introduction of an Ordinance approving the Development Agreement (File No. PDA13-004) between JS Bray LLC, JA Bray LLC, of Newport Beach, CA and the City to provide for the construction of up to 52 residential units on 9.43 acres of land within the Countryside Specific Plan located on the north side of Chino Avenue, west of Archibald Avenue (APNs: 0218-111-54 and 55).

Notice of public hearing was duly given and affidavit of compliance is on file in the Records Management Department.

There were no written communications, and no one wishing to be heard, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-131** RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN ADDENDUM TO THE COUNTRYSIDE SPECIFIC PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (SCH#2004071001) ADOPTED FOR FILE NO. PSP04-001, PREPARED FOR FILE NO. PDA13-004, FOR WHICH AN INITIAL STUDY WAS PREPARED, ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, AS AMENDED, AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF (APN: 0218-111-54 AND 55).

**ORDINANCE NO. 2982** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ONTARIO AND JS BRAY, LLC, AND JA BRAY, LLC., FILE NO. PDA13-004, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF UP TO 52 RESIDENTIAL UNITS ON 9.43 ACRES WITHIN THE COUNTRYSIDE SPECIFIC PLAN, LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF CHINO AVENUE, WEST OF ARCHIBALD AVENUE (APNS: 0218-111-54 AND 55).

**MOTION:** Moved by Mayor pro Tem Bowman, seconded by Council Member Dorst-Porada, to approve Resolution No. 2013-131; and to introduce and waive further reading of the Ordinance.

9. **A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER: [1] A RESOLUTION APPROVING A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT REVISING EXHIBIT LU-03 (FUTURE BUILDOUT) AND THE LAND USE PLAN CONTAINED WITHIN THE POLICY PLAN COMPONENT OF THE ONTARIO PLAN AND [2] A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SPECIFIC PLAN AMENDMENT REVISING THE BORBA VILLAGE SPECIFIC PLAN**

City Council adopted a Resolution approving an addendum to the previous Mitigated Negative Declaration adopted by the Ontario City Council on February 10, 2004 in conjunction with File No. PGPA03-002; a Resolution approving a General Plan Amendment (File No. PGPA13-002) revising Exhibit LU-03 (Future Buildout) and the Land Use Plan contained within the Policy Plan component of The Ontario Plan; and a Resolution approving a Specific Plan Amendment revising the Borba Village Specific Plan changing the land use designation on 14.6 (net) acres of land located at the northeast corner of Riverside Drive and Fern Avenue from medium density residential (11.1-25.0 dwelling units per acre) to low-medium density residential (5.1-11.0 dwelling units per acre); and amending the allowed land uses and establishing development standards to accommodate the development of small lot, single-family dwellings on the project site, not-to-exceed 130 dwelling units.

Notice of public hearing was duly given and affidavits of compliance are on file in the Records Management Department.

There were no written communications, and no one wishing to be heard, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-132** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN ADDENDUM TO THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION ADOPTED FOR FILE NOS. PGPA03-002, PZC03-004, PSP03-001 & TT16514, PREPARED FOR FILE NOS. PGPA13-002, PSPA13-001, PMTT13-009 (TT18911) AND PDEV13-017, FOR WHICH AN INITIAL STUDY WAS PREPARED, ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, AS AMENDED, AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF (APN: 1051-511-17).

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-133** RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING FILE NO. PGPA13-002, A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT REVISING THE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE POLICY PLAN, INCLUDING CHANGES TO EXHIBIT LU-01 (LAND USE PLAN) AND EXHIBIT LU-03 (FUTURE BUILDOUT) TO REFLECT A LAND USE CHANGE ON 14.6 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF FERN AVENUE AND RIVERSIDE DRIVE, FROM MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (11.1-25.0 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE) TO LOW-MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (5.1-11.0 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE), AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF APN: 1051-511-17.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-134** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING FILE NO. PSPA13-001, A SPECIFIC PLAN AMENDMENT REVISING THE BORBA VILLAGE SPECIFIC PLAN TO ACCOMMODATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL LOT SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS, NOT TO EXCEED 130 DWELLINGS, ON 14.6 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF FERN AVENUE AND RIVERSIDE DRIVE, AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF - APN: 1051-511-17.

**MOTION:** Moved by Council Member Dorst-Porada, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Bowman, and unanimously carried to adopt said Resolutions No. 2013-132, 2013-133 and 2013-134.

**10. A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A REQUEST TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF A 5.4-ACRE PARCEL FROM R2 TO R3, LOCATED AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF PHILADELPHIA STREET AND CUCAMONGA AVENUE**

City Council considered adoption of a Resolution approving a Mitigated Negative Declaration; accepted introduction and waived further reading of an Ordinance approving a Zone Change (File No. PZC13-001) from R2, Medium Density Residential (11.1-16 dus/acre) to R3, High Density Residential (16.1-25 dus/acre) for property located at 1056 East Philadelphia Street (APN: 1051-141-03).

Notice of public hearing was duly given and affidavits of compliance are on file in the Records Management Department.

There were no written communications, and no one wishing to be heard, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-135** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, FOR WHICH AN INITIAL STUDY WAS PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, AND ADOPTING A RELATED MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR FILE NOS., PZC13-001, PRD13-001, PDEV13-014 AND PMTT13-008 (TM 18909), AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF - APN: 1051-141-03.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2983** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING FILE NO. PZC13-001, A REQUEST TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF A 5.4-ACRE PARCEL FROM R2, MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (11.1 TO 16.0 DU/AC), TO R3. HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (16.1 TO 25.0 DU/AC), LOCATED AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF PHILADELPHIA STREET AND CUCAMONGA

AVENUE, AT 1056 EAST PHILADELPHIA AVENUE, AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF – APN: 1051-141-03.

**MOTION:** Moved by Council Member Dorst-Porada, seconded by Council Member Avila, and unanimously carried to adopt said Resolution No. 2013-135 and to accept introduction and first reading of the Ordinance.

11. **A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A REQUEST TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF A 0.57-ACRE PARCEL FROM AR TO R2, LOCATED NEAR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PALMETTO AVENUE AND PHILLIPS STREET**

City Council considered introduction and waived further reading of an Ordinance approving a Zone Change (File No. PZC13-003) from AR, Agriculture Residential (0-2.0 du\$/acre) to R2, Medium Density Residential (11.1-16 du\$/acre) for property located at 1229 South Palmetto Avenue (APN: 1011-551-01).

Notice of public hearing was duly given and affidavit of compliance is on file in the Records Management Department.

There were no written communications.

*Susana Castellanos* said she lives across from the property noting it has been for sale for a long time. She said it is a large home and there have been issues regarding building without permits. Ms. Castellanos said she feels this action will bring her property value down as there are parking issues and problems with prostitutes and drugs for which the police have been called. She said she does not feel it should be changed to apartments.

No one else requesting to be heard, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Council Member Wapner said a zone change has already occurred and this change is to provide consistency with the General Plan and assure entitlements are consistent.

**MOTION:** Moved by Council Member Wapner, seconded by Council Member Dorst-Porada, to accept the Ordinance for introduction and first reading.

Mayor Leon indicated the property has been restored to a nice looking home adding the back property has a lot of opportunity for development. He said he feels it will upgrade the property and increase its value.

Council Member Avila asked how Ms. Castellanos' property is zoned to which she responded that it is R-1. Mr. Avila said he has similar concerns and realizes there are changes coming and, though he feels there is no choice, he opposed

the Ordinance as stated. Mr. Avila is not questioning any amendments at the moment.

Mayor Leon invited *Nathan Reeves*, the property owner, to address Council. Mr. Reeves said he has tried to sell the property as is and added the rear house is undergoing considerable improvement and will be considered a separate residence resulting in two single-family dwellings; he added there is no intent to add apartments. Mr. Reeves indicated the previous owner converted the back house and discussion centered on its previous usage. He added that each home will have a two-car garage. Mayor Leon commended him for beautifying this property and converting it to a livable dwelling.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2984** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING FILE NO. PZC13-003, A REQUEST TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF A 0.57-ACRE PARCEL FROM AR, AGRICULTURE RESIDENTIAL (0 TO 2.0 DU/AC) TO MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL, R2 (11.1 TO 16.0 DU/AC), LOCATED NEAR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PALMETTO AVENUE AND PHILLIPS STREET, AT 1229 SOUTH PALMETTO AVENUE, AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF – APN: 1011-551-01.

**MOTION:** Moved by Council Member Wapner, seconded by Council Member Dorst-Porada, and carried with Council Member Avila voting “no” to accept introduction and first reading of the Ordinance.

## COUNCIL COMMENT

Council Member Wapner wished everybody Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year. He said he appreciates Council’s support.

Mayor pro Tem Bowman echoed the previous comments and added Ontario is a great city with staff who really contributes to the community. He requested a Fire Department representative report the success of the Spark of Love event.

*Ryan Lewis, President, Ontario Fire Fighters Association*, said there has been an extremely successful toy drive that filled 11 ½ buses which will be given away next Saturday for needy children throughout the Inland Empire.

Council Member Dorst-Porada said she feels a real sense of community and noted organizations coming together in the City including the move of the Jack Mercer Band from Gardiner Spring Auditorium to the Ontario Convention Center where 650 people gathered to hear the Christmas Program, and the Chamber of Commerce’s sing-a-long at the Ontario Bandstand on Saturday, December 21st. Council Member Dorst-Porada wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Council Member Avila announced the reorganization of the Ontario-Montclair School District's governing board where the incumbents were re-elected. He said he also attended Senator Gloria Negrete McLeod's workshop regarding scams and identify theft adding Detective Nelson of the Ontario Police Department gave a good presentation in cooperation with Federal Trade Commission representatives. He thanked the Mayor for allowing him the opportunity to finish ahead of him at the recent 5-K run where several hundred more people participated this year resulting in an increase to the Promise Scholars fund. He commended Deputy Sheriffs , Ruben Valencia and Deputy Sheriff Lorenzo McBride from Los Angeles County who saved the life of a woman who was attempting suicide. Council Member Avila said Ruben Valencia and Lorenzo McBride were commended by the La Puente City Council for valor. Council Member Avila noted this is the second time Mr. Valencia, who is a resident of Ontario, has received an award for valor. Council Member Avila said he objected to the Ordinance considered in Agenda Item #11 because of its impact on agricultural property that he would like to protect, but decided not to request an amendment and wished Mr. Reeves good luck with his development. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, adding these holidays promote caring for each other, and concluded by recognizing public safety employees who protect our citizens.

Mayor Leon announced the drive sponsored by the California Highway Patrol tomorrow at the Citizens Business Bank Arena for new toys; and the toy drive sponsored by First Mortgage from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Sixth Street and Mountain Avenue across from the theatre. The Mayor said the Reindeer Run is a time when the community pulls together every year and this year raised more than \$20,000 to benefit the Promise Scholars Program which puts college attendance within the reach of youth. He said they are raising the bar across the City. At a question from the Mayor, Director Mark Chase advised that the Recreation and Parks Department sponsors the event. Mayor Leon said it was a good time with people running in costume and encouraged the public to participate in costume next year.

Mayor Leon then recognized Administrative Services staff who were present in the chambers wearing their "MAD" (Making A Difference) shirts. Lorena Villa said the employees are here in force to thank City Manager Hughes for his leadership and commitment to the community; and to wish him and his family peace, health and wellness.

Fire Chief Floyd Clark said City Manager Hughes has seen a great run, and is special to this community. He added the City Manager has done a tremendous job and the Department is very thankful he has been a part of the Fire Department.

Police Chief Hopley noted he and Chris Hughes have come up through the ranks together adding Mr. Hughes really understands the needs of public safety. He said the Police Department has become better and better every year and he appreciates how Mr. Hughes took care of staff. Chief Hopley added that we are one of the leaders in law enforcement because of what Mr. Hughes has done for the Police Department.

Development Director Kroutil said the last three years have been a joy, and he knew City Manager Hughes would do well because of his history in the Fire Department but did not think he would hit it out of the park. Mr. Kroutil gave the City Manager a personal “Thank You” adding it has been a great ride.

Council Member Dorst-Porada reviewed the many projects that have been accomplished during Chris Hughes’ term including establishment of the Chaffey Art Museum, a new Continuum of Care building that will coordinate homeless care services, partnership with the Ontario-Montclair School District for the Promise Scholars Program, the City’s Facebook page and new website, use of Nixle in the Police Department, the police firing range, advancement of New Model Colony infrastructure, construction of the Milliken Avenue overpass, and establishment of the Set ONTario Free campaign to return local control of the airport. Ms. Porada noted all of this has been accomplished while the City Manager managed twelve departments including employee negotiations and a balanced budget without layoffs or furloughs, and reported to five Council Members; challenges that Mr. Hughes met successfully. She said “thank you for everything!”

Council Member Wapner said he and Chris Hughes have known each other for many years and he has seen him in all of his roles within the Fire Department and as City Manager. He thanked Mr. Hughes’ wife for lending him to City Hall for as long as she did. Mr. Wapner thanked Mr. Hughes for the quality time and said he hopes his son grows up to be like Mr. Hughes. He noted that Chris caught on much quicker than was anticipated and when faced with challenges, Chris Hughes addressed them proving himself to citizens and employees. Council Member Wapner said he will personally miss him and he appreciates a City Manager who understands how government works; adding he is happy for the guidance Mr. Hughes gave him when he was wrong. Mr. Wapner thanked him for a job incredibly well done. Council Member Avila noted he has not been in City Hall very long but understands Mr. Hughes is an individual with skills and finesse that made him effective. Mr. Avila said every time there is a new City Manager it brings on tremendous adjustments. He commented on Mr. Hughes ability to fill Greg Devereaux’s shoes and take the City in the right direction. He added that Chris does not take credit for the things he does, but deserves those credits; he always gives the credit to Council Members and does not seek any personal credit. Mr. Avila said he will miss Mr. Hughes and respects him a lot adding he knows what is important for the City and its employees and will be greatly missed. Council member Avila wished City Manager Hughes a good retirement.

Mayor pro Tem Bowman said Chris Hughes and he go back many years. He indicated the City cultivates a succession plan with advance training, and hiring the best people for the position. He said Chris Hughes is a consummate professional and a good manager who does this very well. He knows how to make the “rubber hit the road” and because of that, the City moves forward as one. City Manager Hughes has been very successful in carrying out Council’s policies.

Mayor Leon said he has enjoyed hearing everybody's feelings and impressions. Mr. Leon said he also thinks about the accomplishments of the City and the things Mr. Hughes took to heart and helped accomplish. The Mayor referred to the Healthy Ontario Initiative that was included in the City's General Plan and thanked him for his work on it; adding he was the perfect person to succeed Greg Devereaux because he brought his experience in safety services and melded well with staff. He noted that one effective characteristic of Chris Hughes is that he always says "goodbye" with a smile. The Mayor added this evening is very special with staff in attendance from Administrative Services to honor the City Manager. Mr. Hughes treated all with respect as he is a people person. The Mayor said Mr. Hughes was needed for that position and he is thankful for Mr. Boling who has learned many of Mr. Hughes skills. He noted that he has always contributed in a positive way for the City. Mayor Leon thanked Mr. Hughes for the years he has helped him understand City issues.

City Manager Hughes said he is overwhelmed and not in his comfort zone. He reminded Council Members that they took a chance on him when he went from Fire Chief to City Manager and that was a leap of faith. He said the only way he could be successful is with the employees he is working with; his success is because of them. Mr. Hughes reflected on the laundry list of projects Council Member Dorst-Porada referenced that were accomplished as a staff, and the employees made it happen. He credited his wife for her help and support saying he could not have done it without her.

Mayor Leon presented Chris Hughes with the Key to the City as employees held up large facial images of Mr. Hughes they brought as he received a standing ovation.

## ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Joint Agencies, the meetings were adjourned at 7:39 p.m. as the Mayor announced the regular meeting on January 7, 2014 has been cancelled and noted the next meeting on January 21, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,



MARY E. WIRTES, MMC, CITY CLERK/ SECRETARY

APPROVED:



PAUL S. LEON, MAYOR/ CHAIRMAN