Rio Vista City Council MINUTES

Thursday, June 5, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers One Main Street Rio Vista, California 94571

Roll Call

Present: Councilmembers Bhakta, Jones, Vice Mayor Kelly, Mayor Woodruff

Absent: Councilmember Vick

Flag Salute – Led by Gino Baroni

1. Public Comment

Bill Mortimore, resident, recognized two city employees, Scott Bahrenfuss and Butch Sieffert for providing assistance.

Robert Hubbell and Marci Rossi, River Delta School District, announced award of Grants, with a portion of Grant funds for Bates School and one of the Grants designated for Riverview and D.H. White after school programs during the school year, and thanked the City Council and the Community for their support during the application process.

2. Consent Calendar

- a. Acceptance of a grant of a waterline easement across Parcel B as shown on the official map of Trilogy Phase 7 from Shea Homes, Inc., with Resolution for adoption. **Resolution No. 2008-054**
- b. Authorizing the City Manager to sign the Standard Independent Contractor Agreement for Non-Profit Agencies between Greyhound Lines, Inc and the City of Rio Vista for selling and accepting their tickets on Rio Vista Delta Breeze, with Resolutions for adoption. **Resolution No. 2008-055**

Motion by Bhakta, seconded by Kelly, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Bhakta, Jones, Kelly, Mayor Woodruff

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmember Vick

3. Reports of Council and Staff

Fire Personnel were sworn in by the Interim City Clerk as follows:

Ashley Buruss, Firefighter

Scott Baroni, Firefighter

Jeffrey Greaves, Firefighter/Paramedic

Doug Rostykus, Fire Captain

The Treasurer's Report for the month of April 2008, was presented by City Treasurer Natalie Crew and accepted by the City Council.

John Andoh, Transit Coordinator, distributed a memo on the City's Participation in Solano Paratransit.

Other Staff reports included, but were not limited to Fire Inspection Program for Businesses, status of the Fire Department kitchen project, replacement of police vehicles, impact of low staffing in the Police Department and status of hiring for the Police Records Technician, status of Grant application for the Waterfront Bicycle and Pedestrian Pathways, preparation for audit and status of drafting the FY2008-2009 Budget, on-going meetings for the proposed water/wastewater rate increase, and recommendation for a Special Meeting to review the proposed Budget.

Council directed Staff to determine a Special Meeting date and time to review the proposed Budget and list the City's Participation in Solano Paratransit on a future agenda for discussion and consideration of the recommendations.

Council comments included, but were not limited to the Vice Mayor's office hours in the Library this Saturday, acknowledged Ginger Conrad's resignation from the Planning Commission, recognized upcoming badge pinning ceremony for Fairfield Fire Chief Vince Webster, a former employee of the Rio Vista Fire Department, and extended well wishes to former Mayor Marci Coglianese.

4. City Commission Reports / Chamber of Commerce Report

Airport Advisory Commissioner Simpson recognized other Airport Advisory Commissioners in attendance and reported on the status of the financial study; decision to continue with monthly meetings of the Commission; upcoming tour of the Airport; Travis lease terms, citing the benefit; and October 5th event at the Airport.

Vice Mayor Kelly requested the Commission communicate to the community the value of the Airport and promote up-coming events.

Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Linda Lannon announced the deadline for purchasing tickets is tomorrow, June 6th, for the "State of the City Address" to be held on June 11th.

5. Discuss and establish the formation of a Council Ad-hoc Committee for the water and wastewater rates

Councilmembers discussed the benefits of establishing and forming Ad-hoc Committees.

Council consensus to form a Council Ad-hoc Committee for the water and wastewater rate increases and appoint Councilmembers Jones and Vick.

6. Approving Rio Vista Sanitation Services Inc., request for a 6.6% cost of living increase for Garbage services effective July 1, 2008, with Resolutions for adoption.

City Manager Hector DeLaRosa presented the Staff Report, including background information and the terms of the Franchise Agreement, justification for the requested cost of living increase, options for Council consideration and recommendation to approve the 6.6% cost of living increase to be effective July 1, 2008.

Council discussed issues relating to the requested cost of living increase and options, including phasing the increase with 3.3% to be effective July 1, 2008 and 3.3% to be effective January 1, 2009.

Rio Vista Sanitation Staff concurred with Staff's recommendation to approve the 6.6% rate increase to be effective July 1, 2008.

Motion by Jones, seconded by Bhakta, to adopt **Resolution 2008-056** approving Rio Vista Sanitation Services, Inc. request for a 6.6% cost of living increase for garbage services effective July 1, 2008.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Councilmembers Bhakta, Jones, Kelly, Mayor Woodruff

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmember Vick

7. Approve agreements between the City and Siegried Engineering and between the City and Construction Testing Services for preparation of preliminary engineering, design work and soils studies for the City of Rio Vista Waterfront Promenade and Flood Control Project, with Resolutions for adoption.

Mayor Woodruff and Councilmember Jones announced a conflict prohibiting them from participating in discussion and action on this item.

City Attorney Ethan Walsh noted Councilmember Vick's absence from the meeting and advised the item be relisted on a future agenda due to the lack of a quorum.

8. Approving a Ground Lease Agreement with Dan Simpson for Land and the Construction of a Hangar at the Rio Vista Municipal Airport, with Resolutions for adoption.

Mayor Woodruff recommended this item be referred to the Airport Advisory Commission for review and recommendations.

City Manager Hector DeLaRosa referred to a copy of the City Attorney's letter to Commissioner Simpson regarding Conflict of Interest issues.

Commissioner Simpson spoke in support of Council recommendation to refer this issue to the Airport Advisory Commission and requested that all issues relating to the Airport be referred to the Commission.

Council consensus to refer this item to the Airport Advisory Commission for review and recommendation.

9. Approving a contract with Mr. Brent Salmi for Interim Public Works Project Management Services in an amount not to exceed \$14,000, with Resolutions for adoption.

City Manager Hector DeLaRosa presented the Staff Report on the proposed contract, including terms and scope of work.

Councilmembers discussion included terms of the proposed contract and scope of services.

No action was taken due to the lack of a motion.

10. Approving a contract with Mr. Kirt Hunter for Interim Public Works Director Services in an amount not to exceed \$23,000, with Resolutions for adoption.

City Manager Hector DeLaRosa spoke on Mr. Hunters's qualifications and a revision to Section 4 of the proposed contract, changing the amount of Compensation to \$85.00 per hour for a total not to exceed \$23,000, and a change to the Scope of Services, Exhibit A of the proposed contract.

Mayor Woodruff spoke in support, citing experience.

Motion by Bhakta, seconded by Kelly to adopt **Resolution No. 2008-057**, approving a contract with Mr. Kirt Hunter for Interim Public Works Director Services in an amount not to exceed \$23,000.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Councilmembers Bhakta, Jones, Kelly, Mayor Woodruff

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmember Vick

11. Call and give notice of the holding of a General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008 for the purpose of electing the Mayor, two members of the City Council and the City Treasurer and consolidating said Election of the same date, and requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Solano to permit the County Registrar of Voters to provide specified services in connection with said Election – November 4, 2008, with Resolutions for adoption.

Interim City Clerk Carolyn Parkinson presented the staff report and requested approval of staff's recommendations to adopt the resolution calling the General Municipal Election to be held November 4, 2008; adopt the resolution adopting regulations for Candidates and costs of Candidate Statements; establish a 200 word length for candidate statements and make a determination that candidates should pay the costs associated with the printing of Candidate Statements. She also advised of the nomination period, July 14, 2008 through August 8, 2008, with the provision that if an incumbent does not file papers, the nomination period for that particular office will be extended for five calendar days and clarified the five-day extended filing time does not apply to incumbents that did not file by the close of the regular filing period (August 8, 2008). Ms. Parkinson also stated the cost to a candidate for publishing his or her statement of qualifications in the sample ballot is \$244.00 and that printing the Candidate Statement in Spanish is optional at an additional cost of \$459.00. She concluded her presentation by stating there is no charge to take out papers; however, a City filing fee in the amount of \$25.00 is required when papers are filed.

Councilmembers and Mayor Woodruff discussed past City Council direction that Candidate Statements not exceed 200 words and that each Candidate paid the costs associated with typesetting and printing.

Motion by Jones, seconded by Kelly, to adopt **Resolution No. 2008-058** calling and giving notice of the holding of the General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, for the purpose of electing the Mayor, two Councilmembers and the City Treasurer, and that said election is be consolidated with the General Election of the same date, and requesting

the Board of Supervisors permit the County Registrar of Voters to provide specified services in connection with said election.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Councilmembers Bhakta, Jones, Kelly, Mayor Woodruff

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmember Vick

Motion by Kelly, seconded by Bhakta, to adopt **Resolution No. 2008-059** adopting regulations for Candidates pertaining to the General Municipal Election to be held November 4, 2008; established a maximum of 200 words for the statement of qualifications each candidate is allowed to place in the sample ballot and determined that each candidate should pay the associated costs.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Councilmembers Bhakta, Jones, Kelly, Mayor Woodruff

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmember Vick

Mayor Woodruff announced he would not seek reelection in November 2008 and City Treasurer Natalie Crew announced she would not seek reelection in November 2008.

12. Authorizing an Emergency Purchase of a used Vehicle for the Fire Department from Downtown Ford of Sacramento Under Title 13.12.370 - Exceptions to Competitive Bidding, with Resolutions for adoption

City Manager Hector DeLaRosa requested the Item be dropped from the agenda to be relisted at a later date, citing additional information on a purchase of a vehicle for the Fire Department from a local dealer.

Councilmembers and Mayor Woodruff spoke in support of the City using local Vendors and purchasing from local businesses.

Item dropped from the agenda to be relisted on a future agenda, pending additional information on a purchase of an acceptable vehicle from a local dealer.

Recess: 8:45 p.m. Reconvene: 9:00 p.m.

13. Closed Session

Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code 54957.6)

Designated Representatives: City Manager

Acting Finance Director

Employee Organizations:

Rio Vista Police Officer's Association

Rio Vista Professional Fire Fighters' Association

OPEIU Local 29 Mid-Management

OPEIU Local 29 Professional and Clerical

Closed Session

Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code 54957)

Title: City Attorney

Closed Session

Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code 54957)

Title: City Manager

Closed Session

Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Government Code 54956.8)

45 Main Street, Rio Vista, CA 94571

Negotiator: Hector De La Rosa, City Manager

Negotiating parties: Rio Vista Ministries and the City of Rio Vista

Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment

Closed Session Disclosure(s): No reportable action taken.

14. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned.

Carolyn Parkinson, MMC
Interim City Clerk