

**COUNCIL MINUTES
CITY OF PASO ROBLES**

ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, January 30, 2001 7:00 PM

7:30 PM - CONVENE REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles, meeting in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on the above date in the Library/City Hall Conference Center, was called to order by Mayor Frank Mecham.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Councilmembers George Finigan, Jim Heggarty, Gary Nemeth, Duane Picanco and Mayor Frank Mecham.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

1. Emergency Services Funding Options: Community Meetings

D. Hamp, Director of Emergency Services

Approve dates, places and times for community meetings.

Mayor Mecham opened the public hearing. There being no comments either written or oral, the public discussion was closed.

The Council, by general consensus, agreed to approve the dates, places and times for community meetings as follows:

Monday, February 12, 2001 (7:00-9:00 p.m.)

Monday, March 5, 2001 (7:00-9:00 p.m.)

Paso Robles Library/City Hall Conference Center, 1000 Spring Street

Monday, February 26, 2001 (7:00-9:00 p.m.)
Monday, March 12, 2001 (7:00-9:00 p.m.)
Paso Robles School District Board Room, 800 Niblick Rd.

It was also agreed, by general consensus, that the full Council would try to attend each meeting whenever possible.

2. Request for Proposals; General Plan Program

R. Lata, Community Development Director

Consider approving circulation of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a multi-year, multi-phase update to the City's General Plan.

Mayor Mecham opened the public hearing. There being no comments either written or oral, the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Nemeth, seconded by Councilmember Picanco, moved to authorize circulation of a Request for Proposals for the purpose of obtaining cost estimates for consideration during the FY 2001-2003 budget process, consolidating the program into two years so that all eight elements can be updated at the same time. Motion passed by the following roll call vote.

AYES: Finigan, Heggarty, Nemeth, Picanco and Mecham
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

3. Downtown Parking and Traffic Circulation

R. Lata, Community Development Director

Consider a proposed approach to addressing the long-range planning needs for downtown parking and traffic circulation.

Mayor Mecham opened the public hearing. Speaking from the public was Cort Thompson, Manager of Idler's. There being no further comments either written or oral, the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Nemeth, seconded by Councilmember Heggarty, moved to authorize staff to prepare and circulate a Request for Proposals based on the Draft Scope of Work described in the attached memorandum. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

4. Update to the City's Sphere of Influence

R. Lata, Community Development Director

Consider a process for updating the City's Sphere of Influence.

Mayor Mecham opened the public hearing. Speaking from the public were Marie Payne, Neil Olson, and Pat Mackie. There being no further comments either written or oral, the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Heggarty, seconded by Councilmember Finigan, moved to not pursue an amendment to the Sphere of Influence at this time, but instead focus on revising the Planning Impact Area (PIA) in conjunction with the upcoming General Plan program, leaving Sphere Amendments to be addressed on a project-by-project basis or to be studied by LAFCO at a later date, and directed staff to take the steps necessary to hold a single workshop to discuss Sphere of Influence boundaries, with notices to all property owners in the areas under discussion, along with the necessary appropriation... Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

5. Hillside Grading and Development Standards

R. Lata, Community Development Director

Provide staff with direction with regards to the City's Hillside Grading and Development Standards.

Mayor Mecham opened the public hearing. Speaking from the public were Pat Mackie, Mike Menath, Marie Payne, Wayne Harris, Dick Willhoit and Steve Martin. There being no further comments either written or oral, the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Picanco, seconded by Councilmember Nemeth, moved to direct staff to prepare a Request for Proposals (RFP) to obtain costs for a consultant with particular expertise and experience to assist the City in writing a new Hillside Grading and Development Standards; and in the interim staff was directed to return with a Code Amendment that would re-establish prior hillside grading standards and policies. Motion passed by the following unanimous roll call vote.

AYES: Finigan, Heggarty, Nemeth, Picanco and Mecham
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Council adjourned for a 15-minute recess at 8:45 PM.

6. Data Access – City Council

D. McCue, Information Systems Manager

Consider enhancing Councilmember access to City and other relevant data by assigning computers for Council's use.

Mayor Mecham opened the public hearing. Speaking from the public were Pat Mackie, Mike Calloway and Steve Martin. There being no further comments either written or oral, the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Finigan, seconded by Councilmember Heggarty, moved to install and pay for telephone lines at each Councilmembers' home and purchase two notebooks for Council's shared use. Motion was withdrawn.

Councilmember Finigan, seconded by Councilmember Nemeth, moved to approve an amended resolution to approve a budget approval of \$28,000 to provide Council access to the City's information system. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Finigan, Heggarty, Nemeth and Mecham
NOES: Picanco
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

7. Council Policies and Procedures

J. App, City Manager

Consider development of written policies and procedures as guidelines for the conduct of their Office and business of the City.

Mayor Mecham opened the public hearing. Speaking from the public was Marie Payne. There being no further comments either written or oral, the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Nemeth, seconded by Councilmember Finigan, moved to have Council submit their suggestions and comments on policy and procedures to the City Manager and direct staff to provide a Policy & Procedure Manual rough draft. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

8. Park Playground Grant

J. Deakin, Public Works Director

Consider adopting a resolution authorizing staff to apply for a State grant, which assists local agencies in (1) meeting state and federal accessibility standards relating to public playgrounds and (2) conserving resources and developing markets for recycled-content materials and equipment.

Mayor Mecham opened the public hearing. There being no comments either written or oral, the public discussion was closed.

Councilmember Nemeth, seconded by Councilmember Heggarty, moved to adopt Resolution No. 01-21 authorizing staff to submit an application to the California Integrated Waste Management Board for a 00/01 Park Playground Accessibility and Recycling Grant Program. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

It was moved by Councilmember Picanco, seconded by Councilmember Heggarty, and passed by unanimous voice vote to adjourn from regular session at 10:12 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: to THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2001, 7:30 PM AT THE LIBRARY/CITY HALL CONFERENCE CENTER, 1000 SPRING STREET.

Submitted:

Sharilyn M. Ryan, Deputy City Clerk
Approved: March 6, 2001

