



**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

REGULAR MEETING

RUSH PARK
3021 Blume Drive
Rossmoor, California

Tuesday, May 13, 2014

A. ORGANIZATION

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 P.M.**
- 2. ROLL CALL: Directors Coletta, Casey, Kahlert, DeMarco
President Maynard**

PRESIDENT MAYNARD REQUESTED THAT A MOMENT OF SILENCE BE OBSERVED AT THIS TIME FOR ROSSMOOR RESIDENT MICHAEL A. GAL, WHO WENT MISSING ON MAY 5, 2014, AND THE HOPES FOR HIS SAFE RETURN TO HIS FAMILY.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PRESENTATIONS:

a. Presentations: LAUSD Proclamations-President Michael Maynard

1. Proclamation in Recognition of Educational Excellence-LAUSD California Distinguished School, Hopkinson Elementary School.
2. Proclamation in Recognition of Educational Excellence- LAUSD California Distinguished School, Weaver Elementary School.
3. Proclamation in Recognition of Mr. Justin Padilla as Los Alamitos School District Teacher of the Year.

President Maynard presented Hopkinson and Weaver Elementary Schools Principal with Proclamations of Educational Excellence for their recent state designation as California Distinguished Schools. He also presented Los Alamitos Unified School District Music Teacher, Justin Padilla with a Proclamation for his designation as 2014 Teacher of the Year. Photos were taken. Applause ensued.

b. Lt. Robert Gunzel re: Quarterly Crime Statistics.

Lieutenant Rob Gunzel began by congratulating the Los Alamitos Unified School District regarding their exemplary coordination and cooperation with law enforcement in response to a recent bomb threat hoax at Lee Elementary School in Rossmoor. He added that all school personnel were highly professional in helping law enforcement respond to the situation and ensure student safety and he appreciated their assistance. He also stated that the minor student responsible for the hoax was currently being counseled.

Lt. Gunzel proceeded to report on Rossmoor's Quarterly Crime Statistics. Discussion ensued relative to quarterly crime pattern observations and development, crimes of opportunity, and crime trends.

Lieutenant Gunzel introduced a new Investigator Captain Jim Rudy. Captain Rudy greeted the Board and briefed them on his role in the Rossmoor community. He discussed the latest technology available to help law enforcement personnel combat crime.

Director Coletta had questions relative to improving interagency communications. President Maynard thanked Captain Rudy and encouraged him to meet with the General Manager and staff at his earliest opportunity and work with them to familiarize himself with the nuances of the Rossmoor community.

B. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA—None

C. PUBLIC FORUM:

Incumbent James Fisler introduced himself to the Board, briefed them on his background and discussed how he was the best qualified candidate to represent Rossmoor as Alternate on the LAFCO Board.

Richard Freschi introduced himself to the Board, briefed them on his background and discussed how he was the best qualified candidate to represent Rossmoor as Alternate on the LAFCO Board.

Beverly Houghton, Rossmoor Community Festival Coordinator, thanked the Board and staff for their participation in this year's festival.

Milt Houghton-reported to the Board on his recent activities as the RHA liaison to the local School District. He discussed the excellence and popularity of the Los Alamitos Unified School District. He also announced that the RHA High School Scholarship Award would be presented at the next RHA Board Meeting with a 1st Place award in the amount of \$6,000. Finally, he discussed the School Board's efforts to mitigate student transportation-related traffic within the community by staggering the elementary school start times next year.

D. REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

1. REPORT ON STATUS OF THE I-405 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Recommendation to receive the report and provide direction to Director Casey and the General Manager on future project initiatives.

The General Manager stated that as reported at the April Board meeting, the Board has heard public input, discussed project alternatives and taken actions to inform the OCTA Board of Directors regarding the District's Preferred Alternative 1. The OCTA has met and approved Alternative 1 (one additional lane in each direction). However, a final decision is yet to be made by Caltrans which is needed to move ahead with OCTA's approval of Alternate 1. Caltrans could ultimately decide a project design of their own choosing.

The Corridor Cities (a group of cities along the I-405 corridor) have previously lobbied for Alternative 1 (one general purpose lane in each direction). While not a true member of the 'Cities', Rossmoor has been asked to support their initiatives. The District's Board, on several occasions, has acted to support Alternative 1. The 'Cities' are now proposing a modified Alternative 2 (one general purpose lane in each direction and one HOV lane in each direction with a number of caveats).

Director Casey, the District's representative for this issue, reported that he had received a copy of the 'Cities' letter to OCTA and updated the Board on the latest developments. As of now, the District has taken no formal action to join with the 'Cities' in submission of a letter to OCTA proposing a new or modified alternative. Therefore this only intended to keep the Board and Rossmoor residents informed about the status of the project.

Discussion ensued relative to RCSD jurisdiction, CalTrans motivations and strategies for the District's participation in future meetings involving this issue. General Counsel opined relative to researching options, drafting a Resolution and agendaizing the item for consideration at the next Board meeting. The report was received and filed.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

1a. MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING—April 8, 2014

2. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE REPORT— March 2014

3. QUARTERLY STATUS REPORT.

4. QUARTERLY RECREATION REPORT

5. QUARTERLY TREE REPORT.

The consent calendar was unanimously approved as submitted. Motion passed 5-0.

F. PUBLIC HEARING-None

G. RESOLUTIONS—None

H. REGULAR CALENDAR:

1. PUBLIC WORKS/CIP COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS RE: PRELIMINARY FY 2014-2015 FUND 40 BUDGET AND PROJECT LIST.

Recommendation to receive the report of the Public Works/CIP Committee recommending revised FY 2014-2017 project lists and proposed budgets for inclusion with the FY 2014-2015 Preliminary Budget.

The General Manager reported that staff was researching additional funding sources in order to complete projects on the CIP Project list and. The Public Works/CIP Committee reported that they concurred with staff recommendations. Brief discussion ensued.

The report of the Public Works/CIP Committee recommending revised FY 2014-2017 project lists and proposed budgets for inclusion with the FY 2014-2015 Preliminary Budget was received and filed.

2. BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS RE: PRELIMINARY FY 2014-2015 ANNUAL BUDGET AND SALARY PLAN.

Recommendation to receive the report of the Committee and provide direction to the General Manager regarding the formulation of an FY 2014-2015 Final Budget and FY 2014-2015 Annual Salary Plan.

The General Manager reported that in accordance with Board policy, the General Manager has presented a proposed Preliminary Budget for FY 2014-2015 to the Budget Committee. Further, the General Manager has developed Estimates to Close (ETC's) prior to April 30th which are a part of the proposed budget. Estimates indicate that the FY 2013-2014 Final Budget will close with approximately \$1,080 of budgeted revenue over budgeted expenses. He concluded by stating that the Board would be asked to approve a "Notice of Publication" of the FY 2014-2015 Final Budget at the June 10, 2014 meeting.

President Maynard had questions relative to the salary plan comparisons chart. Director Kahlert provided clarification. The report of the Committee regarding the formulation of a FY 2014-2015 Final Budget and FY 2014-2015 Annual Salary Plan was received and filed.

3. RENEWAL OF BREAIT AGREEMENT RE: PROVISION OF IT SERVICES

Recommendation to Authorize the General Manager to execute a renewed three-year Agreement with the City of Brea to maintain the District's computer system and equipment.

The General Manager reported The Proposal provides for a three-year, one-day a week on-site presence to handle minor computer issues with an on-call help desk to deal with unexpected circumstances. Brea currently has on-site personnel at Los Alamitos four half days a week. This proximity means that we have a very quick emergency response, when needed. The only increase to our current cost of \$105 per hour for the next, second and third year of the Agreement are costs based the annual Orange County CPI index. BreaIT is a full service organization with a staff of 24 individuals whose breadth and depth of experience provides a valuable resource for whatever needs should arise. Moreover, their response rate for emergency service is superior.

Discussion ensued relative to clarification regarding the length of the contract, contract expiration, indemnification and termination clause language. Director Kahlert expressed dissatisfaction with being locked into a three-year agreement with Brea IT and stated that he would prefer a one-year term. President Maynard had questions relative to warranties and insurance. General Counsel stated that he had reviewed the contract and the language contained within was standard and appropriate, however he would be happy to alter it at the will of the Board.

Motion by Director Coletta, seconded by Director DeMarco to authorize the General Manager to execute a renewed three-year Agreement with the City of Brea to maintain the District's computer system and equipment. Motion passed 3-2, with President Maynard and Director Kahlert voting No.

4. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER RE: THE PLACEMENT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS CO. SMART METERS AND TRANSMISSION ANTENNAS WITHIN THE DISTRICT.

Receive the oral report of the General Manager regarding the installation of Smart Meters and transmission antennas (data collection units) in Rossmoor.

General Manager James Ruth reported that at the March, 2014 meeting of the Board, the General Manager reported on meetings with County officials regarding the placement of data collection units (antennas) in Rossmoor. The County has agreed to study the matter from a permit and franchise perspective and will not issue additional permits until it concludes its review. On May 5, 2014, the Board received an update on meetings with County officials. The General Manager concluded that the County was actively pursuing a satisfactory solution on behalf of the District and that he would keep the Board apprised of any future developments in this regard.

Director Coletta thanked President Maynard and Director Casey for doing a great job representing the interests of the community. The report was received and filed.

5. REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS-FUNDING FOR 4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR

Recommendation to authorize General Manager to contribute funds in the amount of \$6,200 to the 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular event at the JFTB. The General Manager added that funds were already set aside in the budget for this purpose.

Motion by Director Coletta, seconded by Director Kahlert to authorize the General Manager to contribute funds in the amount of \$6,200 to the 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular event at the JFTB. Motion passed 5-0.

6. BALLOT AND DECLARATION OF QUALIFICATION TO VOTE RE: LAFCO ALTERNATE SPECIAL DISTRICT ALTERNATE

Discussion and possible action to select candidate for election as Alternate Special District Member to LAFCO and to authorize General Manager to submit Declaration of Qualification to Vote and Ballot to LAFCO. The candidates were Incumbent James R. Fisler, President, Mesa Water District and Richard Freschi, ISDOC President.

Discussion ensued relative to candidate qualifications. It was the consensus of the Board to table the item until the June 10, 2014 agenda, until the Board had an opportunity to further research each candidate.

I. GENERAL MANAGER ITEMS—None

J. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

Director Coletta stated that he looked forward to the upcoming Rossmoor Advisory Committee (RAC) Meeting on Wednesday, May 21, 2014.

Director Casey reiterated his concerns about CalTrans Director Dougherty's attitude regarding I-405 Project toll lanes Alternatives. He added that he looked forward to the next board meeting and making some good progress toward getting the RCSD represented at these critical I-405 Project meetings. He also suggested making a plan going forward as time was of the essence.

Director Kahlert thanked the RHA and RCSD staff for a great 2014 Community Festival. He reminded the public about the upcoming Memorial Day holiday weekend and urged drivers to be extra cautious and safe as there were many college students traveling home at this time. He concluded by commenting that the Youth Center Summer Camp program would likely see a rise in attendance due to the recent Scott Durzo Sports Camp scandal, so staff should prepare themselves for this possibility.

Director DeMarco stated that he attended the Rossmoor Community Festival with his family and had a great time. He thanked all of the volunteers who worked so hard to make this year such a success. He also thanked the new Captain Jim Rudy with the Orange County Sheriff's Department for his appearance earlier this evening, congratulated Oak Middle School, Hopkinson and Weaver Elementary Schools and Principal Kominsky for her attendance.

President Maynard encouraged everyone to make time to research candidates and vote in the upcoming primary election as there were two excellent candidates on the ballot for Orange County Supervisor. He reminded everyone of the impact this had on Rossmoor. Finally, he cautioned the public to drive safe and sober this Memorial Holiday weekend.

AT 9:14 P.M. THE BOARD ADJOURNED TO A CLOSED SESSION

K. CLOSED SESSION:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of Case: RCSD v. Steven Wickser, et al.
OC Superior Court Case No.30-2013-00687577-CU-MC-CJC.

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2)

AT 10:00 P.M. THE BOARD RECONVENED FROM CLOSED SESSION

General Counsel stated that at approximately 9:14 p.m. pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) and Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2) the Board adjourned to closed session. The Board discussed two items on the agenda. There was no reportable action.

L. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Director Casey, seconded by Director Kahlert to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:05 p.m. Motion passed 5-0.

SUBMITTED BY:

**James D. Ruth
General Manager**