
MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, June 13, 2007

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Cooper called the regular City Council meeting of June 13, 2007 to order at 6:32 p.m.

Present: Mayor Cooper, Mayor Pro Tem Leary, Council Members Davis, Hume, and Scherman

Absent: None.

Councilmember Gary Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Cooper asked that a moment of silence be observed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: M/S Scherman/Leary to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Agenda Item No. 4.1: Integrated Waste Program Manager Cedar Kehoe provided an update regarding summer e-waste events. Ms. Kehoe announced the e-waste collection events will be held on June 23 at Franklin High School from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., on July 23 at Pleasant Grove High School, and on August 18, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Monterey Trails High School. She recognized the Elk Grove Unified School District for use of their facilities to hold the events. Ms. Kehoe displayed educational posters distributed through the school district and "Flip-the-Lid" stickers for the recycling containers.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Betty Williams, President of the Sacramento Chapter of the NAACP, requested a meeting with the City Council and City Manager to discuss the minority recruitment policy for police officer positions. The City Manager's staff was directed to follow up with Ms. Williams.

Lisa Dixon referring to recommendations by the Trails Committee, encouraged the City Council to embrace the maximum amenity levels. Addressing the mall development, Ms. Dixon made the observation that the City is merely "normal" and is not taking advantage of opportunities to make the City special or unique. Ms. Dixon encouraged the Council to seize remaining opportunities to maximize and create unique amenities.

Phillip Stark announced that the 2nd Annual Elk Grove Photo contest is underway and encouraged participation. The award is sponsored by the Elk Grove Old Town Foundation.

There being no remaining requests to speak, **Mayor Cooper** closed the public comment opportunity.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Public Comment:

Tom Shine questioned the expenditure of funds proposed by Agenda Item No. 6.15, given the financial constraints of the City. He compared the proposed costs to those of the Sacramento Bee or the Elk Grove Citizen.

In relation to Agenda Item No. 6.1 and in response to Mayor Cooper's question regarding staff's recommendation to waive the bid process, **Chief Simmons** responded that staff did not feel it necessary to seek new proposals as Ford projected the lowest cost and a working relationship and processes have already been established.

Motion: M/S Leary/Scherman to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0.

Agenda Item No. 6.1: **Resolution No. 2007-116** adopted suspending the City's competitive bidding requirement and authorizing the City Manager to execute a purchase order with Elk Grove Ford for Police Fleet Maintenance Services not to exceed \$250,000 for a term expiring June 30, 2008

Agenda Item No. 6.2: Approved General Warrant No. 28742 through 29913 dated April 2, 2007 through May 30, 2007 and Electronic Fund Transfer 2007098 through 2007125

Agenda Item No. 6.3: **Resolution No. 2007-117** adopted approving the Transportation Development Act Claim and authorizing its submission to Sacramento Area Council of Governments for Local Transportation Funds and State Transit Assistance for Fiscal Year 2007-08

Agenda Item No. 6.4: **Resolution No. 2007-118** adopted adding job titles and salary ranges for the positions of Risk Analyst and Transit Planner, and modifying the salary range for the position of Purchasing Manager

Agenda Item No. 6.5: **Resolution No. 2007-119** adopted appointing City representatives to the Public Agency Risk Sharing Authority of California Board of Directors and delegating authority to approve amendments to the Joint Powers Agreement

Agenda Item No. 6.6: **Resolution No. 2007-120** adopted authorizing submittal of application for Fiscal Year 2007-08 Used Oil Recycling Block Grant

Agenda Item No. 6.7: **Resolution No. 2007-121** adopted approving contract in an amount not to exceed \$242,000 with The Howard Agency for production of the Integrated Waste Department's residential outreach material

Agenda Item No. 6.8: **Resolution No. 2007-122** adopted authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Spinitar for the operation and maintenance of the City Hall audio visual equipment in an amount not to exceed \$170,000 for a contract term of 30 months

Agenda Item No. 6.9: Received 2006 Annual Growth Report

Agenda Item No. 6.10: **Resolution No. 2007-123** adopted authorizing the Mayor to execute an Easement for Sewer Purposes over a portion of City-owned Lot B in Subdivision No. 04-764.01 The Grove at Laguna Ridge Village 1

Agenda Item No. 6.11: **Resolution No. 2007-124** adopted accepting subdivision improvements as complete for Arcadian Village Unit 4 Phases 1 and 2 and Bond Road 40

Agenda Item No. 6.12: **Resolution No. 2007-125** adopted authorizing the Facilities Manager to call for bids for maintenance contracts for City-owned facilities

Agenda Item No. 6.13: **Resolution No. 2007-126** adopted authorizing the City Manager to execute a construction contract in the amount of \$323,900 with CAL,

Inc. for the demolition of buildings at the Sheldon Road/State Route 99 Interchange Reconstruction Project site and to authorize an additional \$45,000 in contingency funds for authorization by City Engineer as needed for additional unforeseen cleanup work

Agenda Item No. 6.14: **Resolution No. 2007-127** adopted authorizing the City Manager to reduce the amount of performance security for the Public Improvement Agreement with Reynen and Bardis (Laguna Ridge) LP regarding required backbone infrastructure for Phase 2 of the Laguna Ridge Specific Plan

Agenda Item No. 6.15: **Resolution No. 2007-128** adopted authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Sharp Public Affairs for the production of the City's community newsletter in an amount not to exceed \$360,793.50 for a term up to three years

Agenda Item No. 6.16: Received report on City Manager approved purchases and contracts authorized by City Purchasing Ordinance, filed through June 1, 2007

Agenda Item No. 6.17: Approved City Council Minutes of a) May 16, 2007 Special Meeting, b) May 23, 2007 Special Meeting; and c) May 23, 2007 Regular Meeting as presented

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Agenda Item No. 7.1: A public hearing to consider adoption of resolution confirming the written report of Fiscal Year 2007-08 service charges and establishing Fiscal Year 2007-08 service charges for certain miscellaneous extended services in the Laguna West Service Area

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt resolution confirming the written report of Fiscal Year 2007-08 service charges and establishing Fiscal Year 2007-08 service charges for certain miscellaneous services in the Laguna West Service Area.

Michael McGrane, Budget Manager, provided an overview of the staff report and recommendation.

Mayor Cooper declared the public hearing open at 6:50 p.m. and opened the public comment opportunity.

Public Comment:

With no public requests to speak, **Mayor Cooper** closed the public comment opportunity and declared the public hearing closed at 6:50 p.m.

In response to **Councilmember Hume's** question on increased cost for non-street sweeping road maintenance benefit parcels, Mr. McGrane explained that a one-year respite was taken. Looking at and comparing charges to the prior year, the projected cost is approximately one-third.

Motion: ***M/S Leary/Hume*** to adopt **Resolution No. 2007-129** confirming the written report of Fiscal Year 2007-08 service charges and establishing Fiscal Year 2007-08 service charges for certain miscellaneous services in the Laguna West Service Area. ***The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0***

Agenda Item No. 7.2: A public hearing to consider the Sterling Meadows Project No. EG-01-130 General Plan Amendment(s) and Rezone

RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning Commission recommends denial of the Sterling Meadows General Plan Amendment and Rezone.

Mayor Cooper declared the public hearing open at 6:52 p.m.

Christine Crawford, Planning Director, provided an overview of the staff report, project history, and recommendation. Ms. Crawford noted that while the project includes a tentative subdivision map approval, the issue before the Council tonight is the greater policy issue of including residential zoning between commercial and retail zoning. She also noted that the multi-family site will be overlaid with a temporary water quality and storage retention basin for at least ten years. The City, therefore, would not be able to use it in its affordable housing inventory.

Ms. Crawford referred the Council to supplemental information (filed) submitted for Council review relative to a water retention/treatment basin. Ms. Crawford referred to supplemental materials distributed (filed) and explained that M&H Realty has initiated plans for a retention/treatment basin on its property rather than to delay its project awaiting approval of the Sterling Meadows project. Ms. Crawford noted the Planning Commission's 4-1 recommendation to deny project approval.

Chun Pong Ng, representing the applicant, Award Homes, provided a lengthy presentation. Referring to Council discussions during the adoption of the general plan relative to land use, Mr. Ng asserted that there was no Council conclusion that Sterling Meadows must devote a substantial amount land to office and commercial uses. Mr. Ng contested staff's assertion that the project would diminish the synergy if located between the retail and office zones and questioned the feasibility of establishing corporate office centers.

Mr. Ng enumerated the project benefits: minimizing driving, encouraging pedestrian uses, minimization of sprawl, start-up housing, economic development stimulation. Mr. Ng pledged participation in providing for a retention basin. He noted that the applicant has approached M & H Realty to prepare for an alternate basin solution should the facility be designated a permanent basin, as the land is needed to satisfy the multi-family housing component of the project. He noted that agreement has not yet been reached with M & H Realty.

Public Comment:

Lynn Wheat expressed her concern for adequate planning for stormwater runoff and questioned what other progressive options there may be. She was in favor of live-work housing and urged the City to look more closely at the transportation planning. Ms. Wheat supported the Planning Commission's recommendation to deny project approval.

With no additional public requests to speak, **Mayor Cooper** closed the public comment opportunity.

In rebuttal, Mr. Ng stated he felt the Public Works Department will in the future seek other drainage solutions other than a retention basin.

Councilmember Leary questioned Planning staff's opposition to the project even though the applicant has repeatedly complied and accommodated staff's requests to modify the project. Councilmember Leary questioned how Council's direction to support consideration of a live-work project at this location was misunderstood by staff.

Planning Director Christine Crawford responded that from project inception, it has been communicated to the applicant that staff does not feel that this project satisfies the intent of the General Plan at a policy level. Even so, the applicant elected to proceed.

Mayor Cooper declared the public hearing closed at 7:37 p.m.

Councilmembers Davis and Hume cited concerns about the project.

Councilmember Hume further explained that he would be more inclined to consider approval of the project if reconfigured to include the office/commercial use to maintain the integrity of the streetscape, and move the live-work lofts to the northside of the project.

In response to **Councilmember Scherman's** question on the retention basin, **Bob Lee**, City Engineer, responded that the mall is planning its own retention area.

Public Works is working on a master plan for the drainage system. Relative to the safety of the basin, Mr. Lee responded that there is no plan to install a fence around the basin.

Cheryl Creson, Public Works Director, noted that in the design of the basin, safety is always considered. The safety will depend on the design.

Mayor Cooper voiced his support for the project. He also encouraged the applicant to take Councilmember Hume's recommendation for reconfiguration into consideration.

Motion: M/S Leary/Cooper directing staff to return necessary documents to approve a General Plan Amendment, Rezone, with the tentative subdivision map to be reviewed by the Planning Commission. ***The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 3; Noes: 2 (Davis, Hume)***

REGULAR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Agenda Item No. 8.1: Adoption of the proposed 2007-12 Capital Improvement Program Budget

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution approving the 2007-12 Capital Improvement Program Budget and authorizing appropriations for projects and programs for Fiscal Year 2007-08.

Michael McGrane, Budget Manager, and **Diane Nguyen**, Capital Projects Manager, provided an overview of the staff report and recommendation (Presentation filed).

In response to **Councilmember Scherman's** question on the status of roadway projects in East Elk Grove pending finalization of the rural roadway standards completion, **Ms. Nguyen** responded that the Bradshaw and Waterman projects have been removed from the program with no work during the 2007-08 fiscal year. The rural road projects will return for Council direction once the public scoping meetings have taken place, standards are completed and the funding is identified.

Relative to roadway fees, **Mayor Cooper** requested an audit be done to identify funds collected and expended during the 2006-07 fiscal year. He questioned what projects were proposed for funding at the beginning of 2006-07 fiscal year and what roadway fees were expended that were not budgeted. Referring to Laguna Ridge, he questioned whether there are roadway funds to reimburse Laguna Ridge developers for completed infrastructure. He questioned whether there is a deficit in the roadway fees fund.

Councilmember Scherman recommended that in lieu of an audit, staff provide a report delineating expenditures for Council review. If the report does not satisfy Council's concerns, she will support an audit.

Assistant City Manager Jim Estep responded that staff will be able to provide a full accounting of the roadway fund status and to clarify which projects were roadway fund eligible.

As a result of Council discussions, the reporting period was expanded to include the 2005-06 and 2006-07 fiscal years.

Mayor Pro Tem Leary was concerned that with the knowledge market trends were pointing downward, staff did not provide the Council with the opportunity to make adjustments. He expected that the projections should have been presented to Council and that the Council should have been afforded the opportunity to adjust projects and funding as appropriate.

In response to **Councilmember Davis'** question on the audit of expenditures, **Mr. McGrane** responded that the entire City is audited annually, but perhaps not to the level of detail being requested of this fund. Councilmember Davis expressed an interest in knowing how these funds have been leveraged as a result of investment. He questioned what assumptions were built into previous year CIPs and how projects in the CIP were planned for as a result of a downturn in the market versus a shortage of funds.

City Manager John Danielson provided clarification on the projections and explained that the proposed CIP conservatively includes only those projects with the highest priority, providing the City Council with the opportunity over a five-year period to have input in the capital projects prioritization. He also explained that any consideration of increasing the roadway fund fees in the future is not related to a shortfall in funds.

Ms. Nguyen provided additional clarification that of the seven projects halted, six are rural roadway projects. She explained that the chart displayed is a planning tool relating to roadway fees and does not reflect funding. Gas tax and Measure A funds are not included in the chart.

Public Comment:

The following persons provided public comment for Council consideration: Tom Shine, representing GRESHA, and John Ferguson, representing Waterman Park (exhibits filed).

Staff confirmed that the widening of the Sheldon/Waterman and Sheldon/Bradshaw intersections will comply with the future rural roads standards based on Council's direction.

Mr. Ferguson addressed the Waterman/Bradshaw Road widening project.

Bob Lee, City Engineer, noted that the Waterman/Bradshaw project has not been defunded, but staff is reviewing what other funds might be available to complete the project.

Motion: M/S Scherman/Leary to adopt Resolution No. 2007-130 approving the 2007-12 Capital Improvement Program Budget and authorizing appropriations for projects and programs for Fiscal Year 2007-08, directing a report back to the City Council on appropriations and expenditures, including funds expended, not budgeted for fiscal years 2005-06 and 2006-07, with direction to staff to include language on the applicability of the rural road standards to the Sheldon/Bradshaw and Sheldon/Waterman intersections as directed by Council. ***The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0***

Agenda Item No. 8.2: Consider amendments to the approved 2007-08 Fiscal Year Budget to designate funding for Council priority projects and Community Service Grants

RECOMMENDATION:

Provide direction on any amendments to the Fiscal Year 2007-08 approved budget.

Michael McGrane, Budget Manager, provided an overview of the staff report and recommendation.

Public Comment:

The following persons provided comment for Council consideration: Jack Tomey (Federal Technology Center) and Jane Seymour (Fine Arts Festival).

With no additional requests to speak, **Mayor Cooper** closed the public comment opportunity at 8:59 p.m.

The City Council provided clarification on budget allocations within the adopted 2007-08 Fiscal Year Budget:

Community Service Grant allocations:

Animal Rescue League

\$ 10,000

Chicks in Crisis	10,000
Sacramento County	
Department of Human Assistance	
Senior Nutrition Services	14,135
Elk Grove Adult Community Training	25,000
Elk Grove Artists	5,000
Elk Grove Community Concert Band	1,775
Elk Grove Community Food Bank Services	60,000
Elk Grove Community Foundation	10,000
Elk Grove Rotary Foundation –	
Youth Incentive Mentor Program	10,000
Elk Grove Veteran's Day Parade	3,000
Elk Grove Western Festival	2,000
Fine Arts Festival of Elk Grove	5,000
Franklin High School Link Crew	4,000
Human Rights/Fair Housing Commission	10,000
Project R.I.D.E.	11,900
Straus Festival of Elk Grove	15,000
The Federal Technology Center	5,000
The Jon Johnson Assist One Foundation	5,000
The Old Town Elk Grove Foundation	5,000

Council direction given on Council Priority Projects funding was as follows:

Charter Exploratory/Election Reform Committee	\$150,000
City Services Review	80,000
Council Interns	50,000

There was Council consensus to return additional information to the Council on July 11 relative the planning academy and funding a youth czar and events coordinator.

The Council waived the Rules of Procedure to hear items after 10 p.m.

Agenda Item No. 8.3: Consider the issuance and approval of the Community Facilities District No. 2005-1 (Laguna Ridge) Series 2007 Bonds, approval of related bond documents, an acquisition agreement, a designation agreement, and authorizing other related matters

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of first supplemental fiscal agent agreement, a bond purchase agreement, a continuing disclosure certificate, an acquisition agreement, a designation agreement; authorizing the issuance of

bonds; approving the form and distribution of the official statement and authorizing other related actions.

Andrew Griffin, Finance Analyst, provided an overview of the staff report and recommendation.

Public Comment:

None.

Motion: M/S Leary/Davis to adopt Resolution No. 2007-131 authorizing the execution and delivery of first supplemental fiscal agent agreement, a bond purchase agreement, a continuing disclosure certificate, an acquisition agreement, a designation agreement; authorizing the issuance of bonds; approving the form and distribution of the official statement and authorizing other related actions. ***The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0***

Agenda Item No. 8.4: Provide direction to staff regarding a Triangle Special Planning Area amendment related to commercial building size limitation

RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning Commission recommends that Council direct staff to begin developing a Special Planning Area amendment that would limit the square footage of commercial structures in the Triangle Special Planning Area.

Sarah Kirchgessner, Planner, provided an overview of the staff report and recommendation.

Public Comment:

Mayor Cooper opened the public comment opportunity.

Jennifer Daw of Holloway Rasmussen and Mulodonoff, representing property owner Jerry Cookson, conveyed no support for an amendment to the Triangle Special Planning Area. Ms. Daw requested Council reject the Planning Commission's recommendation to direct staff to initiate an SPA amendment in the Triangle Special Planning Area limiting the square footage of commercial structures.

Jerry Cookson (filed maps) iterated the history of his efforts to develop commercial property at Elk Grove Boulevard and Grant Line Road. He requested the Council return the item to the Planning Commission with direction that the Planning Commission would work with himself with no study, to approve the mixed use overlay as suggested by Planning staff or to replace the commercial overlay to its discretion.

John Firebaugh expressed support for conducting a study to review and protect against over-commercialization of the area. Should Council direct the amendment, he encouraged that development be conducive to the rural nature of the area, prohibiting big or medium box stores.

Janine Jenovino supported the recommendation to amend the Triangle Special Planning Area and retaining a rural flavor to commercial development.

Larry Jenovino supported the Planning Commission recommendation.

Mayor Cooper closed the public comment opportunity at 9:55 p.m.

In response to a question by **Councilmember Hume, Christine Crawford**, Planning Director, clarified that the issue before the Council this evening is to consider the Planning Commission's recommendation that the Council initiate discussion to establish criteria further defining the Triangle SPA reference that commercial should be local and neighborhood serving. Ms. Crawford related that the Planning Commissioners feel it is important for prospective developers to have an adequate understanding of the scale of development prior to investing resources.

Councilmember Hume stated he is amenable to strengthening design review language.

There was no direction provided by Council to initiate an amendment to the Triangle Special Planning Area.

Agenda Item No. 8.5: Approve process and related actions to establish Quiet Zones

RECOMMENDATION:

- Adopt resolution authorizing the City Engineer to issue Public Notices of Establishment of Quiet Zones in the City of Elk Grove after finding that all the necessary steps are completed for the establishment of each individual Quiet Zone;
- Approve the establishment of Quiet Zone #1 based on the acceptable Quiet Zone Risk Index and approve construction of associated improvements;
- Approve the establishment of Quiet Zone #2, based on the acceptable Quiet Zone Risk Index after constructing Supplementary Safety Measures at Franklin Boulevard;

- Direct staff to report back to Council on results of the engineering work and costs of the improvements for Quiet Zone #3;
- Adopt resolution authorizing the City Engineer to call for bids on the railroad crossing at Elk Grove-Florin Road Railroad Crossing Modification Project; and
- Adopt resolution authorizing the City Engineer to call for bids on the railroad crossing at Franklin Boulevard/Willard Parkway Median Improvements Project.

Diane Nguyen, Capital Improvements Manager, provided an overview of the staff report and recommendation.

Public Comment:

With no public requests to speak, **Mayor Cooper** closed the public comment opportunity.

Motion: ***M/S Davis/Leary to adopt resolutions, processes, and related actions necessary to implement quiet zones in the City of Elk Grove to wit:***

- Adopt **Resolution No. 2007-132** authorizing the City Engineer to issue Public Notices of Establishment of Quiet Zones in the City of Elk Grove after finding that all the necessary steps are completed for the establishment of each individual Quiet Zone;
- Approve the establishment of Quiet Zone #1 based on the acceptable Quiet Zone Risk Index and approve construction of associated improvements;
- Approve the establishment of Quiet Zone #2, based on the acceptable Quiet Zone Risk Index after constructing Supplementary Safety Measures at Franklin Boulevard;
- Direct staff to report back to Council on results of the engineering work and costs of the improvements for Quiet Zone #3;
- Adopt **Resolution No. 2007-133** authorizing the City Engineer to call for bids on the railroad crossing at Elk Grove-Florin Road Railroad Crossing Modification Project; and
- Adopt **Resolution No. 2007-134** authorizing the City Engineer to call for bids on the railroad crossing at Franklin Boulevard/Willard Parkway Median Improvements Project.

The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0

Agenda Item No. 8.6: Appoint Members to the Charter Exploratory and Election Reform Committee

RECOMMENDATION:

Review applications submitted and appoint five members to the Charter Exploratory and Election Reform Committee.

Peggy Jackson, City Clerk provided an overview of the staff report and recommendation.

Public Comment:

None.

The following appointments to the Charter Exploratory and Election Reform Committee were made:

Mayor Cooper appointed Nancy Chaires.
Mayor Pro Tempore Leary appointed Jake Allen.
Council Member Davis appointed Clifford Loveland.
Council Member Hume appointed Pat Perez.
Council Member Scherman appointed Michelle Orrock.

Agenda Item No. 8.7: Appoint Members to the Historic Preservation Committee

RECOMMENDATION:

Review applications submitted and appoint seven members to the Historic Preservation Committee.

John Smoley, Planner, provided an overview of the staff report and recommendation.

Motion: M/S Leary/Scherman to appoint Sarah Johnson (Elk Grove Historical Society Member), Phillip Stark (Old Town Elk Grove Foundation Member), Ric Windmiller (Professional-Archaeology), Thomas Russell, Dennis Buscher, Rita Achuff and Christopher Erias (Professional-Urban Planning) to the Historic Preservation Committee. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0

Subsequent to member appointment, **Howard Sihner**, representing the Old Town Foundation, endorsed Mr. Stark.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Mayor Cooper thanked Council Members Davis and Scherman for attending the recent Sacramento County Board of Supervisors meeting at which the Habitat Conservation Plan was discussed.

COUNCIL COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Reports on Regional Boards, Commissions, Committees
2. Travel/Training Expenditures Disclosure *(in accordance with Resolution 2006-295 and Government Code § 53232.3(d))*

Mayor Pro Tem Leary

- Reported that the Sacramento Metropolitan Cable Television Commission Board authorized \$30,000 each to the cities of Folsom and Galt for improvements toward utilizing cable to broadcast its meetings. In addition, Access Sacramento was given increased funding for its programming and for two new vehicles. Mayor Pro Tem Leary announced that he was appointed as Cable Commission Chairman.

- Expressed concern regarding Elk Grove's housing/job imbalance. He requested that at a future meeting Council consider the City's Sphere of Influence and review opportunities that may exist.

- Council Member Davis agreed that the City needs an opportunity as a community to plan for its future; however, he recalled that in January Council made a commitment to conduct public outreach on the subject. He emphasized that discussion on this topic must include a detailed community engagement plan.

Council Member Scherman

- Announced that last week she attended an awards ceremony at which Elk Grove's transit department earned a second place award in a statewide event.

- Attended an orientation meeting in her capacity as a new member of the Library Joint Powers Authority.

- The Senior Center will elect new officers this month.

- Requested that staff research summer recess and holiday dates that surrounding cities and the Sacramento Board of Supervisors observe and report back to Council for its consideration of doing the same for purposes of allowing for vacation opportunities when no meetings are taking place.

- Requested the meeting be adjourned in the memory of Jay Melton who recently passed away, mentioning that he was a retired Sergeant with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department after serving more than 25 years.

Council Member Davis

- The Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District Board recently had a presentation on a program entitled, "Student Based Air Quality Assessment Project". Students presented information derived from an assessment of school sites, transportation options, ventilation systems, etc.
- Attended a meeting of the Elk Grove Economic Development Corporation this week. It is anticipated that an executive director will be selected by the end of summer.
- Attended a fundraiser for the Elk Grove Teen Center and commended Jim Miller and his staff for an excellent event.

Council Member Hume

- Reported that Galt has promotional videos on the internet sponsored by various businesses to promote the City and encourage economic development and suggested that Elk Grove consider doing the same.
- Requested that consideration be made for a fee waiver and/or deferral program to help spur economic development in the City for projects such as remodels of existing buildings or tenant improvements in a new building shell. Suggested that it might first be considered by the Elk Grove Economic Development Corporation with a recommendation to Council.
- Stated that a project has been proposed for the old JVC building and a request for a loan from the City for capital improvements of a bowling operation has been made. He asked that staff look into the matter.

Council Member Davis agreed, noting that he visited a Strikes Bowling operation in Rocklin, which he was very impressed with, and believed that such a business would be an asset in Elk Grove.

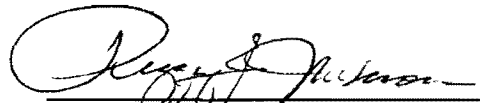
Mayor Cooper

- Expressed support for the proposed bowling project as described by Council Member Hume.
- Reported that the Elk Grove Teen Center fundraiser dinner was a great event.
- Yesterday he and Council Member Scherman attended a news conference in Elk Grove sponsored by the League of California Cities regarding a ballot initiative for city funding toward traffic congestion roadway improvements.

- Attended a retirement event for Judge Henke along with Mayor Pro Tem Leary and City Manager Danielson.
- Commented that complaints were raised regarding a recent Planning Commission meeting at which the public was not treated with the respect they deserved. He apologized for the situation, stating that he does not condone such action.

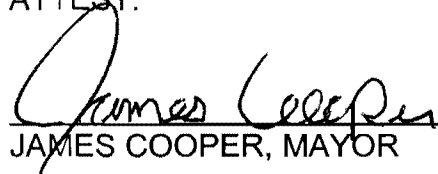
ADJOURNMENT

With no additional business to conduct, the June 13, 2007 City Council meeting was adjourned at 10:42 p.m. in memory of Jay Melton.



PEGGY E. JACKSON
CITY CLERK

ATTEST:



JAMES COOPER, MAYOR