
**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
Wednesday, September 26, 2007**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Cooper called to order the special City Council meeting of September 26 at 5:03 p.m.

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

Absent: Council Member Hume (Arrived during closed session)

CLOSED SESSION

There were no public requests to speak.

The City Clerk announced the closed session items.

The City Council adjourned to closed session to consider the following items at 5:04 p.m.

2A) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Property Negotiation Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8

Property Description: 8169 Sheldon Road (APN 117-0220-020)
8165 Sheldon Road (APN 117-0220-021)

City Negotiators: John Danielson, City Manager;
Jim Estep, Assistant City Manager

Negotiating Party: George Tsakopoulos/Tsakopoulos
Investments

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

**2B) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING
LITIGATION**

Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(a)

Four (4) cases

1. *City of Elk Grove v. M&H Realty, et al., Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 05AS04337*

2. City of Elk Grove v. Marvin L. Oates, et al., Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 05AS04338
3. City of Elk Grove v. Robert H. Lent, et al., Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 05AS04453
4. City of Elk Grove v. Elk Grove Town Center, L.P., et al., Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 05AS04328

2C) PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Title: City Manager

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

The City Council returned from closed session at 6:03 p.m. and reconvened the open session with all Council Members present.

In relation to Item 2C, Public Employee Performance Evaluation of the City Manager, Mayor Cooper reported that the Council accepted the resignation of John Danielson effective April 2, 2008 and directed that all Mr. Danielson's efforts in his remaining time with the City be devoted to the successful transition of a new city manager, including work on significant projects such as the Elk Grove Promenade Mall. Assistant City Manager Jim Estep will handle the day to day operations until such time as the Council appoints a new city manager. Council will consider the appointment of Mr. Estep as the Interim City Manager at the regularly scheduled meeting of October 10, 2007.

At the request of Mayor Pro Tempore Leary, Jonathan Hobbs, legal counsel with the firm *Kronick Moskovitz Tiedemann & Girard*, announced that the City Council conducted an evaluation of the City Manager and all the performance ratings were excellent.

Mayor Pro Tempore Leary stated that, during the six years he had worked with City Manager Danielson, the City was growing quickly and he had performed admirably.

Council Member Davis emphasized that it is Council's priority to see that the transition in management goes smoothly. He believed that Mr. Danielson "steered the ship" through difficult times and cultivated a "team" environment throughout the City organization.

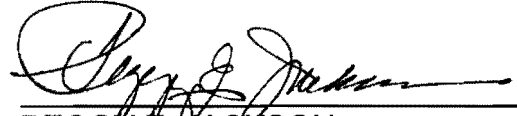
Council Member Hume agreed that Mr. Danielson did a good job through a difficult period with a young city facing explosive growth and set a foundation strong enough to build upon in the future.

Council Member Scherman noted that Mr. Danielson hired many excellent employees and he "set the bar" in terms of leadership.

Mayor Cooper agreed with Council Members' sentiments and commented that though change is difficult, in the long term, it is beneficial.

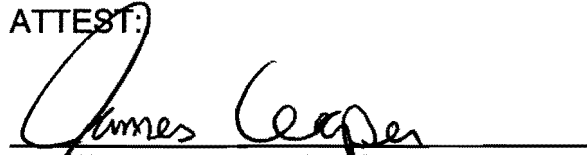
ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to conduct, the Special City Council meeting of September 26, 2007 was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.



PEGGY E. JACKSON
CITY CLERK

ATTEST:


JAMES COOPER, MAYOR