

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
Wednesday, July 21, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Scherman called the Special City Council meeting of July 21, 2010 to order at 5:03 p.m.

Present: Mayor Scherman and Council Member Hume

Absent: Vice Mayor Detrick, Council Members Cooper and Davis

Mayor Scherman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Scherman asked that a moment of silence be observed.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

Mayor Scherman noted that, without a quorum, discussion under the Special meeting could not continue.

City Manager Laura Gill read the following statement into the record on behalf of Vice Mayor Detrick, Council Member Cooper, and Council Member Davis:

The residents of our great city have high expectations of their City Council. One of these expectations is that we work together, as a Council, on their behalf to move the City of Elk Grove forward. This is particularly true when it comes to protecting our residents against sex offenders. We must have a united front against these criminals in keeping the community safe.

As you can imagine, we were surprised when we received notice last night that Mayor Scherman had called a Special Meeting of the City Council - for consideration of a matter that is already on the agenda next week. Furthermore, the meeting is being held at 5 p.m., while most residents are just leaving work. Calling last minute special meetings at times inconvenient to the public is a deceitful behavior of the past. It must not be repeated.

Had the Mayor consulted with the rest of the City Council, as every Mayor has done the past 10 years, she would have known we are out of town or unavailable. In fact, each of us asked her to reschedule this meeting and she has refused. This act not only impedes our ability to work together as a

Council, but oversteps the bounds of the office of the Mayor. And, frankly, does a major disservice to the public we are sworn to represent.

Therefore, in conjunction with the Brown Act and Elk Grove City Policy, we are calling a Special Meeting of the Elk Grove City Council for Wednesday, July 28th, 2010 at 6 p.m. The purpose of the Special City Council Meeting is to discuss the role of the Mayor and also to consider the appointment of the Mayor for 2010.

Mayor Scherman reported that she had received a text message earlier in the day from Council Member Davis stating that if the July 21, 2010 Special meeting discussion of a Council Ad-Hoc Committee moved forward, that a movement would be in place to remove Ms. Scherman as Mayor.

Mayor Scherman noted that she called the meeting with the intent to bring interested parties together to share information gathered to date since the issue was raised during public comment at the July 14, 2010 Regular meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA ACTION ITEM/RECOMMENDATION

Note: The item was not considered as a quorum of the City Council was not present.

~~3.1 **SUBJECT:** Consider establishing a Council Ad-Hoc Committee to review and provide direction regarding group homes and facilities~~

ADJOURNMENT

With no quorum to conduct business, the July 21, 2010 Special City Council meeting was adjourned at 5:13 p.m.


JASON LINDGREN
INTERIM CITY CLERK

ATTEST:


SOPHIA SCHERMAN, MAYOR