

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Procter called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Reverend Jose Vindel offered the invocation, and Mayor Procter led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Councilmember Richard C. Cook, Councilmember Mary Ann Krause, Councilmember Ray C. Luna, Vice Mayor Gabino Aguirre, and Mayor John T. Procter responded to roll call. Acting City Manager Paul L. Skeels, City Attorney Karl H. Berger, and City Clerk Steven J. Salas were also present. City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz was absent due to his being on vacation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment.

CITY COUNCIL/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Acting City Manager Paul L. Skeels announced that the soccer fields at Las Piedras Park and Teague Park are now open.

Mayor Procter commented on the successful Relay for Life event, and acknowledged Vice Mayor Aguirre and Councilmember Krause for their participation.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Consideration of Mayor's Appointee to Planning Commission

City Attorney Karl H. Berger's report dated August 13, 2003. He responded to a question regarding the Mayor's authority to make appointments to the Planning Commission by stating that the Municipal Code gives the Mayor this authority, and that the Municipal Code has remained unchanged since at least 1981. He further responded to a question regarding the manner in which Mayors from other cities appoint Planning Commissioners by stating that appointments are made dependent on the jurisdiction's Municipal Code.

Jim Procter, 1167 Say Road, spoke in support of appointing Jesse Ornelas to the Planning Commission. He responded to questions regarding Mr. Ornelas' potential conflict of interest by stating that he is certain that Mr. Ornelas will be vigilant regarding any potential conflicts of interest.

Marsha Rea, 1309 Woodland Drive, spoke regarding her concerns with the perception of conflict of interest because Mr. Ornelas' employer, Cabrillo Economic Development

Corporation, may be the lead developer of low-income housing in Fagan Canyon. She suggested that the City Council appoint another candidate who would not need to recuse himself or herself from any deliberations of the Planning Commission.

Vice Mayor Aguirre read from his prepared statement, in Spanish and English, in support of the appointment of Jesse Ornelas to the Planning Commission. His written statement is attached as an official part of these minutes.

Councilmember Cook spoke against the appointment of Jesse Ornelas to the Planning Commission.

Councilmember Krause read from her prepared statement regarding her support of the Mayor's appointment of Jesse Ornelas to the Planning Commission. Her written statement is attached as an official part of these minutes.

Councilmember Luna called for the question.

Mayor Procter spoke regarding his support for the appointment of Jesse Ornelas to the Planning Commission.

Under random roll call vote, Councilmember Krause, Mayor Procter, and Vice Mayor Aguirre were in favor. Councilmember Cook and Councilmember Luna were opposed. The Mayor's appointment of Jesse Ornelas to the Planning Commission was approved.

CITY COMMUNICATIONS

There were no City Communications.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no Future Agenda Items.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Procter adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Steven J. Salas
City Clerk