

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Aguirre called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m., and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmember Richard C. Cook, Councilmember Ray C. Luna, Councilmember John T. Procter, Vice Mayor Mary Ann Krause, and Mayor Gabino Aguirre were present. Commissioner Jennifer A. Matos, Commissioner Gary L. Nasalroad, Commissioner Jesse R. Ornelas, Commissioner John A. Turturro, Vice Chair Michael E. Sommer, and Commission Chair Rita Graham were present. City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz and Deputy City Clerk Josephine G. Herrera were also present. Commissioner William H. Irion and City Clerk Steven J. Salas were absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no Public Comment.

**CITY COUNCIL, PLANNING COMMISSION, STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Aguirre asked for a moment of silence in recognition of the passing of Senator Pete Knight and Housing Authority Commissioner Hazel Kay.

Councilmember Procter offered his condolences to Senator Pete Knight's widow, Gail, and noted that Senator Knight visited the Santa Paula Aviation Museum last year.

Councilmember Cook mentioned that he participated with over 200 people in a motorcycle ride for Little League during the First Saturday of the Month.

Mayor Aguirre mentioned that he participated in many of the events held the past weekend, and that he especially enjoyed riding the trolley.

Commissioner Ornelas mentioned that he attended the grand opening of a Family Farmworker Housing Project in Oxnard.

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz offered his condolences to Senator Pete Knight's family, and noted that Senator Knight was the only official who contacted him during last year's wildfires. He also commented on the passing of Commissioner Hazel Kay, who served for many years on the Housing Authority. He also noted that Councilmember Procter and Vice Mayor Krause would be absent from the May 17, 2004 City Council Meeting. Lastly, he mentioned that the League of California Cities issued a bulletin regarding State budget cuts in the amount of \$1.3 billion for cities and counties.

## APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### A. Santa Paula Draft Vision Report

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz presented his report dated May 4, 2004.

Rodney Fernandez, Chair of the Community Visioning Committee, introduced the committee members in the audience. He also noted that the community visioning project is something that the community has dreamed about for a long time.

Susan Jackson from RBF Consulting presented a Power Point Presentation.

The following concerns were addressed and changes were suggested:

Under the **Draft Vision Statement**, change "Santa Paula honors its heritage, culture, and diversity; offers *education excellence...*" to "Santa Paula honors its heritage, culture, and diversity; offers *excellence in ...*"

Under **Small Town Character of Santa Paula**, change "Encourage *redevelopment* of existing neighborhoods" to "Encourage *revitalization* of existing neighborhoods." Under bullet point **Maintain the Agricultural Character of the City and Surrounding Areas**, concerns were addressed regarding row crops versus orchards and conflicts with future and planned growth. Under bullet point **Continue to Support the Revitalization of Main Street as a Social and Economic Hub**, consider changing *Main Street* to *Downtown*.

Under **Parks and Recreation Opportunities**, change "Build more sports fields for soccer and other team sports" to "Build more sports fields for soccer *for youth* and other team sports." Also consider more youth and adult soccer spaces for a whole range of age groups.

Under **Access to Affordable and High Quality Health Care**, replace the word "provide" with "promote."

Under **Celebration of Local Art, Architecture, History, and Culture**, consider use of blue paint for self-guided tours to murals.

Under **Beautification and Architectural Integrity of the City**, change references to *Main Street* to *Downtown*.

Under **Meaningful Youth Activity and Participation**, under the bullet point of **Provide Youth with Meaningful Ways to Become Involved in Civic Life**, add *Youth City Corp.*

Under **Enhanced Mobility and Quality Infrastructure**, add a bullet point for action to bring in live satellite college courses.

Under **Diverse Housing Opportunities**, add a rental housing component. Also, consider adding *enhance curb appeal* and *improve fiscal base of the City*.

B. Approval of Fiscal Year 2004/2005 City Council Goals and Projects

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz presented the draft Fiscal Year 2004/2005 City Council Goals and Projects for the City Council's approval. He responded to a question regarding additional funding for special events by stating that the budget for special events for next fiscal year would be \$30,000.

Commissioner Nasalroad suggested adding issues of curb appeal and sidewalk and street repair under Item I4, Enhance Santa Paula Beautiful Program.

It was moved by Councilmember Cook, seconded by Councilmember Procter, to accept the Fiscal Year 2004/2005 City Council Goals and Projects as amended to add issues of curb appeal and sidewalk and street repair under Item I4, Enhance Santa Paula Beautiful Program. There was no opposition, and the motion carried.

C. Approval of Revised Economic Development/Redevelopment Plan

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz presented the revised Economic Development/Redevelopment Plan for the City Council's approval.

It was moved by Councilmember Cook, seconded by Vice Mayor Krause, to adopt the Economic Development/Redevelopment Plan. There was no opposition, and the motion carried.

### CITY COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz reported that Planning Director Thomas M. Bartlett had accepted the position of Planning Manager for the City of Calabasas, and he thanked Mr. Bartlett for his years of service.

Planning Director Thomas M. Bartlett stated that he enjoyed working with the City Council and the Planning Commission for the past four years, and that his job with the City was both challenging and rewarding.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no Future Agenda Items.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Aguirre adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Josephine G. Herrera  
Deputy City Clerk