

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Aguirre called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmember Richard C. Cook Councilmember Ray C. Luna, Councilmember John T. Procter, Vice Mayor Mary Ann Krause, and Mayor Gabino Aguirre responded to roll call. City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz, City Attorney Karl H. Berger, and Deputy City Clerk Josephine G. Herrera were also present. City Clerk Steven J. Salas was absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no Public Comment.

**APPOINTMENT OF LABOR NEGOTIATOR**

It was moved by Councilmember Krause, seconded by Councilmember Cook, to appoint City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz, Assistant to the City Manager Melissa Grisales, and Tim Davis as the City's Labor Negotiators for negotiations with the Santa Paula Police Commanders Unit, Santa Paula Community Service Officers Unit, Santa Paula Police Officers Association, Santa Paula Public Employees Association (SEIU Local 998), Santa Paula Fire Fighters Association, Ventura County Professional Firefighters Association, Mid-management, Confidential, Part-time, Temporary, and Seasonal Employees Groups. There was no opposition, and the motion carried.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor Aguirre recessed the City Council to a Closed Session at 5:35 p.m. to discuss:

1. Conference with Legal Counsel, Anticipated Litigation. *Government Code §54956.9(b).* Number of potential cases: One. Claim filed on behalf of Phillip Romney pursuant to the Government Claims Act. A copy of the claim is available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office.
2. Conference with Real Property Negotiator - Government Code §54956.8. City Negotiator: City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz and City Attorney Karl H. Berger. Property: 212 N. Mill Street. Negotiating Parties: Helen Hengehold. Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment for real property lease.
3. Conference with Labor Negotiators – Government Code 54957.6. City designated representatives: City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz and Assistant to the City Manager Melissa Grisales. Employee Organizations: 1) Santa Paula Police

Commanders Unit; 2) Mid-management, Confidential, Part-time, Temporary, and Seasonal employees group.

4. Conference with Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation. Government Code Section 54956.9(a). Name of Case: Santa Paula Memorial Hospital, Debtor, United States Bankruptcy Court, Central District of California, BK No. NE 03-1354-RR.

Mayor Aguirre reconvened the City Council at 6:41 p.m. No action was taken during the Closed Session.

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### **RECONVENE AND CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Aguirre reconvened the City Council at 6:48 p.m., led the Flag Salute.

### **ROLL CALL**

Councilmember Richard C. Cook Councilmember Ray C. Luna, Councilmember John T. Procter, Vice Mayor Mary Ann Krause, and Mayor Gabino Aguirre responded to roll call. City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz, City Attorney Karl H. Berger, and Deputy City Clerk Josephine G. Herrera were also present. City Clerk Steven J. Salas was absent.

### **PRESENTATION**

- A. Presentation of Proclamation and City Tile to Planning Director Thomas M. Bartlett

Mayor Aguirre presented a proclamation and Vice Mayor Krause presented a City tile to Planning Director Thomas M. Bartlett in recognition of four years of service to the City of Santa Paula. Planning Director Thomas M. Bartlett thanked the City Council, staff, and the community for the opportunity to work for the City. He also introduced his wife Rosie, his daughter Rachel, and his sister-in-law Cheryl.

- B. Recognition of 2004 City of Santa Paula Division C Champion Corporate Games Teams

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz announced that City of Santa Paula employees came in first place in its division in the Corporate Challenge Games. He congratulated and thanked the team members for their hard work.

Liz Garcia thanked the City Council and City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz for their support and for acknowledging the City's Corporate Challenge participants.

C. Presentation on "Santa Paula Summer 2004" June Events by Community Services Director Brian J. Yanez

Community Services Director Brian J. Yanez noted that the film, "Finding Nemo," would be shown during the Movie in the Park event at Glen City School on June 5, 2004. He also provided a summary of events scheduled for the First Weekend of the Month for June.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Councilmember Luna stated that he would excuse himself from the remainder of the meeting in order to attend a funeral for Gonzalo Castañeda. He also stated that he would support any ballot initiative placed by the City Council. Councilmember Luna exited the Council Chambers at 7:08 p.m.

Jess Victoria, 134 Moultrie Place, expressed his concern with financial shortages from Federal, State, and County resources. He stated that the City must not depend on revenues from future projects. He also expressed his concern with unfinished business with the hospital and City Hall property. He also expressed his concern with financing the Skate Park and whether the issues of insurance and maintenance have been addressed. He stated that the status of the City's finances must be presented to the community, and that he believed the community would support a tax initiative. He also distributed a copy of Government Code Section 53891 that requires a summary of the City's financial report to be published in a newspaper of general circulation or posted in three designated public places, and expressed his concern with the correct posting of the City's financial report.

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz responded to Mr. Victoria's comments by stating that the Skate Park has been fully financed with maintenance and supervision costs included in the base budget. Also, a community budget workshop was held on May 13, 2004, which was advertised, televised, and attended by one community member. Lastly, staff would make a copy of last year's City's Financial Notice available. He also mentioned that the notice was published in the *Santa Paula Times* and posted at City Hall and the library as the main posting areas, as well as the Chamber of Commerce, Community Center, California Oil Museum, and Las Piedras Park Storefront.

**CITY COUNCIL, STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilmember Procter acknowledged the passing of Gonzalo Castañeda, and wished his family well.

Vice Mayor Krause thanked the City Council and the community for allowing her take a few days off to celebrate her 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz distributed a *Greetings from Santa Paula* brochure that is being distributed by Economic Development Director Charmaine Stouder at the International Council of Shopping Centers Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada. He also shared a copy of an article from the *Los Angeles Daily News* regarding development efforts by the City of Santa Paula. Lastly, he shared an editorial from the *Pacific Coast Business Times* regarding a review of a luncheon meeting with the Santa Paula Chamber of Commerce.

### **APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA**

There were no changes to the Final Agenda.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

It was moved by Councilmember Cook, seconded by Vice Mayor Krause, to adopt the Consent Calendar as presented. There was no opposition, and the motion carried.

- A. Waiver of Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions – Approved waiver of the reading of Ordinances and Resolutions appearing on the Consent Calendar; waiver of the reading of all other Resolutions appearing on the Agenda; and reading all other Ordinances appearing on the Agenda, in title only.
- B. Minutes – Adopted the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of May 17, 2004.
- C. Used Oil Block Grant Funds 2004/2005 Application – 1) Adopted Resolution No. 6087 authorizing submittal of the Funding Request Form to the California Integrated Waste Management Board for \$8,786, and authorizing the City Manager to execute associated documents. **RESOLUTION NO. 6087**, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE, AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS FOR THE 2004/2005 USED OIL RECYCLING BLOCK GRANT FUNDING (10<sup>th</sup> CYCLE) UNDER THE CALIFORNIA OIL RECYCLING ENHANCEMENT ACT, and 2) directed staff to forward the application form and a copy of the resolution to the California Integrated Waste Management Board. Public Works Director/City Engineer Clifford G. Finley's report dated May 18, 2004.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- A. Final Report – Public Safety Service Options

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz presented his staff report dated May 21, 2004.

Jerry Byrum, 1019 Stonegate Road, read from his prepared statement in support of consolidating the Santa Paula Fire Department with the Ventura County Fire Protection District.

Chris Mahon, President of the Ventura County Professional Firefighters Association, representing the Santa Paula Fire Department's Full-time Firefighters, read from his prepared statement in support of the City Manager's recommendation to continue annexation discussions with the Ventura County Fire Protection District, and spoke in support of a ballot initiative.

Kevin Fildes, 752 Ernest Drive, spoke in support of the City Manager's recommendation to continue annexation discussions with the Ventura County Fire Protection District.

Carole Reese, 701 Montclair Drive, spoke in support of consolidating the Santa Paula Fire Department with the Ventura County Fire Protection District.

Flo Zakrajshek, 1000 Cadway, spoke in support of keeping the issue of Police and Fire Services separate. She noted that she received many calls from people in support of a tax initiative as long as it is placed on only one utility. She also expressed her concern with fee increases for cable, electric, and city services.

Robert Mumford, 1000 Stonegate, spoke in support of maintaining the Santa Paula Police Department, and spoke in support of consolidating the Santa Paula Fire Department with the Ventura County Fire Protection District.

Hector Lopez, 2420 Mohican Lane, Ventura, spoke in support of maintaining the Santa Paula Police Department, and commended the Police Department for their recent work in breaking up an international extortion ring from Mexico.

Scott Rushing spoke in support of maintaining the Santa Paula Police Department, and offered his support to help with a ballot initiative.

Linda Fike, 500 W. Santa Maria Street, expressed support for public safety, and asked the citizens of Santa Paula to contact the City Councilmembers to provide input on a ballot initiative. She also expressed her support for a utility tax designated for Police and Fire Services.

Carlos Juarez, 214 S. Fourteenth Street, member of the Santa Paula Police Officers Association, spoke in support of a ballot measure with a sunset clause in order to maintain control of the Santa Paula Police Department, and spoke in opposition of the City contracting with the Sheriff's Department. He also stated that the reason Measure L failed a few years ago was due to hard economic times and lawsuits regarding the Department of Justice, Todd Road Jail, and Toland Landfill, and the voters did not feel that the revenues raised would go toward public safety.

It was moved by Councilmember Procter, seconded by Vice Mayor Krause, to: 1) receive and file the status report; 2) direct the City Manager to continue annexation discussions with the Ventura County Fire Protection District and return to the City Council with additional information from the District as soon as possible; and 3) direct the City Manager to end any further study of contracting for law enforcement services with the Ventura County Sheriff's Department. There was no opposition, and the motion carried.

B. 2004 Public Safety Financing Ballot Initiative

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz presented his report dated May 21, 2004.

Paul Spencer, 975 W. Telegraph Road, stated that he lives in a retirement community where many residents are on a fixed income. He noted that many residents are concerned regarding tax increases, how much the increase will be, the term of the tax increase, and whether the revenues raised would go toward maintaining Police and Fire Services. He asked the City Council to take into account that there may be special provisions to exempt residents on fixed incomes from paying a tax increase.

Angela Preciado Dominguez, spoke in support of maintaining Police and Fire Services and offered her assistance in campaigning for a ballot initiative.

It was moved by Councilmember Cook, seconded by Vice Mayor Krause, to: 1) direct the City Manager and City Attorney to begin drafting an ordinance to be placed on the November 2, 2004 general election ballot to create a tax to fund public safety services; 2) consider proposed elements of ordinance and provide direction to staff; 3) direct the City Manager to have proposed elements used as a base for questions for a public opinion poll to be conducted on these issues; and 4) reschedule public meeting for review of ordinance language from Thursday, June 10, 2004, to June 23, 2004, at the Community Center. There was no opposition, and the motion carried.

**CITY COMMUNICATIONS**

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz stated that the City Council would hold the following meetings in June: Regular Meeting on June 7, 2004; Special Meeting on June 8, 2004 to present the draft proposed Fiscal Year 2004/2005 Budget; Special Meeting on June 14, 2004, Special Meeting June 21, 2004; Community Healthcare Authority Meeting on June 22, 2004; Special Meeting on June 23, 2004; and Special Meeting on June 28, 2004.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

It was moved by Councilmember Procter, seconded by Councilmember Cook, to have the City Manager contact Oxnard City Corp to give a presentation on the services they offer. There was no opposition, and the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Aguirre adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m., in honor of Gonzalo Castañeda, owner of Bigg Transport, who recently passed away.

ATTEST:

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Josephine G. Herrera  
Deputy City Clerk