

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS,
CALIFORNIA, HELD WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2008**

Mayor Maurer called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 Civic Center Way, Calabasas, California.

ROLL CALL Present: Mayor Maurer, Mayor pro Tem Wolfson, Councilmembers Bozajian, Groveman, Washburn.
Absent: None.
Staff: Colantuono, Coroalles, Peirce, Starns, Tamuri, Yalda.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Robert Pope.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Groveman moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Wolfson, to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED 5/0. Councilmember Washburn moved, Mayor pro Tem Wolfson seconded, to add a Closed Session item, Chaghouri v. Westridge Homeowners Association, which was brought to the attention of staff after the posting of the agenda and is necessary to be discussed prior to the next scheduled meeting. MOTION CARRIED 5/0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

Councilmember Washburn announced that a Strings Concert will be held at the Civic Center Plaza on September 7 and he announced that the Calabasas Pumpkin Festival will be held on October 18 and 19. Councilmember Bozajian spoke regarding the "Best of Broadway" Concert that will be held at Calabasas Lake on September 27. Mayor pro Tem Wolfson announced that a Las Virgenes Adopt-a-Creek Clean-up will occur on September 6. Mayor Maurer thanked the Los Angeles County Fire Department for their exceptional work on the recent fire in the Calabasas area. Mayor Maurer introduced Robert Ferrante and Mark McDannel from the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, who presented information on the Energy Recovery Project at the Calabasas Landfill.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael Harrison, Calabasas, congratulated the City on the new Civic Center and spoke regarding additional options for LEED credits and spoke in support of expanding the green building ordinance and installing a botanical garden at the Civic Center. Gary Klein, President of the Calabasas Park Homeowners Association, presented a plaque to the Council in commemoration of the opening of the Civic Center.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of the minutes for the August 13, 2008 City Council meeting.
2. Adoption of Ordinance No. 2008-251, regulating mobile car wash businesses.
3. Adoption of Ordinance No. 2008-243, amending Chapter 2.04 of the Calabasas Municipal Code regarding City Council meeting dates and location.
4. Approval of Settlement Agreement in Calabasas Ridge Homeowners Association v. Robert Gordon; City of Calabasas as Intervener, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. LC 079145.

Mayor pro Tem Wolfson moved, seconded by Councilmember Washburn, to approve Consent Items #1, 2, 3, and 4. MOTION CARRIED 5/0.

PUBLIC HEARING

5. Introduction of Ordinance No. 2008-253, amending the Development Code to prohibit the issuance of a building permit for a property where there is an existing violation of the Development Code.

Mayor Maurer opened the public hearing.

Geoff Starns, Senior Planner, presented the staff report.

No one indicated a desire to speak.

Mayor Maurer closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Washburn moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Wolfson, to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2008-253, amending the Development Code to prohibit the issuance of a building permit for a property where there is an existing violation of the Development Code. MOTION CARRIED 5/0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. Adoption of an amended resolution establishing criteria for community services grants.

No one indicated a desire to speak.

Councilmember Bozajian moved, seconded by Councilmember Washburn, to adopt Resolution No. 2008-1145, approving a policy for contributing to the funding of community service organizations and rescinding Resolution Nos. 2005-985 and 2008-1127. MOTION CARRIED 5/0.

NEW BUSINESS

7. Discussion on proceeding with a solid waste exclusive franchise system in the City of Calabasas.

Robert Yalda, Public Works Director/City Engineer, and Richard Tagore-Erwin, R3 Consulting, presented the staff report

Ron Saldana, Los Angeles County Disposal Association, spoke in support of the City distribute a request for proposal for commercial, roll-off and residential services. Mike Smith, Waste Management, spoke in support of continuing the exclusive franchise for residential services, as well as participating in the request for proposal process. Tom Ybarra, Crown Disposal Company, spoke in support of the City selecting one company for all three requests for proposals.

City Attorney Colantuono requested that the minutes reflect the change that the City Council can establish the maximum rate ceiling that the haulers can set rather than the actual rates.

Councilmember Bozajian moved, seconded by Councilmember Groveman, to authorize the City Manager and Public Works Director to enter into negotiation for a franchise agreement with Waste Management, Inc. for the residential solid waste collection service. MOTION CARRIED 4/1 with Mayor Maurer voting no.

Councilmember Bozajian moved, seconded by Councilmember Groveman to approve the release of two separate Requests for Proposals for commercial and roll-off/temporary bin solid waste collection services. MOTION CARRIED 5/0.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

8. Check Register for the period of August 5, 2008 to August 12, 2008.

There was no action taken.

TASK FORCE REPORTS

There were no task force reports.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Coroalles stated that there will be an Education Fund meeting at the Council meeting of September 10.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Bozajian requested that a facilities report for possible changes to the new building be brought to the City Council as a future agenda item. Mayor Maurer

requested that an item regarding discussing a ban on plastic grocery bags and an item on appraisals of open space in the City be placed on a future agenda.

ADJOURN

The City Council adjourned into closed session at 9:26 p.m. in the memory of Nick Cohen and Roy LaViolette.