

Agenda Item #: 2a
Meeting Date: 9/11/2012

**DRAFT MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
PALOS VERDES ESTATES, CALIFORNIA**

July 24, 2012

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates was called to order this day at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall by Mayor Bird.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL (7:30 PM)

PRESENT: Mayor Bird, Mayor Pro Tem Goodhart, Councilmember Perkins, Councilmember Rea

ABSENT: Councilmember Humphrey

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Smith, Police Chief Dreiling, Public Works Director Rigg, City Treasurer Sherwood, City Attorney Hogin, Administrative Analyst Mendoza, Asst./Deputy City Clerk Kroneberger

MAYOR'S REPORT - MATTERS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS 1 - 11a -c)

On motion of Councilmember Rea, seconded by MPT Goodhart, Council approved CONSENT AGENDA (Items 1 – 11a-c) by unanimous oral vote, except for Item # 5 and #6, Bird recused, and #9a, Perkins recused; Humphrey absent.

1. WAIVE FURTHER READING
2. CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF JULY 10, 2012
3. CITY TREASURER'S REPORTS
 - a. Monthly Report - June 2012
 - b. Quarterly Interest Report - April-June, 2012
4. BIENNIAL UPDATE OF THE CITY'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE
5. RESOLUTION R12-19; AFFIRMING PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL AND DENYING THE APPEAL OF NC-1440/GA-1492-12; NEIGHBORHOOD

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COMPATIBILITY AND GRADING APPLICATIONS FOR A NEW SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE LOCATED AT 968 VIA RINCON. LOT 5, BLOCK 1731, TRACT 7142 APPELLANT: JOHN & LENORE DELUCA

6. RESOLUTION R12-20; AFFIRMING PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL AND DENYING THE APPEAL OF NC-1440/GA-1492-12; NEIGHBORHOOD COMPATIBILITY AND GRADING APPLICATIONS FOR A NEW SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE LOCATED AT 968 VIA RINCON. LOT 5, BLOCK 1731, TRACT 7142 APPELLANT: GENE & LINDA DOTSON
7. PW-585B-11; COMPLETION OF CONTRACT FOR THE FY 11-12 PEDESTRIAN PATHWAY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
8. SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION FOR THE SOUTH BAY SUNRISE ROTARY TO HOLD CYCLING EVENT, "RAT BEACH BIKE TOUR" ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2012
9. PARKLANDS COMMITTEE MEETING ACTION ITEMS OF JULY 9, 2012
 - a. PC-342-12; Application to remove 3 sugar gum Eucalyptus trees located in the City parkway adjacent to 609 Via Horquilla
Applicant: Biren Lalchandani
Action: Approved. The applicant is approved to remove 3 sugar gum Eucalyptus trees adjacent to 609 Via Horquilla according to the 'Standard Conditions For Tree Removal Approvals'. Require 2 trees to be replaced. The applicant has the option to plant or pay to the 'Tree Bank' for the third tree.
 - b. PC-344-12; Application to remove 1 pine tree in the City parkway located adjacent to 2201 Thorley Place
Applicant: Paul Sanacore
Action: Approved. The applicant is approved to remove 1 Aleppo pine tree located in the parkway adjacent to 2201 Thorley Place according to the 'Standard Conditions For Tree Removal Approvals'. One tree is required to be replanted.
 - c. PC-345-12; Application to remove 1 Black Acacia tree located in the city parkway adjacent to 1508 Via Lazo
Applicant: William Regan
Action: Approved. The applicant is approved to remove 1 Black Acacia located in the city parkway adjacent to 1508 Via Lazo according to the 'Standard Conditions For Tree Removal Approvals'. The applicant has the option to plant 1 tree or pay the 'Tree Bank'.
10. TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING ACTION ITEMS OF JULY 11, 2012
 - a. Feasibility Study for Roundabout on Palos Verdes Boulevard at Via Anita and Via Rosa

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Action: Proposed roundabout denied. Recommended that staff bring other traffic calming alternatives for traffic calming back for discussion at a future meeting.

- b. Request for Speed Bumps and Stop Sign, Both Directions, for Crosswalk Under Malaga Cove Plaza Arch

Action: Denied. Recommended that staff bring back issue of Pedestrian Crossing signage in both directions to a future meeting.

11. PLANNING COMMISSION ACTIONS OF JULY 17, 2012

- a. **NC-943R/GA-1248R-12;** Consideration of revised Neighborhood Compatibility and Grading Applications for additions to the single family residence located at 1341 Via Cataluna. Lot 11, Block 9, Tract 7538.
Owner: Mr. & Mrs. Mitsanas
Action: Approved with conditions.
- b. **NC-1436/GA-1490-11;** Consideration of Neighborhood Compatibility and Grading Applications for a new single family residence located at 4229 Via Pinzon. Lot 8, Block 6322, Tract 7143.
Owner: Monica Oh
Action: Approved with conditions.
- c. **NC-1444/GA-1495/M-868-12;** Consideration of Neighborhood Compatibility, Grading and Miscellaneous Applications for a new single family residence located at 1613 Via Garfias. Lot 4, Block 1375, Tract 6889.
Owner: Fias Homes LLC
Action: Approved with conditions.
- d. **M-877-12;** Consideration of a Miscellaneous Application for a new transformer at the existing pumping plant within the City right-of-way across from 1500 Paseo Del Mar.
Applicant/Owner: Southern California Edison
Action: Approved with conditions.
- e. **M-878-12;** Consideration of a Miscellaneous Application for a structure exceeding the maximum allowable height at the single family residence located at 1749 Addison Road. Lot 23, Block 1275, Tract 7140.
Owner: Ken Vils
Action: Approved with conditions.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC - No one came forward to speak.

With Council's concurrence, Mayor Bird announced Item #14 shall be taken out of order from the published agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

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14. REVIEW OF SPEED CUSHIONS ON VIA DEL MONTE AND STOP SIGN INSTALLATION AT VIA PINALE

Public Works Director Rigg reported that the City Council concurred and approved the Traffic Safety Committee's recommendation for installation of stop signs on Via Del Monte at Via Pinalé on March 30, 2012. Staff determined installation could occur in conjunction with the scheduled slurry seal in August due to extensive stenciling that is required and would be covered as a result of the work. In order to receive proper slurry treatment, the speed cushions also need to be removed; however, they can be put back after two weeks upon curing of the asphalt. He said this provides a good opportunity to review the effectiveness of the stop signs without the complication of the speed cushions, which is typically reviewed six months after stop signs are installed. A lot of public input has been received indicating the best benefits of the speed cushions were to help with the safety of the Via Pinalé intersection; there were also concerns that the stop signs may obviate the need for the speed cushions. Because this is maintenance work, the cushions can be re-installed when Council directs.

City Manager Smith said safety on Via Del Monte is the City's goal as well as the residents--given the topography of the street, volume and nature of users, and number of homes and driveways involved. The purpose of this report is for Council to consider whether they want the stop signs installed, have them evaluated without the encumbered affect of the speed cushions being in place. This is not an item that says we are never reinstalling the speed cushions, but rather if they are going back in after the slurry is complete; or do they install the stop signs, evaluate their effectiveness, and then reconsider whether to reinstall the speed cushions. Council can direct staff to do an expedited review of the stop sign's effectiveness within a timeframe that Council so determines.

Councilmember Rea asked about the Fire Code impacting their ability to reinstall the speed cushions, noting that the City's Fire Code does not prohibit their installation. City Attorney Hogin confirmed that the City specifically excluded the County's prohibition on installing traffic calming devices within PVEMC.

Councilmember Perkins confirmed with Director Rigg that an effective evaluation of the stop signs can be determined in an expedited manner. Director Rigg said the latest speed surveys were done in October [2011], so the best comparison would be to do them again in October 2012 to replicate conditions.

MPT Goodhart asked about the impact of the speed cushions on traffic flow on Via Del Monte. Chief Dreiling said that speeds are slowing down. In calendar year 2011, PVEPD wrote 151 speeding citations on Via Del Monte, plus 14 warnings. This year (January-June 30, 2012) 115 speeding citations were written, with 1 warning.

The following persons voiced their support of retaining the speed cushions for reasons of safety and slowing down traffic on Via Del Monte:

Don West

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Norman Wong (does not support stop sign)
 Brent Flynn (supports KOA recommendation, wait to see what stop sign does)
 Steven Beck (supported additional traffic calming measures)
 Terry Wetkowski (supported stop sign)
 Betty Kessler
 Valerie Beranek (supporting adding a speed cushion up the hill)
 Joanna Rudenko (supported immediate replacement after road maintenance)
 Frank Brajevic
 Tom Malone (lower the profile and add one up the hill)
 Sharon A. Bryan (supported stop sign and other “bumps” on VDM)

The following persons voiced their concerns and were not in support of retaining the speed cushions on Via Del Monte citing reasons of safety, noise, and ineffectiveness:

Michael Barraclough
 Norman Eagle (supports vegetation clearance)
 Jim Parker (speed survey analysis; petition)
 Jim Dutton (impacts to his home)
 Terry Pearson (supports stop sign, additional enforcement)
 Sandra Winston (does not support stop sign; supports vegetation clearance)
 David Kramer (cyclist hazard, vehicle wear and tear, 85th percentile v. speed limit)
 Seth Davidson
 Jim Czesak (supports vegetation clearance, additional enforcement)
 William Um (supports education and enforcement)

Mayor Bird said the matter before Council goes to the issue of removal and timing of the reinstallation of the speed cushions.

MPT Goodhart asked Director Rigg to address commentary on speed cushion specifications and speed limitations due to the 85th percentile rule. Director Rigg said the speed limit for Via Del Monte was based on a speed survey that was ranked to the closest 5MPH increment and then lowered an additional 5MPH due to the driveways on the street, resulting in the current speed limit of 25MPH. The typical speed on a street determines the location of a speed survey, although speeds can vary. Speed cushions were selected for the specific locations by traffic engineers Katz Okitsu (“KOA”); the type was chosen due to concerns for emergency vehicle access—to allow for a wide-wheel based fire truck to straddle them. These are industry standard cushions used throughout Southern California.

MPT Goodhart asked if there is a lower profile cushion available. Director Rigg said there are less impactful speed cushions, but the ones installed were designed with the intent to bring the 85th percentile down to 25 MPH. To consider less impactful cushions, the design characteristics would have to be such to bring the 85th percentile MPH down to a higher speed than 25MPH.

MPT Goodhart confirmed that the stop signs at Via Pinale were not considered at the time the discussions for the speed cushions were held. He asked if that condition enables them to consider a different size cushion. Director Rigg said the traffic engineer KOA suggested what was tried and

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proven at the time; there could be others available now that are also tried and proven.

Mayor Bird said the KOA study provided different types of speed cushions to consider. Director Rigg said these were chosen because they allow for fire vehicles to straddle and pass through without having to go to through middle of the roadway in order to pass over them. Also considered were ways drivers may try to avoid the cushions. Mayor Bird asked if wider and longer cushions with a lower rise are available. Director Rigg said this could be researched and considered for a potential replacement, but making them wider and less tall would lessen their impact.

Councilmember Perkins confirmed that reinstalling a different type of cushion is not an option for their consideration this evening; it would require a different study and recommendation at a later date.

Mayor Bird said Council approved the installation of speed cushions and asked if staff could determine a different product that would do the job more efficiently that are less objectionable. Director Rigg said they would want to return to Council for review.

Councilmember Perkins observed that many have expressed surprise that this make and model of cushion requires people to slow down to ~5MPH to avoid impacts to their cars and other unintended consequences on the traffic.

Councilmember Rea confirmed that the 25MPH speed limit is based on a current speed survey taken before the speed cushions were installed. He confirmed that a variety of speed surveys have been taken at various locations on Via Del Monte since. He confirmed staff's recommendation is to hold off on reinstalling the cushions to provide for study to determine whether the [Via Pinale] stop signs have the side effect of slowing down the traffic.

Councilmember Goodhart thanked everyone for their patience as they've deliberated over this issue. He said the problem is two-fold: people traveling up or down Via Del Monte from Via Pinale feel unsafe, and the high rate of traffic speed experienced on Via Del Monte. There is also concern that the speed cushions may not have impact on traffic further up the street. He supported improving visibility throughout the street, as suggested, by removing obstacles caused by vegetation. He encouraged further study of changing the cushion style to have less impact on cars and noise to nearby homes. He liked the idea of removing the lower cushion on Via Del Monte upon installation of the stop signs at Via Pinale because it may be redundant to have both. He supported not allowing cars to park next to the cushions to improve safety. He said removal of the cushions for the road maintenance provides them the opportunity to review hard data to determine the impact the stop signs may provide.

Councilmember Rea concurred. They've heard many different opinions this evening regarding Via Del Monte, which is a steep narrow residential street with winding turns and it is also a minor arterial thoroughfare. He said they are not certain they can resolve all the traffic issues to everybody's satisfaction. The Council previously approved the installation of stop signs at Via Pinale to enable safe turns onto Via Del Monte; the side effect may be the slowing down of traffic in that area. He said it makes sense to take out the cushions while the street is being slurry sealed; this provides an opportunity to test the stop signs. He supported this opportunity for further study

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and Council will make a decision what to do next at a later date.

Councilmember Perkins also concurred, and thanked the residents who attended. She said if everyone drove the 25MPH speed limit we'd have a safe street, but it is obvious that we do need traffic calming measures along Via Del Monte to make it safer. She supported the opportunity to evaluate the effectiveness of the stop signs at Via Pinale, and returning to Council with an expedited review in October. If speeds are still higher than they would like, she wanted the review to include alternative recommendations, including options for other cushions or other traffic calming measures.

Mayor Bird thanked everyone for coming to speak. He opined that care and respect for each other are the hallmarks of the residents in this city. At the request of Malaga Cove residents and MCHA, engineering experts were engaged, studied the issue, and made recommendations. Council weighed and balanced all concerns voiced by the public and chose to place the speed cushions on Via Del Monte because of their concerns for the safety of our residents. Upon further evaluation, Council approved installation of a stop sign at Via Pinale, which provides the opportunity to reevaluate the particular speed cushions installed and their location. He favored traffic calming measures on Via Del Monte, and prefers the cushions rather than having nothing. He said speed humps elsewhere in the City are not able to be installed because Via Del Monte is a thoroughfare and there is concern for public safety vehicles. He said making the street safer benefits all of our residents, not just Via Del Monte residents, but also pedestrians, bike riders, and others who travel on the street. He said the cushions are necessary because we're all speeding – we're at fault – we can't seem to drive the 25 MPH speed limit on the street. He looked forward to a program proposed by City Manager Smith to encourage all of us to follow the City's speed limits by participating in a formal pledge program. Education and enforcement is important and more will be done in both areas. He said there is no way from keeping the cushions in place due to the slurry seal maintenance. Council consensus is to not reinstall the speed cushions right away but to take the opportunity, upon installation of the stop signs, to see results. He said he would support re-installment or additional speed cushions if it's necessary to make it safer for all the people who use that street. He supported a speed survey and Council will reevaluate the data.

On motion of MPT Goodhart, seconded by Councilmember Rea, Council directed staff to not re-install speed cushions on Via Del Monte until their review of a speed survey analysis on October 23, 2012, by unanimous oral vote; Humphrey absent.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - 7:30 PM

12. COUNTY WEED ABATEMENT CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 11-12

Deputy City Clerk Kroneberger confirmed public notice was given.

Director Rigg reported that the L.A. County Agricultural Commissioner/ Dept. Weights and Measures provided the City with their annual list for weed abatement proceedings in February. Council reviewed the list and declared these properties are a public nuisance. A public hearing was held to provide the opportunity for protest, and no one did. He said the County has now done the

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work and the charge list was provided--45 parcels shall be assessed for a total of \$16,550.80. All costs are paid for directly by residents. He said the County charges less than private firms, so this is a good deal for residents.

MPT Goodhart asked if the costs are reasonable, since the charges are 9.5% higher than last year, and asked if this is a typical increase. Director Rigg said he was not aware if unit costs have gone up, but can ask County representatives.

Mayor Bird opened the public hearing and having no one present who wished to speak, closed the public hearing.

On motion of Councilmember Perkins, seconded by Councilmember Rea, Council approved County Weed Abatement Charges for Fiscal Year 11-12 by unanimous oral vote.

OLD BUSINESS

13. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION R12-21 ACCEPTING OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN OPEN SPACE PROPERTIES KNOWN AS LOT C AND LOT D FROM THE PALOS VERDES HOMES ASSOCIATION AND ALLOWING OWNERSHIP TO REVERT TO THE PALOS VERDES HOMES ASSOCIATION OF CERTAIN CITY PARKLAND DESIGNATED AS AREA A AND ADJACENT TO 900 VIA PANORAMA

City Attorney Hogin reported that two actions are before Council this evening pursuant to the multi-party MOU entered into with the School District, property owners of 900 Via Panorama and the Palos Verdes Homes Association. After the concept was approved by all parties, they had to define the exact area around 900 Via Panorama that would be conveyed back to PVHA, and the school district needed to produce deeds. They have worked closely with the City Surveyor and City staff. The two items for consideration this evening include authorizing the mayor to sign a deed that would accept ownership of Lots C&D and tract 7331. The deed would then go into escrow once the real estate transactions are consummated. The other is the resolution and deed that would affect reversion of a portion of open space to the Homes Association subject to a deed before Council this evening.

City Attorney Hogin explained that the Quit Claim deed describes the area that surrounds 900 Via Panorama, which came into ownership of the City when gifted by the Homes Association; it is subject to all CC&Rs that all property in the City is subject to-- including a right of reversion held by the Homes Association that was upheld by the Superior Court. The right of reversion is effective when the property is used for other purpose than what is allowed. In this case, there were encroachments-- retaining walls on the property. The City can order removal of them, or to allow the property to revert back to the Homes Association. She said the better course of action in this case is to allow those retaining walls to remain; Public Works Director Rigg acknowledged that these walls are critical to the stability of the private property. Attorney Hogin said the resolution finds that this land has no public money spent to improve this property and its primary benefit to the public is its open space. The Homes Association agreed to allow the City to retain certain easements over the property, one which is an open space easement that keeps for public benefit the

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open space feeling. Also, they are retaining a blanket utility easement; Director Rigg has identified 2 easements on the property for sewer and drainage. The owners of 900 Via Panorama may ask to improve the storm drain to realign it because it is old. The most protective thing that we can do for the public is to have this blanket easement, but Council may wish to revisit this later. An emergency access road will also allow emergency vehicles access in perpetuity. The existing retaining walls for which the deed provides conveyance within 6 months to allow for their removal, or a permit obtained from the City to allow them to remain; an application will come to the Planning Commission. There is a small area set aside to allow accessory structures to be built, but this deed doesn't approve them, but only acknowledges the area they would be allowed to be built upon once City and Homes Association processes are followed and approved. It requires continued weed abatement on the property and prohibits it from ever being merged with the adjacent residential property.

Mayor Bird confirmed with Attorney Hogin that Area 3 on Exhibit B is the area allowing the grantee the opportunity to construct miscellaneous structures. She said it's the historical area where encroachments were in place. Mayor Bird asked about the possibility of new structures. Attorney Hogin said 'accessory structures' are listed; no structures are being put back. If rezoned for residential use, they are subject to all the same requirements. They are not putting back any structures, except for possibly a sports court.

Mayor Bird said this area was to look like open space; this was not land that the public was using, and it is not able to be seen from the street. He asked if the owner would be able to apply to build a structure, such as a guest house. Attorney Hogin said no, it would have to be an accessory structure as contained on the list, not a second residence. Mayor Bird asked if electricity could be added to improve structures. Attorney Hogin said this does not create any such rights. She said it would subject to the City's application, zoning, and Art Jury's approval. In these deeds, she said they are defining the area that has that potential. Mayor Bird confirmed with Attorney Hogin that they are not precluding, nor permitting such improvements. Director Rigg said lighting is not allowed on sports courts; they have considered a lot of possibilities, but ultimately the owner would have to go through the Planning Commission for approval. An existing 30 ft. wall would also have to get approval by the Planning Commission before being allowed to remain.

Mayor Bird said his understanding was that upon deeding the land to the City, it would not be able to be improved. Attorney Hogin confirmed this is correct; it is to remain as open space in perpetuity, but with the caveat that Area 3 is being carved out. Area 1 is where existing retaining walls are and the owners are allowed to apply for after-the-fact permits for the existing retaining walls. Bird asked about other accessory structures that would be allowed. Attorney Hogin said gazebo, sports court, retaining wall, landscaping, barbecues or any other accessory structure as defined in 18.32.010B of the PVEMC if approved.

Councilmember Perkins asked how Planning Commission will interpret this if they are applying for permits and approvals for an accessory structure. Attorney Hogin said accessory structures are not allowed in open space; an application for rezoning of Area 1 would be required. All community character findings would then be considered.

Councilmember Perkins confirmed with Attorney Hogin that upon Planning Commission approval,

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Council must review and approve it because of the associated legislative changes. Attorney Hogin said it is understood that the transaction would result in a privilege for that small parcel; but it is subject to all City requirements, such as allowing for a sports court, but not a lighted one.

Councilmember Rea asked about Planning Commission approval, and asked if it would come to Council without anyone having filed an appeal. Attorney Hogin said they are bundling the applications with the rezoning; the legislative application would come before the Council.

MPT Goodhart confirmed with Attorney Hogin that Areas 1 and 3 of this property are currently, and would remain, zoned as open space. He confirmed that an application for accessory structures that would cause a portion of Area 3 to be rezoned must come before Council for approval. Attorney Hogin said the owners of the Via Panorama property realize these may not be approved and that Council has discretion.

MPT Goodhart confirmed with Attorney Hogin that Lots C&D will become City property through the Homes Association. MPT Goodhart asked about maintenance requirements. Attorney Hogin said there is no plan; it is for Council to decide.

Attorney Hogin said per PVEMC 18.32.010D, the owner does not have rights to build. Director Rigg said in 2004 the encroachments were found (turf lawn and gazebos) with their GIS system; they were unknown to the City because it could not be seen from street; they are far below grade.

Councilmember Rea confirmed with Attorney Hogin that upon adoption of the resolution, if the Lugliani's [900 Via Panorama owners] are not happy with the blanket easement, they would return to Council in September. Attorney Hogin said it is anticipated that they will be satisfied.

On motion of MPT Goodhart, seconded by Councilmember Rea, Council adopted Resolution R12-21 accepting ownership of certain Open Space properties known as Lot C and Lot D from the Palos Verdes Homes Association and allowing ownership to revert to the Palos Verdes Homes Association of certain City Parkland designated as Area A and adjacent to 900 Via Panorama by unanimous oral vote; Humphrey absent.

STAFF REPORTS

15. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Smith said the FY 12-13 Major Projects list is a planning tool involving items which include significant staff time or projects for which Council has approved use of financial resources. A Mid-year update will follow. There are some major policy issues pending, including the Bluff Cove properties, RFP for Building and Planning in light of customer survey responses, and other administrative policies.

City Manager Smith highlighted two Police Department projects. Police Chief Dreiling, in light of AB109, has explored assigning an officer to a special investigative task force with the City of Redondo Beach; they are in the process of identifying candidates. In addition, there is an anticipated review of services officer and ancillary positions to see if there is a more efficient way

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to use these individuals, such as identifying cross-training and backfilling opportunities when there are vacancies.

She said the FY11-12 Projects list shows what was accomplished last year; some items are carried over to FY12-13.

MPT Goodhart asked about the Malaga Cove Groundwater Study; Director Rigg said this is an ongoing design activity, and explained that they are still under the study portion of this project due to this year's dry winter weather conditions.

On motion of Councilmember Rea, seconded by Councilmember Goodhart, Council received and filed the City Manager's Report by unanimous oral vote.

DEMANDS

16. DEMANDS OF JULY 24, 2012

On motion of Councilmember Perkins, seconded by MPT Goodhart, Council authorized payment of Motion #1 – Payroll Warrant of July 20, 2012, totaling \$241,420.13; Motion #2 – Warrant Register of July 24, 2012 (FY11-12), totaling \$75,991.66; and Motion #2a – Warrant Register of July 24 2012 (FY12-13), totaling \$517,347.72 by unanimous oral vote.

MAYOR& CITY COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

Mayor Bird announced that PV Symphonic Band will present a “Pops ‘n Picnic” Concert at 5:30 p.m. at the South Coast Botanical Garden on the meadow on Sunday, July 29th.

Councilmember Rea reported on his attendance at the Annual Board of Directors Meeting of the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority on July 18th.

Councilmember Rea reported that he and Mayor Bird attended the L.A. Brown Act Educational Forum, hosted by the L.A. County Prosecutors Association and the L.A. County District Attorney's Criminal Justice Institute at the MTA offices in Los Angeles on Wednesday, July 11th. Suggested Brown Act amendments to address modern technology and enforcement mechanisms were among topics discussed. He said Governor Brown's 3-year Brown Act suspension was not discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Bird adjourned the meeting at 9:44p.m. to Tuesday, September 11, 2012 in Council Chambers of City Hall for the purpose of a Regular Meeting.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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**VICKIE KRONEBERGER,
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CITY CLERK**

APPROVED BY:

GEORGE F. BIRD, JR., MAYOR

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OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
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August 8, 2012

A Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates was called to order this day at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall by Mayor Bird, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Councilmembers Perkins, Mayor Pro Tem Goodhart, Mayor Bird, Councilmember Humphrey (joined the meeting in progress at 6:08 p.m.), and Councilmember Rea (joined the meeting in progress at 6:10 p.m.)

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney Hogin, Assistant to the City Manager Davis, City Geologist Jim Lancaster

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA - No one came forward to speak.

At 6:03 p.m. Council recessed to Closed Session.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code 54956(b)

Number of potential cases: 3

Potential claims arising from Bluff Cove Homes licenses and current uses

At 8:10 p.m. Council reconvened to Open Session.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Attorney Hogin announced that the Council had met in closed session, discussed items on closed session agenda but took no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 11, 2012 in the City Council Chambers of City Hall and continued the closed session agenda to that date and time.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

VICKIE KRONEBERGER,
EXECUTIVE ASST./DEPUTY CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

GEORGE F. BIRD, JR., MAYOR