MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ANA SANTA ANA, CALILFORNIA

OCTOBER 15, 2007

CALLED TO ORDER

2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM #229

20 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA

6:04 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

COUNCILMEMBERS Present:

MIGUEL PULIDO, Mayor

CLAUDIA ALVAREZ, Mayor Pro Tem

(6:30 P.M.)

P. DAVID BENAVIDES CARLOS BUSTAMANTE MICHELE MARTINEZ VINCENT F. SARMIENTO

SAL TINAJERO

STAFF Present:

DAVID N. REAM, City Manager

JOSEPH W. FLETCHER, City Attorney PATRICIA E. HEALY, Clerk of the Council

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MAYOR PULIDO

90.A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Oscar Garza raised concerns about an increase in the number of cruisers in the McDonald's parking lot and that he has not had an adequate response from the Police Department; Steve McGuigan expressed concern that the Renaissance Plan is an example of spot development, and he also suggested that the City should not consider any guided system in its transit plans; Don Taylor reported that there are problems with traffic flow and parking at MacArthur and Raitt associated with Greenville School

CONSENT CALENDAR

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS - MINUTES

Motion:

Approve minutes. (Items 10.A. - 10.C.)

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Martinez SECOND: Benavides

VOTE: AYES: Benavides, Bustamante, Martinez,

Sarmiento, Tinajero, Pulido (6)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

ABSENT: Alvarez (1)

10.A. SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2007

10.B. REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 1, 2007

10.C. ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 1, 2007

WORK STUDY SESSIONS

W.S.A. Review and discussion of Transit Master Plan including reuse of Pacific Electric Right of Way, and "Go Local" Program, and related transit-oriented development opportunities

A review of the City's Transit Master Plan was presented by Jim Ross, Executive Director, Public Works Agency; highlights of this presentation are as follows:

- Review of OCTA Go Local Program
 - Expansion of the existing Metrolink service to become the backbone of the County's transit system
 - Implementation of the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) along Harbor Blvd., 17th and Bristol Streets
 - Improve access to/from Metrolink expanded service in 2009
 - Connect key activity centers and areas of high population and employment
 - City-initiated proposals
 - 5-10 year implementation
 - Three components:
 - Modern Streetcar: Santa Ana Regional Transportation Center (SARTC) to Civic Center, with extensions to N. Main (City Place) and Metro East
 - Development of PE Right-of-Way to State Route 22 (SR-22) with streetcar fixed guideway system, mixed flow lanes and potential future high speed train
 - SARTC expansion to regional hub

WORK STUDY SESSIONS

- Construct a new connector from SR-22 for mixed flow lanes and HOV
- Extend 17th Street BRT and streetcar fixed guideway system
- Potential future high speed train
- Santa Ana's Transit Vision includes making Santa Ana a transit hub
 - Connect the Santa Ana Rail Transit Center (SARTC) on east/ PE Right-of-Way on west
 - Link Metrolink, Civic Center, Downtown, SR-22
 - Provide transfer access to Santa Ana College, South Coast Metro, John Wayne Airport, neighborhoods, region
 - Support Transit Oriented Development
- Santa Ana's next steps
 - Submit six-month Go Local Project Concept Report to OCTA
 - Submit final Go Local Project Concept Report to OCTA
 - Prepare application for Go Local
 - Develop project concept components

Following this presentation, Council discussion ensued; members expressed support for the proposed City's Transit Vision

W.S.B. Review and discussion of highlights of Renaissance Plan and outreach efforts and schedule

A review of the proposed Renaissance Plan was presented by Jay Trevino, Executive Director, Planning and Building Agency; highlights of this presentation are as follows:

- The Renaissance Specific Plan provides policy and regulatory framework and translates the community vision into goals, policyinitiatives, regulations and standards
- Goals:
 - Make the City's core competitive in the region
 - Stabilize neighborhoods
 - Capitalize on transit opportunities
 - Transform the City's core into Orange County's downtown
 - Maximize public parking including park-once district public garages and on-street parking
 - Expand restaurant and retail activity
 - Create a variety of housing
 - Restore historic buildings
 - Maintain existing scale
- First Street Corridor:
 - · Improve image and character
 - Maintain pedestrian-friendly city-wide connector
 - Enable development compatible with adjacent neighborhoods

WORK STUDY SESSIONS

- Lacy Neighborhood:
 - Neighborhood scaled infill
 - Create varied open spaces
 - Improve walkability and connections with downtown
 - Preserve historic structures
- Logan Neighborhood:
 - Neighborhood-scaled infill development
 - Connect with regional bike trail
 - Balance between residential & non-residential uses
- Rail Station district:
 - Leverage transportation services through significant transit-oriented development
 - Create walkable blocks
 - Create varied open spaces
 - Connect with regional bike trails
 - Maximize public parking
- Invest in: historic preservation, mobility and public transportation, shared parking, civic and cultural amenities, public realm, employment, housing and retail expansion
- Next steps:
 - Community outreach in Fall, 2007 including workshops, study sessions, and community meetings
 - Environmental Impact Report December 2007
 - Public hearing and adoption

COMMENTS

90.B. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT - 7:55 P.M.

Patricia E. Healy Clerk of the Council