

**PINOLE CITY COUNCIL &
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
MINUTES
APRIL 26, 2011**

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE IN HONOR OF THE US MILITARY TROOPS

The Special Pinole City Council / Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors meeting was held in the Pinole Council Caucus-Community Room, 2131 Pear Street, Pinole, California. Mayor Swearingen called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL, CITY CLERK/SECRETARY'S REPORT & STATEMENT OF CONFLICT

A. COUNCIL PRESENT

Tim Banuelos, Council Member
Phil Green, Council Member
Debbie Long, Council Member.
Peter Murray, Mayor Pro Tem
Roy V. Swearingen, Mayor

B. STAFF PRESENT

Belinda Espinosa, City Manager / Executive Director
Michelle Fitzer, Assistant City Manager
Inga Lintvedt, Assistant City Attorney
Mary Drazba, Economic Development Manager
Patricia Athenour, City Clerk

City Clerk Patricia Athenour announced that the Agenda was posted on April 21, 2011 at 4:00 PM. All legally required notice was provided. She asked the Council and Redevelopment Board of Directors whether there were any conflicts with any items on the agenda. None were reported.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Tom Cutino, Pinole citizen, addressed Council regarding the Public Hearing notice regarding Environmental Assessment for the I-80 Integrated Corridor Mobility Project. He stated his opposition to ramp metering lights and asked the Council to send comments to Cal Trans prior to the May 25, 2011 deadline. He provided a brief history regarding the formation of ABAG to group jobs, housing and people together and that this action defeats that purposes and encourages more traffic from the adjacent counties, causing pollution and congestion.

Mayor Swearingen responded that the Council was very involved and taken a firm position opposing the metering lights in this project through its affiliation with West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee (WCCTAC). He said that Pinole will retain the right to turn off the lights within our jurisdiction.

Council Member Green said that perhaps the metering and traffic management should take place further east, and in Solano County.

Council Member Long agreed with the speaker that the City Council should send a letter to CalTrans, documenting Pinole's concerns and oppositions.

There was Council concurrence to send a letter under the Mayor's signature.

Mayor Pro Tem Murray said the Mayor should raise the issue at the next West County Mayors and Supervisors Meeting and suggest slowing the traffic further east through use of metering or even toll booths.

3. CONVENE TO A CLOSED SESSION – CITY COUNCIL AND AGENCY BOARD

At 7:25 p.m., Mayor Swearingen adjourned the meeting to the Noticed Closed Session.

City Council

- A. **CONFERENCED WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR - Pursuant to GC §54597.6**
City Labor Negotiator: Bruce Heid, Chief Negotiator, Belinda Espinosa,
City Manager & Michelle Fitzer, Asst City Manager
Employee Organizations: Local 1, AFSCME, Fire Local 1230, PPEA,
Unrepresented, & Management Group

Pinole Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors

- B. **CONFERENCED WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR - GC §54956.8**
Property Location: 2401 San Pablo Avenue
Agency Negotiator: Michelle Fitzer, Assistant City Manager
Negotiating Parties: San Pablo Avenue Partners LLC
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms
- C. **CONFERENCED WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR - GC §54956.8**
Property Location: 2700–2830 Pinole Valley Rd., Pinole Valley Shopping Center
Agency Negotiator: Michelle Fitzer, Assistant City Manager
Negotiating Parties: TKG Pinole Valley LLC
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

4. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO ANNOUNCE RESULTS OF CLOSED SESSION

At 11:05 p.m., Mayor Swearingen reconvened the meeting in open session. He announced there were no reportable actions from Closed Session.

5. ADJOURNMENT

At 11:06 p.m., Mayor Swearingen adjourned the Special Meeting to the Regular Redevelopment Agency/City Council Meeting of May 3, 2011 and in memory of the fallen US Armed Service members and Pinole citizens Amber Swartz.

Submitted by:

Patricia Athenour, MMC
City Clerk

APPROVED BY AGENCY BOARD / CITY COUNCIL: