

GARDEN GROVE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND
CONSERVATION COMMISSION (NICC)
Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92840

Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 2, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: 6:40 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Blackmun
Commissioner Brietigam
Commissioner Constantino
Commissioner McIntosh
Commissioner Muneton
Commissioner Pham
Commissioner Ramirez

Absent: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Allison Mills, Neighborhood Improvement Manager; James Eggart, Assistant City Attorney; Monica Covarrubias and Paul Guerrero, Senior Program Specialists; Nida Watkins, Code Enforcement Supervisor; Karl Hill, Planning Services Manager; Alana Cheng, Senior Administrative Analyst; Kathy Bailor, City Clerk; Judith Moore, Recording Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by staff.

SWEARING IN OF COMMISSIONERS:

Oath of Office administered to Commissioners. Commissioners then gave a brief description of their backgrounds.

SELECTION OF CHAIR:

Action: Commissioner Brietigam nominated as Chair by Commissioner Blackmun. No further nominations received.

Action: Commissioner Brietigam selected as Chair.

Motion: Blackmun Second: Constantino

Ayes: (7) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton, Pham, Ramirez

Noes: (0) None

SELECTION OF VICE CHAIR:

Action: Commissioner Constantino nominated as Vice Chair by Commissioner Brietigam. No further nominations received.

Action: Commissioner Constantino selected as Vice Chair.

Motion: Brietigam Second: Ramirez

Ayes: (7) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton, Pham, Ramirez

Noes: (0) None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC: Mr. Craig Durfey recommended that the City provide housing for the homeless. Mr. John O'Neill welcomed and congratulated the new Commissioners. Ms. Mary Luna, of the International Crusade of the Penny, expressed the need to support the needy and for a City-based radio station dedicated to spreading the word.

DECEMBER 1, 2014 MINUTES:

Action: Received and filed.

Motion: Brietigam Second: Blackmun

Ayes: (7) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton, Pham, Ramirez

Noes: (0) None

MATTERS FROM STAFF:

5.a. Acknowledgement of 2015 Meeting Dates

Acknowledged. Staff also mentioned that the next meeting on June 1st would occur at the Courtyard Center.

5.b. Brown Act

Staff presented an outline of the Brown Act to the Commission.

5.c. Housing Element Update

The staff report dated March 2, 2015 was introduced. Staff responded to Commissioner's comments and questions.

5.d. Public Hearing for the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan and Fiscal Year 2015-16 Action Plan

The staff report dated March 2, 2015 was introduced. Genevieve Sharrow presented an outline of the Plans to the Commission. Comments were received from the Commission and public. Mr. Craig Durfey suggested that the City provide a stronger base for grant acquisitions and improve housing mobility issues.

Action: Public Hearing held. Speaker(s): Mr. Craig Durfey

Action: Recommend transmission of the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan and Fiscal Year 2015-16 Action Plan to the City Council.

Motion: Brietigam Second: Ramirez

Ayes: (7) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton, Pham, Ramirez

Noes: (0) None

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Commissioner Muneton stated that residents of the Buena Clinton area were hesitant to seek assistance for Code Enforcement and substandard housing issues. Staff responded that the next meeting would include an overview of Code Enforcement; that Code Enforcement responds to land use issues, while the Building Division inspects substandard housing conditions; that 'conservation' included conserving neighborhoods by keeping them up to code through code enforcement and building abatement; and that removing donation bins was an ongoing process.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:20 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission on Monday, June 1, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the Courtyard Center, 12732 Main Street, Garden Grove, CA.

Judith Moore, Recording Secretary