TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2003

A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Burbank was held in the Council Chamber of the City Hall, 275 East Olive Avenue, on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m. by Mr. Laurell, Mayor.

CLOSED SESSION

Present- - - - Council Members Golonski, Ramos, Vander Borght and Laurell.

Absent - - - Council Member Murphy.

Also Present - Mr. Ovrom, City Manager; Mr. Barlow, City Attorney; and, Mrs.

Campos, City Clerk.

Oral There was no response to the Mayor's invitation for oral Communications communications on Closed Session matters at this time.

5:07 P.M. Recess The Council recessed at this time to the City Hall Basement Lunch Room/Conference Room to hold a Closed Session on the following:

a. <u>Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation</u>:

Pursuant to Govt. Code §54956.9(a)

Name of Case: Tina Staffon et al. v. City of Burbank

Case No.: LASC Case no. BC256835

Brief description and nature of case: Alleged

employment discrimination.

b. Conference with Real Property Negotiator:

Pursuant to Govt. Code §54956.8

Agency Negotiator: Burbank Water and Power General

Manager/Ron Davis.

Property: 3900 West Alameda Avenue

Parties with Whom City is Negotiating: West Alameda

Avenue Property LLC.

Terms Under Negotiation: Renewal of the rooftop

communications lease.

c. Public Employee Appointment:

Pursuant to Govt. Code §54956.95

Title of Position: City Manager.

Brief description of position to be filled: Administrative

Head of Burbank City Government.

Regular Meeting Reconvened in Council Chambers

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Burbank was reconvened at 6:47 p.m. by Mr. Laurell, Mayor.

Invocation The invocation was given by Pastor Paul Clairville, Westminster

Presbyterian Church.

Flag Salute The pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Pete McGrath,

President of the Support for Seniors Foundation.

ROLL CALL

Present- - - - Council Members Golonski, Murphy, Ramos, Vander Borght

and Laurell.

Absent - - - - Council Members None.

Also Present - Mr. Ovrom, City Manager; Mr. Barlow, City Attorney; and, Mrs.

Campos, City Clerk.

301-1 Certificate of Recognition Mayor Laurell presented a Certificate of Recognition to Mrs. Kay Moioffer, Deputy City Clerk, upon the occasion of her

retirement.

Reporting on Closed Session

Mr. Barlow reported on the items considered by the City

Council during the Closed Session meeting.

First Period of

Oral

Communications

Mr. Laurell called for speakers for the first period of oral communications at this time.

Citizen Comment

Appearing to comment were William Roskam, commenting on potential traffic safety issues with regard to the placement of newsracks between mailboxes on Olive Avenue in front of the Post Office; Vic Georgino, in support of Measure L; Peter McGrath, in support of Measure L; R. C. "Chappy" Czapiewski, commenting on the departure of Mr. Ovrom; Howard Rothenbach, in support of Measure L; Esther Espinoza, commenting on freedom of speech; C. L. Stack, commenting on Mr. Ovrom's departure and in support of Ms. Alvord serving as City Manager; and Mark Barton, on the construction cost for improvements at the intersection of Buena Vista Street and San Fernando Boulevard.

Staff Response Members of the Council and staff responded to questions

raised.

Second Period Of Oral

Communications

Citizen

Appearing to comment were Tom Bruehl, in support of

Mr. Laurell called for speakers for the second period of oral

communications at this time.

Comment

Channel 6 telecasting statements for and against Measure L for public education purposes; Michael Hastings, in support of the production and telecasting of public education statements regarding Measure L; R. C. "Chappy" Czapiewski, distributing a letter requesting the Council refrain from using the term "City business" when discussing the Brown Act; Todd Campbell, in support of Measure L education statements being telecast on Channel 6, and commenting on parking issues related to strip commercial zoning; Mark Barton, commenting on parking issues related to strip commercial zoning, and identifying potential long-term strategies; Esther Espinoza, requesting literature regarding Measure L; and Howard Rothenbach, responding to Ms. Espinoza's comments regarding Measure L.

Staff Response Members of the Council and staff responded to questions

raised.

Motion It was moved by Ms. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Golonski

that "the following items on the consent calendar be approved

as recommended."

Minutes Approved The minutes for the regular meeting of November 26, 2002

were approved as submitted.

1007-1 RESOLUTION NO. 26,412:

1009-1

Permit Technician

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURBANK Establish Title of ESTABLISHING THE TITLE AND CLASSIFICATION OF PERMIT **PRESCRIBING** TECHNICIAN (CTC NO. 0605) AND CLASSIFICATION CODE NUMBER, SALARY AND

SPECIFICATION THEREOF.

1007-1 RESOLUTION NO. 26,413:

1009-1 Establish Title of ESTABLISHING

Customer Programs Coordinator

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURBANK THE TITLE AND CLASSIFICATION OF CUSTOMER PROGRAMS COORDINATOR (CTC NO. 0240) AND PRESCRIBING CLASSIFICATION CODE NUMBER, SALARY AND SPECIFICATION THEREOF.

1007-1 RESOLUTION NO. 26,414:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURBANK 1009-1 Establish Title of ESTABLISHING THE TITLE AND CLASSIFICATION OF Manager Transmission Engineering in

MANAGER TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION ENGINEERING (CTC NO. 0531) AND PRESCRIBING CLASSIFICATION CODE and Distribution NUMBER, SALARY AND SPECIFICATION THEREOF.

BWP

1007-1 RESOLUTION NO. 26,415:

1009-1 Establish Title of ESTABLISHING

Financial Planning And Risk

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURBANK THE TITLE AND CLASSIFICATION FINANCIAL PLANNING AND RISK MANAGER (CTC NO. 0347) AND PRESCRIBING CLASSIFICATION CODE NUMBER, SALARY AND SPECIFICATION THEREOF.

Manager in BWP

1007-1 RESOLUTION NO. 26,416:

1009-1

Utility Environmental

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURBANK Establish Title of ESTABLISHING THE TITLE AND CLASSIFICATION OF UTILITY ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR (CTC NO. 0972) AND PRESCRIBING CLASSIFICATION CODE NUMBER, SALARY AND SPECIFICATION THEREOF.

Coordinator

1007-1 RESOLUTION NO. 26,417:

1009-1 Revise Title of Field and Evidence Tech. A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURBANK REVISING AND RE-TITLING THE SPECIFICATION OF FIELD AND EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN (CTC NO. 0336) TO FORENSIC SPECIALIST (CTC NO. 0366).

to Forensic Specialist

1007-1 RESOLUTION NO. 26,418:

1009-1 Revise Title of Field and Evidence Tech. Supervisor to Forensic

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURBANK REVISING AND RE-TITLING THE SPECIFICATION OF FIELD AND EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN SUPERVISOR (CTC NO. 0337) TO FORENSIC SPECIALIST SUPERVISOR (CTC NO. 0367).

Specialist Supervisor

804-3 RESOLUTION NO. 26,419: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURBANK 907 801-2 AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003 BUDGET FOR THE Police Dept. Grant Funds Received from State (CLEEP) PURPOSE OF RECEIVING AND APPROPRIATING CALIFORNIA LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,029.01 FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

Adopted

The consent calendar was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Golonski, Murphy, Ramos, Vander

Borght and Laurell.

Noes: Council Members None. Absent: Council Members None.

102-3 204 701 Telecast Statements For or Against Measure L Mrs. Cohen, Interim Library Services Director, reported on the State's Library Construction and Bond Act, authorizing the award of library construction grants on a competitive basis to communities for new or expanded library facilities. She stated the maximum grant was \$20 million per project or 65 percent of the construction cost with a local match of 35 percent, and that the Library Services Department intended to apply for this grant. She noted Council's approval of a ballot measure for incurring bonded indebtedness for inclusion on the February 25, 2003 ballot, known as Measure L.

Mrs. Cohen stated the general obligation bonds proposed to finance the local match for a new Central Library and a new Northwest Branch Library shall not exceed \$14 million, noting these bonds are contingent upon receiving the State grant and would not be issued if the City was not awarded the grant. She stated candidate statements were currently being aired on Channel 6 for the purpose of voter education, and requested Measure L be given the same opportunity to educate the public, suggesting the use of the Burbank Close-Up program to deliver the message. She also informed the Council that no argument in opposition to Measure L was filed with the City Clerk, and requested Council support directing staff to produce and telecast, on Channel 6, statements in support of or in opposition to Measure L, on an on-going basis, until the Burbank Primary Election on February 25, 2003.

Mr. Golonski requested clarification of whether the request was to produce an impartial program, noting although there was no organized opposition to Measure L, the opportunity needed to be made available to the public. Mrs. Murphy indicated she was in favor of providing public education, but cautioned against advocacy in the process.

Mr. Ovrom suggested the program begin with an impartial analysis, followed by statements for and against the measure,

as is done in the sample ballot.

Motion

It was moved by Mr. Golonski and seconded by Ms. Murphy that "staff be directed to produce and telecast on Channel 6 statements in support of or in opposition to Measure L, on an on-going basis, until the Burbank Primary Election on February 25, 2003, and that the City Clerk be directed to set a deadline of one week for parties to apply with the City Clerk's Office to present arguments for and against Measure L as well as an impartial analysis."

Carried

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Golonski, Murphy, Ramos, Vander

Borght and Laurell.

Noes: Council Members None. Absent: Council Members None.

Motion to Remove Agenda Item It was moved by Ms. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Vander Borght and carried that "the item regarding the Household Hazardous Waste Contract Agreement between the Cities of Burbank and Glendale for continued use of the Glendale Environmental Management Center be removed from the agenda."

1600
Parking Issues
Related to Strip
Commercial
Zoning

Ms. Teel, Administrative Analyst II, reported on the findings of the adhoc committee comprising of staff from the Public Works Department, Community Development Department, Police and Fire Departments along with Council, and Traffic and Transportation Committee representation pursuant to the 2001-02 Work Program and consistent with Council discussion at the May 2002 goal setting session. She noted automobile ownership and population density are not what they were in the 1940s when parking requirements easily accommodated the demands of the day. She stated today's requirements are higher and vary according to uses, especially in areas where strip commercial zones abut residential neighborhoods.

She noted given the current and projected population densities compounded by ever increasing dependency on personal transportation, there was not enough parking to go around. She acknowledged that convenience has been cited as an enticing factor for attracting businesses to strip commercial areas today, and could mean the difference between a business succeeding or failing at a given location. She noted the continuing challenge in balancing residential and commercial interests and added offices and retail uses created

even a greater demand for all-day parking.

Ms. Teel then outlined the long-term solutions and discussed available short-term mitigation options including: preferential/permit parking, which is the most popular with time limited restrictions, usually one or two hours, though businesses can apply and receive a permit for all day parking; redesigning of existing off-street commercial parking, noting that customers continuously use on-street parking and alley parks are under utilized, and redesigning would enhance feasibility and maximize parking availability; angled parking, which, though somewhat costly relative to the number of parking spaces gained, would provide a passive traffic calming device and was used extensively in the Magnolia Park area; encouraging shared parking by providing economic incentives to businesses to share their surplus parking; encouraging satellite employee parking by providing incentives to businesses whose employees utilize satellite parking with shuttle service, noting this option was the most difficult to implement as it required voluntary compliance by the businesses and employees; rehabilitation of existing R-1 parking lots, noting that residents were unresponsive to the idea; renewed use of alley-adjacent R-1 lots for off-street parking, noting although residents were unresponsive to the idea, it was a good cost to benefit ratio, more financially feasible and developmentally desirable.

She concluded that alleviating parking issues related to street commercial zoning required two fundamental components; identifying the nature and extent of the problem, and working with the affected commercial and residential interests to identify and implement the most appropriate mitigation measure to resolve the problems. She stated there were no ready-made one-size-fits-all solutions for street commercial zoning, and that each situation was unique. She added staff had experienced that where businesses and residents have been at odds over on-street parking, both parties have ultimately been able to successfully arrive at a mutually acceptable compromise, working together to identify the most appropriate mitigation option and customize the solution. After discussion, the Council noted and filed the report.

1503 1504 BWP Monthly Operation Report

Mr. Davis, Burbank Water and Power General Manager, gave the monthly water and power operating report. He reported water quality continued to meet or exceed the federal drinking water standards, including the administrative goals set by the Council for chromium. In terms of operating results, he reported water sales and revenues continued to run slightly below budget but the situation was being remedied with cost

control. With regard to security, he stated BWP applied for and received a grant to perform a security study as a federal regulation and that staff recommendations would be brought before the Council at a future date. He also reported reliability statistics continued to be positive and, although there was much damage during the recent windstorms, there were few power outages.

He noted electric sales were substantially below forecast, noting conservation continued to have a reduction effect on energy consumption and that electric sales would continue to be lower than previously forecasted; however, the deficit in retail electric revenues has been offset by wholesale revenues.

On the project side, Mr. Davis reported staff continued with the demolition of the Magnolia 1, 2 and 3 plants and added staff was consulting with Verizon on the possibility of providing competitive communication services, noting the new customer information billing system that was implemented in January. He also briefly reported on the construction of the 16-inch reclaim water main to serve the Chandler Bikeway project.

Mr. Golonski inquired about the State grant for technology to reduce chromium. Mr. Davis stated staff would report to the Council on the preliminary work and informed the Council the State had retreated on the chromium standards.

The Council noted and filed the report.

Third Period of Oral Communication

Mr. Laurell called for speakers for the third period of oral communications at this time.

Citizen Comment

Appearing to comment was Eden Rosen, submitting copies of recent newspaper articles, inquiring when the affordable housing report would appear on the Council agenda, commenting on repairs being made on Clark Avenue, and on oral communications rules.

Staff Response

Members of the Council and staff responded to questions raised.

Adjournment	There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.	
		Margarita Campos, City Clerk
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