

CITY OF PITTSBURG
Redevelopment Agency Minutes
December 2, 2002

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Beals-Rogers, Lewis, Quesada, Rios, Aiello

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director, Willis Casey
Legal Counsel, Linda Daube
Assistant Legal Counsel, Carol Victor
City Clerk, Lillian Pride
Director of the Redevelopment Agency, Garrett Evans
Director of Public Works, John Fuller
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Director of Planning and Building, Randy Jerome
City Engineer, Joe Sbranti
Personnel Services Director, Marc Fox
Police Chief, Aaron Baker
Executive Assistant to the City Manager, Alice Evenson

CITIZENS REMARKS

There were no citizen remarks for the Redevelopment Agency.

MEMBERS REMARKS

There were no Member remarks for the Redevelopment Agency.

CONSENT

On motion by Vice Chair Beals, seconded by Member Rios and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar, as follows:

a. **MINUTES** Dated: November 18, 2002

Approved Minutes dated November 18, 2002.

ADJOURNMENT

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Respectfully submitted,

Lillian J. Pride, Secretary

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Antioch Mayor Donald Freitas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS REMARKS

KEN GRAY, City Recreation Supervisor advised that the City had sponsored the Nutcracker Ballet for the past ten years.

KIM HARDESTER with the Theater Ballet of San Francisco congratulated the old and the new Council and introduced some of the local dancers chosen to perform in the annual Theater Ballet of San Francisco's Nutcracker. She stated that the ballet would be performed on December 7 at 2:00 PM at the Civic Arts Building. She presented tickets to the City Council and thanked the City for its continued support. She also described the activities of the Pacific Dance Theater, the cultural participation involved, and reported that consistent with past years tickets would be provided to the underprivileged youth of the community.

WARREN SMITH, Pittsburg, submitted a card to speak but was not present to do so.

WILLIE MIMS, Pittsburg, representing the Black Political Association (BPA), asked to address the new Council. At this time Vice-Mayor Beals stated he should address the current Council only. Mr. Mims then bid the Council farewell and reiterated his earlier comments to the Mayor that it had been a pleasure debating with him over the last year. To the new Council majority he expressed his hope that the moral courage and intellectual heart was present to reevaluate what had been occurring over the last year with respect to the funds generated by the power plant, the numerous questionable Mitigated Negative Declarations that had been certified, the assessments and taxes that he suggested had not been paid, the reclamation of the Marina Center for the benefit of the citizenry, the Seafood Festival and the lack of revenue sharing, the Kirker Creek Project that had a serious negative impact on the Black community in particular the area of the detention pond, the Brown Act, conflicts of interest, and Redevelopment Law. He expressed his hope that the voice of the citizenry would be heard.

CHARLES SMITH, Pittsburg, stated that he had not found the Council to be environmentally aware or proactive to the community. In recognition that City staff had tried to be accommodating to the current Council he urged staff to be forthright with the new Council.

GEORGE DELACRUZ, Bay Point, speaking for the Bay Point Municipal Advisory Commission (MAC) welcomed the new Council and bid farewell to the old. He expressed his hope that this would open a new era of cooperation between all the communities of Contra Costa County.

MEMBERS REMARKS

There were no Member remarks.

CONSENT

On motion by Vice Mayor Beals, seconded by Councilmember Rios and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar, as follows:

- a. **DISBURSEMENT LISTS** Periods Ending: November 14, 2002 and November 25, 2002

Approved Disbursement Lists periods ending November 14 and November 25, 2002.

- b. **CLAIMS** #1489 Grace Kasid, #1456 Yvonne Alexander

Denied claims #1489 Grace Kasid and #1456 Yvonne Alexander.

- c. **MINUTES** Dated: November 18, 2002

Approved Minutes dated November 18, 2002.

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS

1. **RESOLUTION 02-9723** Declaring and Certifying Municipal Election Results

On motion by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Vice Mayor Beals and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 02-9723.

REMARKS FROM PRESENT MAYOR

1. Mayor Frank Aiello

Mayor Aiello congratulated William Glynn, Michael Kee and Nancy Parent and stated that all three had been chosen by the people to represent the people. For himself, he stated that it had been an honor for the last five years to represent the citizens of Pittsburg in good and bad times, with no regrets from the inception of his venture in 1989 as a citizen fighting a landfill.

Mayor Aiello emphasized that the citizenry wanted a place where children could play and be educated and for which it could be proud. He suggested that the new Council could make that happen. He urged the new Council to challenge the recent court decision where due process had been attacked and he suggested that should not be allowed to occur since the ability to represent the people had been attacked by that decision.

Mayor Aiello took this opportunity to thank staff for all their hard work during the past five years, to those that had helped elect him and to former Councilmembers who had helped him prepare for his role. He offered his best wishes to the new Council and to the new Mayor.

ROGER MARTIN, president-elect, President ROSE SCUDERO and Curator/Director MARTI AIELLO of the Pittsburg Historical Society (PHS) took this opportunity to thank the Council for its help in preserving the memory of the City of Pittsburg. For the retiring members of the Council, Councilmembers Lewis and Quesada and Mayor Aiello he presented a packet of information entitled *Sentimental Journey, a Story of the City of Pittsburg* which presented the story of Camp Stoneman, the City's fishing industry, the Winter Isle experiment and a membership application with a story of the PHS itself. He presented a certificate in recognition of the departing Councilmembers' service to the City.

RECOGNITION

1. Mayor Frank Aiello
2. Councilmember Robert Lewis
3. Councilmember Frank Quesada
4. City Treasurer John Garcia

Vice Mayor Beals took this opportunity to recognize outgoing City Officials. She presented a Plaque of Appreciation to John Garcia in recognition of his 34 years of service

to the City as City Treasurer.

In accepting his plaque, JOHN GARCIA stated that it had been an honor to serve the City over the last 34 years.

Vice Mayor Beals made a presentation to Councilmember Frank Quesada in recognition of his many years of service to the community.

Councilmember Quesada thanked all those who had worked with him in the past, in particular the City staff. He stated that he had been a public servant for over 30 years and he summarized the many things that had been accomplished over that time, particularly the economic development and housing diversity that had made the City a better place to work and play. He stated that the City was at its best when it was responsive to the people. While the City Council could be limited by what it could do based on the limitations of its budget, the Council could develop clear and visionary policies to better serve the citizens of the community. He was proud that the sitting Council had left a footprint and a budget for the Teen Center, the Senior Center and the remodeling of the City Library, along with many other City projects that were now the responsibility of the new Council. He thanked the citizenry for the opportunity to serve and wished the new Council well.

Vice Mayor Beals presented a plaque in recognition of Councilmember Robert Lewis' many years of service to the community.

Councilmember Lewis took this opportunity to reflect on the accomplishments that had occurred in the thirteen years that he had been a member of the City Council during which time he had worked with six different City Councils, four different City Managers and three different City Attorneys. He emphasized that the City was fortunate to have a very dedicated and hard working City staff.

Citing four major achievements during his tenure, Councilmember Lewis referred to Stoneman Village, infrastructure improvements to aging and inefficient water and sewer systems and the addition of parks and landscaped medians all maintained without proportional increases and staffing, the City Hall/Civic Center and the City's power plant ventures. He expressed his hope that the new City Council would see other projects to completion, such as the downtown and Marina development. He also emphasized the need for regional cooperation, less divisive elections, transportation improvements, and the refurbishment of the Creative Arts Building in partnership with the Pittsburg Unified School District (PUSD).

Councilmember Lewis thanked those who had supported him over the years, particularly his family, as well as the many former Councilmembers, City officials and others who had worked so hard to make the City what it had become. He took this opportunity to pass on a "sculpture of eyes" to Bill Glynn, which sculpture had been given to him in 1989 by retiring Councilmember Richard Lettman, who like himself had placed third in the election, as a "reminder that the eyes of your constituents are always on you." He emphasized that it had been an honor and privilege to serve the City during his thirteen

years of service.

Vice Mayor Beals presented a plaque of recognition to Mayor Frank Aiello in honor of his service to the community.

Mayor Aiello stated that over the last year Pittsburg had done something that no other city in California had done in that the City had entered the global market by signing economic development agreements with three different nations which would allow the City to enter the global market in Japan, Korea and Italy. He urged the City and the new Council to take advantage of those agreements. He emphasized the tremendous opportunity for the City to move forward through not only the global market but through the Auto Mall that was expected to represent millions of dollars of sales tax revenue to the City to ensure that it would not need to be dependent upon redevelopment funds.

Mayor Aiello thanked the citizens, the staff, his supporters and all those who had given him the honor of serving.

COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

1. Oath of Office

City Clerk Lillian Pride noted that normally the City Clerk, after being sworn in herself, would swear in the newly elected Councilmembers, although the City was honored at this time to have Justice Maria Rivera of the First District Court of Appeals perform that honor.

JUSTICE MARIA RIVERA presented Certificates of Election to each and presented the oath of office to *Lillian Pride* (City Clerk), *Jim Holmes* (City Treasurer), *William Glynn*, *Michael Kee*, and *Nancy Parent* (Councilmembers).

Newly sworn in Councilmembers Glynn, Kee and Parent joined the Council at this time.

2. Selection of Mayor/Chair

Councilmember Rios nominated Vice Mayor Beals as Mayor/Chair. Councilmember Kee seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. *Yvonne Beals* was unanimously selected as the Mayor/Chair.

3. Selection of Vice-Mayor/Vice-Chair

Councilmember Parent nominated Councilmember Rios as the Vice-Mayor/Vice-Chair. Councilmember Glynn seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. *Aleida Rios* was unanimously selected as the Vice-Mayor/Vice-Chair.

4. Remarks from New Vice-Mayor

Vice Mayor Rios thanked former Mayor Aiello and former Councilmembers Quesada and Lewis for their contributions to the City and welcomed newly sworn in Councilmembers Glynn, Kee and Parent. She highlighted the several firsts that had just occurred with the selection of the first female African-American Mayor, the first female Hispanic Vice Mayor and the first time there had been three women on the Council at the same time. As Vice Mayor it was her goal to do what was right for the community and make her decisions based on fact and research and to continue to do what was best for the City with the assistance of the Council, staff, the citizens of Pittsburg and neighboring cities. She offered her congratulations to Mayor Beals.

5. Presentations/Comments

Councilmember Kee stated that it was an honor and a privilege to be selected to serve on the City Council and he would do his best to live up to that trust.

Councilmember Glynn thanked the voters of the City, welcomed the new Mayor, and stated that he had been involved with a number of organizations in the City and as a result of Conflict of Interest laws would regrettably have to withdraw from many of them. He looked forward to serving the City in the future.

Councilmember Parent thanked those who had elected her, her campaign manager, campaign treasurer and office staff and expressed her hope that Pittsburg could be a City that was never static but was continually moving forward socially, economically and physically, using all the resources available to it, especially those of its diverse population to provide the highest quality of life possible for all citizens. She urged the citizenry to expect a high standard of performance from its public workers, the opportunity to be heard, where the concept of local government was not crippled by indifference or avarice, where all employees were to work together to provide the best possible service for everyone, where management and leadership embraced all employees and where all people shared and accomplished mutual goals in an atmosphere of respect.

Councilmember Parent added that all should be continually rising to the challenge of the difficult circumstances that all lived in with a City better today than it was yesterday and where every citizen could proudly seek to fulfill his/her goals in the City of New Horizons.

Mayor Beals acknowledged a number of special presentations.

CAROLYN ROBINSON, representing Senator Tom Torlakson, acknowledged the truly historical occasion and reported that Senator Torlakson would make the presentation himself at a future meeting. She added that Mayor Beals had worked in then Assemblymember Torlakson's office and they were all very proud of her and of the occasion. She expressed her best wishes to the incoming City Council.

PERCY PINKNEY, Senior State Field Representative for Senator Dianne Feinstein, offered Senator Feinstein's congratulations and read a letter from the Senator who recognized Mayor Beals' long-standing service and record of accomplishments. She was

confident that Mayor Beals would lead the City of Pittsburg to new heights.

SUPERVISOR FEDERAL GLOVER congratulated Mayor Beals and those who had committed to work for the City. He recognized members of surrounding cities who were present due to the importance of working together regionally. In recognition of the historical significance of the new Council led by Mayor Beals he presented a resolution of recognition from the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors.

ASSEMBLYMEMBER JOE CANCIAMILLA congratulated all the newly elected members of the Council and thanked and acknowledged the work of the three departing members for all their years of service. He extended his congratulations to Mayor Beals and stated that the Speaker of the Assembly had expressed his support and interest in the City of Pittsburg. On behalf of the California Assembly, he presented the Mayor with a proclamation from the Assembly.

SHANELLE SCALES, representing Congressman George Miller, read a letter from the Congressman to congratulate Mayor Beals.

ITEKA GREEN read a poem entitled *Commitment* that she dedicated to Mayor Beals in thanks for her commitment.

Mayor Beals introduced Sistas in Motion who performed at this time.

MILDRED LYLES took this opportunity to make a presentation to Mayor Beals, the dignitaries in the audience and the community at large in honoring the outgoing members of the Council as well as the newly sworn in members and the City Clerk. She specifically recognized the three women on the Council.

TONI BLACKMAN, as a former classmate of Mayor Beals and now a world-traveling artist, professor and cultural ambassador with the U.S. Department of State, expressed her pride in Mayor Beals' accomplishments.

Mayor Beals thanked her family, friends, colleagues and staff for the honor of serving as Mayor during the City's Centennial Year marking the accomplishments of many that had contributed to the City. She thanked former Councilmembers Lewis, Aiello and Quesada and congratulated new Councilmembers Glynn, Kee and Parent.

Mayor Beals stated that the coming year marked 100 years of the past, present and future. She stressed the many opportunities possible in the future, and stated that the Council must move forward as a team working together to invest in the community and accommodate its basic needs of mind, heart and soul. For the mind, she stated that the new Library facility would have to be constructed. For the heart, the downtown would have to be developed. For the soul and spirit of the community, she emphasized that the young people of the community would need a Teen Center and a safe recreational facility to create unlimited opportunities through arts, sports and academics.

To the Council, Mayor Beals stated that it was time to go to work to rebuild regional

ties, reconnect the lines of communications with other cities and extend the hand of good business while encouraging jobs and development in the City. With the professionalism of an architect, a naval officer, two former educators and an attorney, along with the cultural diversity and three women, she stated there was nothing that the Council could not accomplish as a team producing positive impacts for years to come.

Mayor Beals offered each member of the Council a mini-shovel, a symbol of breaking new ground to the many exciting accomplishments that lay ahead. She was confident that this would be a year of getting things done to enhance the quality of life of City residents and to celebrate the commemoration of the City's past 100 years. She urged new beginnings and a lot of hard work and looked forward to serving the City as its first female African-American Mayor.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the City Council adjourned at 8:43 P.M. to the special meeting set for December 6, 2002 at 8:00 A.M. and to the next regular meeting on December 16, 2002 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian J. Pride, City Clerk

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CITY OF PITTSBURG
Pittsburg Power Company Minutes
December 2, 2002

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Beals-Rogers, Lewis, Quesada, Rios, Aiello

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director, Willis Casey
Assistant Executive Director, Nasser Shirazi
Legal Counsel, Linda Daube
Assistant Legal Counsel, Carol Victor
City Clerk, Lillian Pride
Director of the Redevelopment Agency, Garrett Evans
Director of Public Works, John Fuller
Director of Recreation, Paul Flores
Director of Planning and Building, Randy Jerome
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Executive Assistant to the City Manager, Alice Evenson

CITIZENS REMARKS

There were no citizen remarks for the Pittsburg Power Company.

MEMBERS REMARKS

There were no Member remarks for the Pittsburg Power Company.

CONSENT

On motion by Vice Chair Beals, seconded by Member Rios and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar, as follows:

a. **MINUTES** Dated: November 18, 2002

Approved Minutes dated November 18, 2002.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the Pittsburg Power Company in Joint Session with the Redevelopment Agency, City Council, Southwest Pittsburg Geologic Hazard Abatement District II and Public Financing Authority adjourned at 8:43 P.M. to the special meeting set for December 6, 2002 at 8:00 A.M. and to the next regular meeting on December 16, 2002 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian J. Pride, Secretary

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CITY OF PITTSBURG
Southwest Pittsburg Geologic Hazard
Abatement District II Minutes
December 2, 2002

Chair Frank Aiello called the meeting of the Southwest Pittsburg Geologic Hazard Abatement District II to order at 7:00 P.M. in Joint Session with the Redevelopment Agency, City Council, Pittsburg Power Company and Public Financing Authority in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburg, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beals-Rogers, Lewis, Quesada, Rios, Aiello

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director, Willis Casey
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Legal Counsel, Linda Daube
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CITIZENS REMARKS

There were no citizen remarks for the Southwest Pittsburg Geologic Hazard Abatement District II.

MEMBERS REMARKS

There were no Member remarks for the Southwest Pittsburg Geologic Hazard Abatement District II.

CONSENT

On motion by Vice Chair Beals, seconded by Member Rios and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar, as follows:

a. **MINUTES** Dated: November 18, 2002

Approved Minutes dated November 18, 2002.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the Southwest Pittsburg Geologic Hazard Abatement District II in Joint Session with the Redevelopment Agency, City Council, Pittsburg Power Company and Public Financing Authority adjourned at 8:43 P.M. to the special meeting set for December 6, 2002 at 8:00 A.M. and to the next regular meeting on December 16, 2002 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian J. Pride, Secretary

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CITY OF PITTSBURG
Public Financing Authority Minutes
December 2, 2002

Chair Frank Aiello called the meeting of the Public Financing Authority to order at 7:00 P.M. in Joint Session with the Redevelopment Agency, City Council, Pittsburg Power Company and Southwest Pittsburg Geologic Hazard Abatement District II in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburg, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beals-Rogers, Lewis, Quesada, Rios, Aiello

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

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CITIZENS REMARKS

There were no citizen remarks for the Public Financing Authority.

MEMBERS REMARKS

There were no Member remarks for the Public Financing Authority.

CONSENT

On motion by Vice Chair Beals, seconded by Member Rios and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar, as follows:

a. **MINUTES** Dated: November 18, 2002

Approved Minutes dated November 18, 2002.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the Public Financing Authority in Joint Session with the Redevelopment Agency, City Council, Pittsburg Power Company, and Southwest Pittsburg Geologic Hazard Abatement District II adjourned at 8:43 P.M. to the special meeting set for December 6, 2002 at 8:00 A.M. and to the next regular meeting on December 16, 2002 at 7:00 P.M.

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