

**ANTIOCH CITY COUNCIL  
ANTIOCH DEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY**

**Regular Meeting  
7:00 P.M.**

**February 11, 2003  
Council Chambers**

**5:00 P.M. – CLOSED SESSION**

1. Public Employment (City Manager). This closed session is authorized by Government Code §54957.
2. Conference with Legal Counsel; anticipated litigation. The Council is determining whether to initiate litigation (one case). This closed session is authorized by Government Code §54956.9.

Mayor Freitas called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M., and City Clerk Martin called the roll.

Present: Council Members Kalinowski, Davis, Conley, Simonsen and Mayor Freitas.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro Tem Davis led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Freitas reported no action was taken during closed session.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CIVIC AND COMMUNITY EVENTS**

Barbara Sobalvarro, President of the Friends of Animal Services, announced the Valentine Celebration Event to take place on February 13, 2003 from 6:00–8:00 P.M. at the Antioch Animal Shelter adoption event, Friends of Animal Services will pay both the adoption fee and the micro-chip fee (\$30) for the first 14 animals adopted. She further announced love gifts of \$14.00 would be listed in spring paw print as “Sweethearts”. She concluded by stating this was the 24th year of Friends of Animal Services; she thanked the Animal Services staff and praised their efforts to improve the plight of the animals.

**PROCLAMATIONS**

Professional Life and Business Coaching Week, February 2 – 8, 2003  
Recognition of Roger Henry, Antioch Citizen of the Year

On motion by Councilmember Conley, seconded by Councilmember Davis, the Council unanimously approved the proclamations.

Councilmember Davis presented the proclamation proclaiming February 2-8, 2003 as Professional Life and Business Coaching Week to Kate Arendt who accepted the proclamation and discussed the importance of coaching to the success of individuals and

businesses. She provided a website and contact number for anyone wishing to receive additional information.

Councilmember Conley presented the proclamation recognizing Roger Henry Jr. as Antioch Citizen of the Year who accepted the proclamation and thanked the Contra Costa Times, Antioch Chamber of Commerce and Delta 2000. He recognized nominees Terry Ramus, Robert Kilbourne, and Jody and Smokey Jones for their contributions to the community. He thanked the City Council for the proclamation.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Earl Christy, Antioch resident, spoke in support of the City of Antioch having a full time Mayor and discussed the advantage of a full time Mayor being able to represent Antioch in Sacramento and Washington D.C.

Elvin Scott announced the Pension and Benefit Seminar on February 28, 2003 at 7:30 P.M. at the Antioch Senior Center. He stated the seminar would be televised and he had been invited to go to San Francisco to choose a timeslot for a weekly show. He reported he had resubmitted his application for federal non-profit status and thanked the City of Antioch for their support.

Patricia Putnum representing the Antioch Arts and Cultural Foundation gave a brief update on the Rivertown Arts Center. She announced beginning April 1, 2003 they would be offering classes and invited the community to visit the center.

Mayor Freitas announced he had attended the Contra Costa County Mayor's conference where the American Lung Association had given a Platinum Lung Award to the City of Antioch in recognition of the City's efforts to create smoke free work environments for its residents.

### **1. COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES FOR JANUARY 28, 2003 #301-02**

**B. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL WARRANTS #401-02**

**C. REJECTION OF CLAIMS #704-07**

**1. Claim of Sharon Castellano, #02/03-1356**

**2. Claim of Diane Burke, #02/03-1355**

**D. LEGISLATION AND ADVOCACY #701-04**

**E. RESOLUTION NO. 2003/24 APPROVING RELOCATION IMPACT STUDY AND**

**LAST RESORT HOUSING PLAN FOR "L" STREET WIDENING PROJECT**

**#1001-03**

**F. ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 9-5.601 OF THE ANTIOCH MUNICIPAL CODE, DEALING WITH HEIGHT LIMITS IN COMMERCIAL ZONES (Introduced) #701-05**

On motion by Councilmember Kalinowski, seconded by Councilmember Conley, the Council unanimously approved the Council Consent Calendar with the exception of item E, which was removed for further discussion.

*Item E* - Bruce Ohlson, representing the East Bay Bicycle Coalition, discussed the importance of bicycle lanes to the quality of life in Antioch and requested the City Council direct staff to include bicycle lanes for both sides of the "L" Street widening project.

In response to Councilmember Conley, City Attorney Galstan stated some of the tenants on "L" Street had been relocated into the Eden Housing project. Councilmember Conley discussed the possibility of raising the houses when they were vacated. City Attorney Galstan stated cost of demolition in piecemeal as well as the impact on the neighborhood of having areas that were not developed were issues to be considered. Councilmember Conley voiced his support to providing advisory services to all non-English speaking households.

On motion by Councilmember Conley, seconded by Councilmember Simonsen, the Council unanimously approved Item E.

**COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA**

**2. APPROVE 3-YEAR PARK MAINTENANCE SERVICE CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH PACHECO BROTHERS GARDENING, INC. #1402-03**

Director of Public Works Harrington presented the staff report dated January 23, 2003, recommending the City Council approve Pacheco Brothers Gardening, Inc. request for a three-year contract extension to their existing Park Maintenance Service Contract, Bid Reference Number 988-0106-98F, including additional maintenance and landscape service proposal.

On motion by Councilmember Kalinowski, seconded by Councilmember Davis the Council unanimously approved the contract extension with approval for the bathroom maintenance up keep 7 days a week including holidays; increase \$3,800.00 per month in addition to present price and once a year baseball little league field – 75 yards; \$4,500.00 for this service including labor and material.

**3. CITY OF ANTIOCH - AUDITING SERVICES - MACIAS, GINI AND COMPANY, LLP #402-02**

Finance Director Tasker presented the staff report dated February 4, 2003 recommending the City Council authorize City's Finance Director to sign the engagement letters for auditing services with Macias, Gini & Company for fiscal years ending June 30, 2003 and 2004 for the following: 1) City Council; 2) Antioch Public Financing, and; 3) Antioch Development Agency.

Mayor Freitas stated he believed after 5 years the auditor should be changed or the City should go out for a competitive process and interview, noting they had served the community well to compare and contrast the current firm with others.

On motion by Councilmember Conley, seconded by Councilmember Simonsen, the Council authorized the City's Finance Director to sign the engagement letters for auditing services with Macias, Gini and Company for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2003 and 2004. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Kalinowski, Davis, Conley, Simonsen

Noes: Freitas

Mayor Freitas adjourned to the Antioch Development Agency with all Agencymembers present.

#### **AGENCY REGULAR AGENDA**

##### **4. ANTIOCH DEVELOPMENT AGENCY - AUDITING SERVICES - MACIAS, GINI AND COMPANY, LLP #402-02**

On motion by Agencymember Conley, seconded by Agencymember Simonsen, the Agency authorized the City's Finance Director to sign the engagement letters for auditing services with Macias, Gini and Company for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2003 and 2004. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Kalinowski, Davis, Conley, Simonsen

Noes: Freitas

Chairperson Freitas adjourned to the Public Financing Authority with all Public Financing Authority members present.

#### **PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY REGULAR AGENDA**

##### **5. ANTIOCH PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY - AUDITING SERVICES - MACIAS, GINI AND COMPANY, LLP #402-02**

On motion by Public Financing Authority member Conley, seconded by Public Financing Authority member Simonsen, the Public Financing Authority authorized the City's Finance Director to sign the engagement letters for auditing services with Macias, Gini and

Company for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2003 and 2004. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Kalinowski, Davis, Conley, Simonsen

Noes: Freitas

Public Financing Authority Chairperson Freitas adjourned to the City Council with all Councilmembers present.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

Councilmember Davis reported on behalf of the City Council he had attended the Knights of Columbus recognition of police officer of the year Jimmy Wisecarver Jr. and firefighter of the year Mike Empistato, as well as the anniversary of the Black Political Association at Humphrey's on the Delta.

Mayor Freitas thanked Councilmembers Kalinowski, Simonsen and Conley for attending the Knight's of Columbus event.

Councilmember Simonsen reported he had attended the Philippino American Society of Saint Ignatius.

Mayor Freitas reported he attended the Annual Blue and Gold Dinner Bridging Up Ceremony.

Councilmember Conley reported he had attended the Safety Fair County East Mall and noted the public attendance was wonderful.

Mayor Freitas added the Safety Fair was an outstanding event and thanked Lonnie Karste and Bart Sandborne for their participation.

Councilmember Conley reported he attended the VIP graduation, noting they had saved the City over \$167,000 in labor costs.

**STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Freitas reported it was Acting City Manager Pappas Diaz birthday and she would be attending the League of California Cities Manager Program in Los Angeles.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Mayor Freitas adjourned the meeting at 8:02 P.M. to the next regular Council meeting on February 25, 2003.

Respectfully submitted

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L. JOLENE MARTIN, City Clerk

Approved:

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DONALD P. FREITAS, Mayor

Attest:

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