



Minutes of the Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of San Pablo

FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2014

ROLL CALL

The special meeting convened at 5:00 pm in the Council Chambers. Present were Mayor Paul Morris, Vice Mayor Kathy Chao Rothberg and Councilmembers Rich Kinney, Cecilia Valdez and Genoveva Calloway. Also present were City Manager Matt Rodriguez, City Attorney Brian Libow and Deputy City Clerk Lehny Corbin.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

There were no public speakers.

RESOLUTIONS

1. City Manager Rodriguez made a PowerPoint presentation that provided information regarding the grant program timeline, criteria, process of review and action for funding. The Council would first determine whether to grant the appeals of three organizations who had not been recommended for funding by the subcommittee. The City Manager and City Attorney explained that granting the appeal would not mean that the organization would automatically be funded. Rather, such organization would only be placed on the list of eligible organizations to be considered with the other organizations in Group B. City Attorney Libow also explained that Councilmember Calloway, due to her position as an unpaid Board member of the Weigh of Life organization, would have to abstain from the decision on that organization (Group A) prior to consideration of the other organizations. While Councilmember Calloway did not have a financial conflict of interest under FPPC regulations and the Political Reform Act, she did have an interest in the grant in other than her official capacity, and thus would have to abstain pursuant to Government Code section 1090.

The following made their appeals for reconsideration: Robert Firmin on behalf of Firmin Studios and Andre Williams on behalf of San Pablo Cowboys Youth Association. There was no representative who spoke on behalf of Youth Spirit Artworks.

Mr. Firmin described his proposed project and responded to questions raised by the Mayor and City Council. It was moved by Councilmember Calloway, seconded by Councilmember Valdez, and passed by vote to deny funding (technically to deny the appeal) of Firmin Studios. The motion passed as follows:

AYES: Calloway, Valdez, Chao Rothberg and Morris
NOES: Kinney
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mr. Williams described his proposed project and responded to questions raised by the Mayor and City Council. Council suggested contacting other agencies for other grants. It was moved by Councilmember Calloway, seconded by Councilmember Valdez, and passed by vote to deny funding (deny the appeal) of San Pablo Cowboys Youth

Association. The motion passed as follows:
AYES: Calloway, Valdez, Chao Rothberg and Morris
NOES: Kinney
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

There was no representation was made on behalf of Youth Spirit Artworks. It was moved by Councilmember Calloway, seconded by Councilmember Valdez, and passed by vote to deny funding (deny the appeal) of Youth Spirit Artworks. The motion passed as follows:

AYES: Calloway, Valdez, Chao Rothberg and Morris
NOES: Kinney
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Councilmember Calloway abstained from participating in the following agenda item due to her position as unpaid Board member in the non-profit organization Weigh of Life. It was moved by Vice Mayor Chao Rothberg, seconded by Councilmember Valdez, and passed by vote of those present to adopt **Resolution 2014-097**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of San Pablo approving FY 2014-15 Final Grant Awards for the Annual San Pablo Community Foundation Grant Program – (Group A). The motion passed as follows:

AYES: Valdez, Chao Rothberg and Morris
NOES: Kinney
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Calloway

It was moved by Councilmember Calloway, seconded by Vice Mayor Chao Rothberg, and passed by vote of those present to adopt **Resolution 2014-098**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of San Pablo approving FY 2014-15 Final Grant Awards for the Annual San Pablo Community Foundation Grant Program – (Group B). The motion passed as follows:

AYES: Calloway, Valdez, Chao Rothberg and Morris
NOES: Kinney
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lehny M. Corbin, City Clerk

Paul V. Morris, Mayor