SPECIAL MEETING
Atascadero City Council

Tuesday, May 11, 2010
6:00 P.M.

City Hall – Council Chambers
Atascadero, California

DRAFT MINUTES

Mayor Fonzi called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members Clay, O’Malley, Kelley, Béraud and Mayor Fonzi
Absent: None
Others Present: City Clerk / Assistant to City Manager Marcia McClure Torgerson
Staff Present: City Manager Wade McKinney, Assistant City Manager Jim Lewis, Administrative Services Director Rachelle Rickard, Community Development Director Warren Frace, Public Works Director Russ Thompson, Community Services Director Brady Cherry, Police Chief Jim Mulhall, Fire Chief Kurt Stone, and City Attorney Brian Pierik.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS:
1. **Reconsideration of Item #C-2 on the April 27, 2010 City Council agenda concerning Request for Participation in Grant Application: “Small Cities of San Luis Obispo County Climate Action Plan” – Sustainable Planning Grant and Incentives Program (Council Member Tom O’Malley)**

Council Member O’Malley explained why he wants the Council to reconsider this issue.

**MOTION:** By Mayor Pro Tem O’Malley and seconded by Mayor Fonzi to reconsider Item #C-2 on the April 27, 2010 City Council agenda concerning Request for Participation in Grant Application: “Small Cities of San Luis Obispo County Climate Action Plan” – Sustainable Planning Grant and Incentives Program. 

Motion passed 4:0 by a roll-call vote. (Clay abstained)

2. **Request for Participation in Grant Application: “Small Cities of San Luis Obispo County Climate Action Plan” - Sustainable Planning Grant and Incentives Program**

   - **Fiscal Impact:**
     - **Short Term:** No monetary match is required to qualify for these grants. The Small Cities Climate Action Plan grant application would be prepared by a consultant funded through the SLO County Air Pollution Control District, with collaboration between other municipal agencies. If the grant is funded, City staff time would be needed for public outreach and coordination during the Climate Action Planning process.
     - **Long Term:** A Climate Action Plan will commit the City and its citizens to make a number of significant changes from our current way of life. The fiscal cost of these changes is not known, but is likely significant.

   - **Recommendation:** Council adopt Draft Resolution A, to authorize participation in the Sustainable Planning and Incentives Program Grant application for grant funding of the “Small Cities of San Luis Obispo County Climate Action Plan.” [Community Development]

Council Member O’Malley shared his reasons for wanting the Council to approve this Resolution.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Susan DeCarli expressed her support of staff’s recommendation to authorize participation in this grant application.

Marty Brown urged the Council to adopt the resolution authorizing the City to apply for this grant funding. (Exhibit A)
Ray Weymann stated his support of this grant funding and urged the Council to approve the participation in this grant funding in a prepared statement. (Exhibit B)

Joanne Main thanked the Council for reconsidering this issue. She stated that she supports staffs’ recommendation.

Angelique McQuity, High School teacher at Atascadero High School, brought some of her students with her tonight because they were concerned with the Council’s original decision on this issue. She asked the Council to re-consider their position and be leaders to these students. She submitted a petition that was circulated at the High School today. (Exhibit C)

Fred Frank stated that it will be economically prudent to approve this Resolution that will authorize participation in this grant.

Lee Perkins reminded the Council of the language in the General Plan that encourages participation in the Small Cities of SLO County Climate Action Plan.

Joan O’Keefe reminded the Council of how in the past the community had difficulty in accepting change when mandatory garbage pickup and recycling began. However, Atascadero was ahead of most of the other cities in the County and we now have an excellent program.

Len Colamarino stated he is surprised that the Council did not approve this item at the last meeting. He urged the Council to approve participation in this grant.

Cindy Sasur asked the Council to approve participation in this grant.

Warren J. Sarvis, III, thanked the Council for reconsidering this issue.

David Broadwater thanked the High School members for getting involved in this issue. He expressed his support of the City participating in this grant program.

Mayor Fonzi closed the Public Comment period.

Council Member Clay expressed that he cannot support this Resolution.

Council Member Kelley stated he will probably vote for this Resolution, but that he has strong concerns.

MOTION: By Mayor Pro Tem O’Malley and seconded by Council Member Béraud to adopt Draft Resolution A, to authorize participation in the Sustainable Planning and Incentives Program Grant application for grant funding of the “Small Cities of San Luis
Obispo County Climate Action Plan,” including the amendments suggested by the City Attorney and Council Member O’Malley. Motion passed 4:1 by a roll-call vote. (Béraud opposed) (Resolution No. 2010-037)

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Fonzi adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

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City Clerk / Assistant to the City Manager

The following exhibits are available for review in the City Clerk’s office:

Exhibit A – Letter from Marty Brown
Exhibit B – Statement from Ray Weymann
Exhibit C – Petition from Atascadero High School