ANDERSON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting January 4, 2011

REGULAR SESSION - 7:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCMENT

Mayor Comnick announced that the previously scheduled Closed Session was cancelled. A notice cancelling the Closed Session was distributed on January 3, 2011.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Councilmember Yarbrough

Councilmember Schaefer Councilmember Webster

Vice-Mayor Hunt Mayor Comnick

Councilmembers absent: None.

Also present: City Manager Dana Shigley, City Attorney Michael Fitzpatrick, and City

Clerk Juanita Barnett.

INVOCATION

Elder Brad Manley, Anderson Cottonwood Neighborhood Church, gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Day led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION

Michele Erickson, Deputy Director, Shasta County Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council, introduced the new Teen Center Coordinator Cody Goddard and staff members Delaney Andersson and Diana Navarro. Cody Goddard and each staff member gave a brief overview of their responsibilities at the Teen Center.

PRESENTATION

Shasta County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) Board Member Brad Frost introduced new EDC President Mark Lascelles who gave a PowerPoint presentation providing an overview of the EDC's role and responsibility and updating the Council on EDC activities.

SCHEDULED CITIZEN REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL – None.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA - None.

STUDENT REPORTS – None.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmembers used this time to report on community activities they participated in and to announce upcoming events.

CONSENT AGENDA

By motion made, seconded (Yarbrough/Hunt), and carried, the Council took the following actions:

Approved the minutes of the regular meeting of December 21, 2010.

Received and filed warrant 118232 to 118293 in the amount of \$181,352.25; warrant 118294 to 118325 in the amount of \$99,154.92; an ACH in the amount of \$2,262.40; and a Wire Transfer in amount of \$67.00.

Adopted Resolution No. 11-01 establishing Council Meeting dates for 2011.

Waived reading, except by title, of any ordinances under consideration at this meeting for either introduction or passage per Government Code Section 36934.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR - None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ALL LEGAL NOTICES WERE GIVEN ACCORDING TO LAW.

PUBLIC HEARING - REGULATION CONCERNING THE CULTIVATION OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA;
ORDINANCE NO. 765,
RESOLUTION NO. 11-02

City Manager Dana Shigley gave a staff report and answered questions from the Council.

7:22 p.m.: The Public Hearing was opened.

A comment submitted via telephone by Pastor Al Rountree of Valley Christian Center was read into the record by Mayor Comnick stating that Pastor Rountree supports the proposed ordinance regulating the cultivation of medical marijuana.

Anderson Union High School District Superintendent Tim Azevedo stated that while he would prefer a complete ban on marijuana in Anderson, he will support an ordinance regulating it. He further requested the Council consider stiffer penalties and establishing a wider no grow zone around schools.

Cascade Union Elementary School District Superintendent Mike Michelon stated that he agreed with Mr. Azevedo, expressed his belief that the community is collectively responsible for the children, encouraged the Council to consider the results of allowing increased exposure to any drugs on the children of the community, and introduced Anderson Middle School Assistant Principal Karin Cox.

Anderson Middle School Assistant Principal Karin Cox gave the Council some statistics on the effect medical marijuana is having on the middle school and reported that they are seeing an increase in the number of students coming to school smelling like marijuana. Ms. Cox stated that she believes this is a direct result of parents smoking medical marijuana around their children.

Stan Neutze, a member of the Anderson community for 33 years, stated that he supports the proposed ordinance but feels that a 100 foot no grow zone around schools and hospitals is too small and should be increased to the maximum allowed by law. Mr. Neutze further encouraged the community to seek an amendment to Proposition 215.

Keith Webster stated that he is in support of the proposed ordinance to regulate medical marijuana cultivation and believes it is a first step toward protecting the community.

Matt Arnerich expressed his opposition to the proposed ordinance.

Rod Jones requested copies of data supporting the proposed ordinance, expressed his opposition to any regulations on medical marijuana, stating that to do so would be illegal, and warned the Council that they could be sued for conspiracy.

Richard Urban stated that the Health and Safety Code allows a 600 foot radius for collectives and 1000 foot no smoking outside zone for schools and youth centers, and requested the Council make a wider zone for not cultivating marijuana near schools.

Karen Edwards, a family nurse practitioner stated that she is opposed to this ordinance and feels it will prevent people who need marijuana as a medicine from being able to obtain it.

Shannon Westmorland, Anderson High School Student Body President, expressed her appreciation to the Council for trying to restrict the cultivation of medical marijuana and asked that the ordinance include stricter guidelines and fines.

Michael Cole expressed his opposition to the proposed ordinance.

Amy Hawkins expressed her support for the ordinance.

Melissa Hutchins expressed her support for the ordinance and requested Council consider increasing the distance from schools.

8:33 p.m.: No further comments were made and the Public Hearing was closed.

By motion made, seconded (Yarbrough/Hunt), and carried, the Council introduced Ordinance 765 adding Section 17.65, Medical Marijuana Cultivation, to the Anderson Municipal Code and directed staff to place the ordinance on the January 18, 2011 Council Agenda for enactment (second reading).

By motion made, seconded (Hunt/Yarbrough), and carried the Council adopted Resolution No. 11-02 designating the Code Enforcement Officer.

8:50 p.m.: <u>The City Council recessed and the Anderson Redevelopment Agency convened.</u>

ANDERSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

ROLL CALL: Director Day

Director Yarbrough Director Hopkins Director Hunt Chairman Comnick

MINUTES

By motion made, seconded (Yarbrough/Hunt), and carried, the Agency approved the minutes of the Agency meeting of September 7, 2010.

ANDERSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ANNUAL STATE REPORTS AND 2009-2010 COMPONENT UNIT FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Office Manager Liz Cottrell gave a staff report and answered questions from the Agency Board.

By motion made, seconded (Hunt/Yarbrough), and carried, the Agency accepted the Anderson Redevelopment Agency Annual Reports and Component Unit Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2010.

8:56 p.m.: The Anderson Redevelopment Agency adjourned and the Anderson City Council continued.

REGULAR AGENDA - None.

ADJOURNMENT

8:56 p.m.: The City Council adjourned to January 18, 2011.

Norma Commick, Mayor

ATTEST:

Juanita Barnett, City Clerk