

CITY OF HIDDEN HILLS  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Hall

Monday, July 9, 2007

***MINUTES***

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Hidden Hills was duly held in the Council Chambers at the City Hall, 6165 Spring Valley Road, Hidden Hills, California 91302 on Monday, July 9, 2007 at the hour of 7:33 p.m. Mayor Stuart Siegel called the meeting to order and presided thereover after leading the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Council:

Mayor Stuart E. Siegel  
Mayor Pro Tem Monty E. Fisher  
Council Member Jim Cohen  
Council Member Steve Freedland  
Council Member Larry G. Weber

Staff:

City Engineer Dirk Lovett  
City Manager Cherie L. Paglia

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Upon MOTION of Council Member Freedland, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fisher and unanimously carried, it was resolved that the agenda for the July 9, 2007 regular meeting be approved as submitted.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Siegel made the following announcement:

If you know of anyone in the community or have anyone in your household with special needs, encourage them to complete the City's form entitled "Voluntary Special Needs Registry"; this is a program through the City's emergency services; in the event of an emergency, the City, if able, would use the data of those signed up for the program to provide important announcements and check on their well being; if residents do not sign up for this voluntary program, the City will not know where they are and what their needs might be.

## **AUDIENCE**

There were no questions or comments at this time.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **A. City Certificates/2007 Academic Achievement Recipients**

Mayor Siegel congratulated and presented a City certificate to Round Meadow Elementary School student Emma Spellman for earning the Presidential Academic Award.

### **B. Consideration of Approval of 2007 Fiesta Budget**

This item was addressed later during the meeting once Fiesta Co-Chairman Lisa Moriarity arrived.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

### **A. Coyote Trapping Program - Update**

Mayor Siegel stated the following:

Several coyote incidents were reported last week; trapping was to begin again today, but Mr. Rizzo (the trapper) was ill, delaying the start until sometime later this week; the trapping locations will be based on the complaints received; in attendance to answer questions this evening is Margaret Townsend, a Consulting Urban Wildlife Biologist working for and with the trapping company hired by the City; the City has conducted five trapping programs over the last several years; this time the problem seems to be a little more complicated; the purpose of the trapping programs is not to eradicate or eliminate

all the coyotes, which is impossible and perhaps not even legal; the goal is to remove those coyotes exhibiting aggressive behavior; the most concern is for aggressive behavior toward humans; if a coyote attacks a dog, especially if the dog is out of the yard, that is not aggressive behavior; that is what coyotes do as that dog is a food source; there will always be coyotes in Hidden Hills; the Conservancy does nothing to discourage coyotes on Ahmanson Ranch (abutting Hidden Hills), and in fact, he has recently noticed that water is being provided for the animals; what the City is trying to do is gather reports of aggressive behavior incidents, and then go to the licensed professionals to remove the aggressive coyotes; since the City received additional aggressive behavior reports after the initial two week trapping period ended, the trapping will begin again this week; to explain one more time, in spite of the perception, seeing coyotes walking on the street or in the yard is not aggressive; the coyotes are here to stay; there is water here (and it is especially dry right now), a lot of fruit, which is one of the primary food sources for coyotes, pet food, and unfortunately, cats and dogs, which are easier to catch than rabbits.

Mayor Siegel then introduced Ms. Townsend and asked her numerous questions, to which she responded as follows:

She is a Consulting Biologist for Animal Pest Management; she does not set traps but is trained by Fish & Game under the wildlife handling restraint course; she does know how to catch and euthanize on site, which she did a few weeks ago in Hidden Hills when the trapper was not available and the City did not wish to leave the coyote in the trap for a long period of time; Fish & Game would not allow all coyotes to be removed, as a community needs to watch for a balance of all life, human and animal; the Mayor has said that the rabbit population has decreased, which is partly due to the coyotes and partly cyclical; if you get rid of one problem, it usually causes another problem; this latest trapping program was successful, with five adult coyotes being removed; when one aggressive coyote disappears, it is a pack behavior, with any other aggressive coyotes stepping up, which may take awhile.

Mayor Siegel did not mean to imply that the recent program was unsuccessful, but he was disappointed that even after removing five coyotes, the City was already receiving more reports of aggressive behavior, even though one of those attacks was of a dog outside of a yard; in the past, once the initial trapping occurred, no additional trapping was usually necessary. Ms. Townsend added the following comments:

Cats or dogs off of a leash or on a trail with no adults around are much easier for coyotes to attack than rabbits or squirrels; pets learn to trust coyotes, as they think a coyote is another dog; coyotes will take what is the easiest and expend as little energy as possible; sometimes coyotes run in packs, but there is still a pecking order; in relation to the

biology of coyotes, it takes three years for coyotes to train their young not to fear man; so you could have three generations of bold coyotes; if you do a trapping program, it does minimize, but not eliminate, that type of behavior; it would be a disservice to the community to eliminate all the coyotes, even if it were possible, which it is not, living near Conservancy property; she lives in Tustin, which is very urban, and they have coyotes there; coyotes are very opportunistic, and it does not take much for them to live.

Mayor Siegel reported that he is aware of another area City that now has an animal rights activist attending meetings and threatening the City due to trapping, and he is concerned that if this City presses beyond what the professionals are recommending, there will be a backlash that could prevent any coyote trapping here. Ms. Townsend confirmed a similar situation in another city that trapped rabbits – some people fought the trapping, resulting in a suspension of any trapping for several years; cities do need to follow Fish & Game regulations (she provided an article from Kevin Brennan, a Fish & Game biologist).

Mayor Siegel provided the following information:

Trapping will begin again this week in the City, probably in the vicinity of Long Valley Road, as that is where the most recent aggressive behavior reports came from; he has contacted some of these people; often it is only one coyote causing the problems; the City will continue trapping until there are no more reports of attacks on pets or aggressive behavior; that is where the line is; the City needs to manage expectations and find what is realistic in dealing with the coyotes; the trapper has been hired, and they will get rid of the aggressive coyotes; this City has taken a very aggressive stance against coyotes, more aggressive than any other area cities, which normally do not trap (this was confirmed by Ms. Townsend).

Mayor Siegel invited anyone in the audience to speak or ask questions. Angie Harmon stated the following:

She did not know what to do with coyotes that got in her yard; their dog was attacked in the yard, and she has two children smaller than the dog; the coyote did jump over a 6' chain link fence; she did not know to whom or what to report; before they used to be able to open the door in the morning and the children could go outside; now they are afraid about going outside in the back yard; and rather than waiting until something happens, she would consider the attacks on the dogs aggressive behavior that should result in something being done; however, she is not asking for the eradication of the coyotes.

Ms. Townsend provided the following information:

Coyotes can easily jump 6' fences; if smaller dogs are left unattended, this is the easy bait that coyotes are looking for; coyotes are usually nocturnal, but this means early morning and early evening, when residents should be the most careful and bring dogs in; any aggressive behavior or attacks should be reported to City Hall; that information is added to the complaint log, which is shared with the trapper; once that information is received, the trapper looks for the best place to set the snare traps, which are very humane; the traps are checked daily, and if a coyote is caught, it is euthanized on the spot and removed; the more they hear about attacks or cases where coyotes stare and size someone up, this helps them determine which coyotes are aggressive and where the traps need to be set; however, just seeing coyotes, or having them keep going when you see them, is not aggressive.

Mayor Siegel added the following:

If a dog is attacked in its own yard, the City will do something; but he is more focused on aggressive behavior towards humans, just like Ms. Harmon is more concerned for her children; several years ago a resident had a coyote banging against the sliding glass door to try to reach the dog inside when the resident was standing right there; that is more aggressive than a dog getting attacked in a back yard, which is more normal, as that dog represents food to the coyote; however, since several dogs have been attacked and those attacks have been reported, this is aggressive behavior to which the City is responding; traps will be set again this week; the traps are placed on private property, as they cannot be placed in public areas; the City is not done and continues to pursue the aggressive coyotes; the City is doing what it has done over the past several years; there were no reports of aggressive behavior for probably 1½ years, and once the City became aware of aggressive behavior, the trapper was hired; the Council does all of this in public and that is why residents are invited to come to the meetings and express their concerns; residents should not have to be afraid, and there should not be aggressive coyotes, but there are; the City is doing what it can; these people that are hired to trap are sophisticated, trained professionals that do a good job; the trapping will continue until there is no longer an aggressive coyote problem; but he would not, as a parent, leave a child unattended in the yard; and as a reminder, if any residents have further concerns, those residents can at any time personally hire the trapper individually to come onto their properties to trap coyotes; as a government agency, the City just has to be careful so as not to lose the ability to trap when necessary.

In response to Ms. Harmon, Ms. Townsend said she felt what the City was doing at this time was the most effective, and that Fish & Game would not approve of coyotes being trapped just because of sightings. Ms. Townsend also mentioned roll bars that can be placed on the top of

fences that may prevent coyotes from being able to jump over the fence, but the fences would need to be higher (which may not be allowed per City or HHCA codes) and cover a large area, so it may not be practical in this City.

Tracy Cassidy addressed the Council at this time:

She is very happy that the trappers have returned; the day the trappers left the City, she talked to Dan Fox and expressed her concerns that the job was not done effectively during the original two weeks; traps were pulled from her property when she was told that a large coyote was still there; one of the residents (Stanford) called in to the City to report coyotes staring at people in her yard, and no one responded to her; going forward, she wondered how the City was going to stay on top of this, and how the trappers would be held accountable; Mr. Fox told her 4-6 coyotes would be removed, but where does that number come from; what is the target number, what is it based on, and who decides on that number; another trapper told her he would have removed closer to 18 coyotes based on the existing complaint log; coyotes were only removed from two areas, and there were lots of people on the complaint list that were not contacted.

Mayor Siegel responded as follows:

Most of the calls on the complaint log are just coyote sightings; the City constantly monitors the complaints; there is no specific number, but rather a guarantee to remove the aggressive coyotes and stop aggressive behavior; he does not believe the other trapper referred to ever removed more than a similar number; the number of coyotes removed is based on the experience of the trappers and what has occurred the last several years; before, when coyotes were removed, the complaint calls stopped; when the aggressive behavior started again, maybe a year or so later, the trappers were again called; that is also when the City notifies the residents so they can be more watchful and be reminded to report incidents; all residents should make sure the City has their email address or fax number so they can receive these notifications; as he said, all the calls are constantly monitored, and when there are aggressive incidents reported, the trappers come in, review the complaint log, a price is negotiated, and the trapping begins with the six month guarantee.

Ms. Townsend added the following comments:

The trapping program actually extended over three weeks; the trapper will not knock on everyone's door; coyotes have a range, and the trapper looks for signs to see where the most opportune place is to set the traps to catch the aggressive coyotes; the trapper does not run around the entire neighborhood, which could cause undo concern for many residents; that is why it is very important for residents to give as much information as

possible regarding the behavior of the coyotes; the last trapping program was done in 2005, and it took since then for those less dominant coyotes to become more bold, which is why the program works.

Ms. Cassidy thought the City should do what some other cities do and take the advice of both trappers who told her that trapping should be done on an annual basis, in February before the females drop their pups, as an ongoing maintenance program to stay ahead. Mayor Siegel asked why and how that should be done if the City was not receiving aggressive complaint calls. Ms. Townsend agreed, stating that would mean the City was removing coyotes that were not dominate or aggressive, and that were just living the way they were supposed to. She also thought many people purchased homes in this community because they liked the rural atmosphere, and if too many coyotes were removed, it could cause other problems.

Ms. Cassidy expressed concern about the three remaining pups (the mother was trapped) that were being trained to eat on her property. Ms. Townsend explained the following:

50% of pups do not last to the next year, especially when the mother has been removed; the pups will not take over – it is the adults that are of concern; it is a huge balancing act with nature and wildlife; she would not support removing coyotes just to remove them without reports of aggressive behavior, but that is up to the City; Fish & Game wants to see a reason for the removal of coyotes, and if there is no aggressive behavior, on what basis are the coyotes being removed, and how would that be explained to an environmentalist; that is why it is very important for the City to receive calls with great detail to help the trappers; Mr. Rizzo is the expert trapper, and he decides where to set the traps based on the complaint calls.

Mayor Siegel reminded everyone that the most recent aggressive behavior reports were along Long Valley. In response to Mayor Siegel, the City Manager confirmed that the trapper was gone for three days, and then reset the traps from June 14-17, removing then on June 18<sup>th</sup> (the last day of the initial trapping was originally scheduled for 6/8), after catching the adult coyote that he had targeted.

Shaun Cassidy then addressed the Council:

He considers himself an environmentalist and supports living with wildlife; he does believe the current coyote behavior is not normal and due to the drought; but he would like to know if a child were to be attacked, how the policy would change, if it indeed would, and how this meeting would then be different; everyone remembers the young woman who was being stalked, and nothing was done until she was killed, and then the law was changed when it was too late; he does not have the answers, but wondered if the City should be waiting until something happens.

Mayor Siegel stated that the trappers could only go where there were reports of problems, or the City would be removing coyotes arbitrarily. Ms. Townsend added that Fish & Game waits for an attack before responding, and the same thing is done with mountain lions; they are the keeper of wildlife and cannot just remove animals at will.

Council Member Freedland added his comments:

At a recent meeting he publicly asked both trappers if they would leave a small child unattended in the yard at any time; both of the trappers said they would not; if the trappers would not leave a child unattended, no one else should; parents need to be prudent with their children; there is no way to assure that a child will never be attacked unless all the coyotes are eradicated, and both the trappers and the biologist say it is impossible to do that.

Both Mayor Siegel and Council Member Freedland agreed with Mr. Cassidy that there is a problem and that the situation has become extreme, which is why the trappers have been brought in to trap. Ms. Townsend pointed out that after the initial trapping, there was a short lag, and now they are back due to the additional complaint calls. She added that she would not leave a two-year old alone in the yard.

Mr. Cassidy asked about the chain of command and who defines what aggressive behavior is. Both Mayor Siegel and Council Member Freedland answered that any coyotes not showing a fear of man, or not running away when confronted with noise, would be considered aggressive. Mayor Siegel commented further:



He walks on the Ahmanson Ranch, and rarely sees any coyotes; they might see a few around 5:30 p.m., but if the coyotes see them, the coyotes run away, which is normal; upon hearing about the new reports of aggressive behavior, he was immediately in touch with staff to make sure that the information was being shared with the trappers, that someone would attend the Council meeting, and that the Council could continue to address the matter; but again, the City needs to be careful not to lose the ability to trap when necessary; this City is taking extraordinary measures and is the most aggressive of any of the surrounding communities with coyote trapping; in keying off of what Ms. Cassidy stated earlier, on an annual basis, probably in January (unless in working with the trappers another time is recommended), the City, to be more proactive, will send out an email/fax notification to get residents to become more sensitized to the coyote issue and to encourage reporting.

Mayor Pro Tem Fisher stated the following:

It may not only be the coyotes doing the attacking; there have been bobcats and mountain lions in the City in the past, and due to the drought, they may be coming in and out; he is not trying to scare anyone, but living here is like living in the country, and all residents need to pay attention to their children.

Paul Bryson expressed his thoughts:

He is a forty-three year resident; it is true that the City has a more aggressive trapping program than other cities, but this is the only significant livestock area, so the more aggressive program is needed to fit the community; when coyotes go from being totally fearful of man, to sort of fearful, to brazen, and then to attacks, this is very progressive; he would like to know who is responsible for the safety of residents facing a community-wide danger; he has been a licensed hunter in the past, and he knows that hunting and trapping coyotes is legal all year with no limits on the number.

Ms. Townsend stated that they are not hunters, but depredation. Mayor Siegel then added his responses to Mr. Bryson:

It is a different world today than it was years ago; people are always responsible for themselves and their families; he personally would hire the trapper to trap any coyote that came on his property; as a public agency the City is trying to do what it feels is right and the most that can be done without being forced to stop any trapping; the City does have a duty regarding public safety, but how far does that public safety extend when the City is right next to thousands of acres of open space, when there is wildlife in the area, when there is livestock, and when there are other attractive nuisances; he would like to point out again that more important than dogs being attacked, is when a coyote shows aggressive behavior towards humans; everyone has lost pets, as has his family; he does

not know who is ultimately responsible, but everyone in this City knows where we live; if you look at the end of Long Valley, all you can see is open range, which is full of coyotes; and this is not the only City with livestock; all of Old Agoura is full of livestock, and the area borders parkland; there are also numerous community areas in Calabasas that have pets and coyotes.

Mr. Bryson stated that there were no coyotes around when he was young; there were free ranging chickens, and the free ranging cats took care of the rodents, so he would suggest that even though the City cannot get rid of all coyotes, that an attempt should be made to go back to how it was pre-nineties, when there were no coyotes around. Ms. Townsend explained the following:

There were coyotes back then; to go back to that time, all of the houses would have to be removed; the coyotes are not here just because of the drought; it is also because of the homes being built and what is being provided for the coyotes; in natural areas, coyotes are not seen as often, as they are getting squirrels and cottontails; but when there are houses, we attract the coyotes as there is pet food, more water, places to hide, etc. that make it easier for them; the more food there is, the more pups they have, and they spread more.

Mayor Siegel stated the following:

What Mr. Bryson is missing is that the Conservancy and the Park Service control the thousands of acres of open range next to Hidden Hills; they will not touch the wildlife, so it is like a coyote manufacturing facility; all the City can do is manage the problem until there are no longer any complaint calls regarding aggressive behavior; as stated before, the City will be more proactive in soliciting input from the community.

Craig Shandler wished to address the Council:

About two weeks ago he was missing his 80 pound dog one evening; he did not find the dog until the following morning, and it was dead; someone in the City made the decision to stop the trapping, and he would like to know why that decision was made; with the drought conditions even worse than before, he would think the process would continue.

Mayor Siegel again explained the process:

The complaint calls had been accumulated, and the trapping took place up until June 18<sup>th</sup>, when it stopped; there were no additional complaints right away, and the trappers felt they had addressed the aggressive behavior; but then more calls were received, and the trappers have returned; traps cannot be set on every property, and before Mr. Shandler's dog was attacked, there would have been no indication of a problem that would have resulted in traps being placed on his property; the Council does want to solve this

problem; the Council Members are not professional politicians, but your neighbors; up until a few years ago, he himself did not know very much about coyotes, including the fact that they were euthanized; the City will continue to do what it can.

Council Member Freedland commented as follows:

He was very sorry about the loss of the Shandler dog; the City did trapping two years ago with the same company that is doing the trapping now; it was a two week program, after which the coyote complaints stopped, other than those reports of seeing and hearing coyotes; the City had all the confidence that the same program now would solve the problem just as it did two years ago; since the problem was not solved, the trapping is continuing.

The Council assured Mr. Shandler that the City would attempt to better educate the residents about coyotes and what represents aggressive behavior (information has been and will continue to be placed in the City's newsletter).

In response to Mr. Shandler, Ms. Townsend explained that coyotes can travel anywhere from 18 – 200 miles and that they can make a lot of noise, which residents of Hidden Hills will always hear coming from Ahmanson. Council Member Weber agreed, stating that when you are up high, sounds travel a long distance, and he hears coyotes (and the noise from animals being killed) from the Ahmanson Ranch every night. He also pointed out that the trail behind the Shandler house is one of the pathways coyotes use in the City.

Ms. Harmon had one final question – she wondered since five coyotes had already been caught, if everyone could agree on a number that would be caught this time. The Council and Ms. Townsend said a particular number could not be selected, as that would be random and establishing a bounty, which could place the City in an indefensible position; the trapping will continue until the aggressive behavior complaint calls stop, and the residents will be kept informed of what is happening.

**B. Round Meadow School Traffic Flow Pattern Modifications – Direction to Staff**

City Engineer Dirk Lovett provided the following staff report:

At the previous meeting, the City Council considered alternate flow patterns, and directed staff to have the Public Safety Commission review a proposal to reverse the direction of traffic in aisle 2 (the center aisle); the Commission considered the proposal and agreed with the memo prepared by staff (dated 6/21/07), with the addition of preventing Hidden Hills residents from making any left turns into the parking lot; since that time, staff discussed the traffic problems again and thought the Council might want to consider another much simpler alternative not proposed earlier; rather than reversing the direction of aisle 2 and prohibiting Hidden Hills residents from turning left into the lot, staff would recommend just installing a “No Right Turn” sign, during specific hours, into aisle 2; those northbound from Mureau are directed to turn right into aisle 1, but often go around those in that line and turn right into aisle 2; this would make it illegal for them to do so, and would allow enforcement by the Sheriff; this should help eliminate some of the pedestrian/vehicle conflicts in that area; it would also allow Hidden Hills residents exiting the City to continue to turn left into aisle 2.

A short discussion followed during which the following questions were raised and points made:

Should the staff parking be moved to aisle 2; if so, would that really help in any way, and what would happen to those staff members arriving too late to make the right turn into that aisle; even with a sign, some people will still make that right turn illegally, but then could be issued a ticket; both the Sheriff and Public Safety Commission felt the direction of aisle 2 should be changed; the direction reversal is the first choice of the Sheriff’s Traffic Sergeant, but he would not be opposed to trying the “No Right Turn”, which may provide the same results as reversing the direction; the Public Safety Commission did not review this latest proposal; do we really want to prevent Hidden Hills residents from being able to turn into the parking lot, even though it would be better if they would all park inside the gate and not add to the congestion; any efforts made to fix one problem usually end up causing another problem; doing nothing more than installing a sign would be much simpler with very little expense, as no restriping would be necessary; it would also be less disruptive; it is very difficult to change people’s behavior; parents will still probably drop children in that center aisle, which is dangerous; how many “No Right Turn” signs would be necessary; there are already signs between Mureau and the parking lot telling people to use only the right lane for school traffic.

After the discussion, it was felt that it would be better not to make any major changes at this time, especially by reversing the traffic direction in the center aisle. Upon MOTION of Council Member Weber, seconded by Council Member Freedland and unanimously carried, it was

resolved to prohibit right turns into the Round Meadow School parking lot center aisle (aisle 2) during specific hours (to be determined by staff with input from the Sheriff's Department) in an effort to alleviate some of the traffic congestion, and to install the necessary signage.

At this time, the Council addressed Item B under Presentations.

**B. Consideration of Approval of 2007 Fiesta Budget**

The Council Members and staff discussed the proposed budget for this year's Fiesta with Co-Chairman Lisa Moriarity as follows:

The proposed budget shows \$3500 for entertainment; was there music last year and is it necessary; the dance floor was eliminated last year, but there was music in the arena; no entertainment has been obtained thus far; it might be possible to use a DJ; last year an extra tent was added at the last minute due to expected rain, which should not be needed this year; the amount for the maintenance crew has been reduced; the budgeted amount for the two bands has been increased by \$100 per band; the bottom line is over the amount approved in the City's budget for this year's Fiesta; if the entertainment amount is reduced from \$3500 to \$250, that would solve the over-budget problem.

Upon MOTION of Council Member Freedland, seconded by Council Member Weber and unanimously carried on roll call vote, it was resolved to approve the proposed 2007 Fiesta budget of \$75,000, changing the entertainment expense from \$3500 to \$250.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. City Council Minutes – June 25, 2007**
- B. Demand List**

Upon MOTION of Council Member Cohen, seconded by Council Member Freedland and unanimously carried on roll call vote, it was resolved to approve items A and B of the consent calendar as submitted.

**MATTERS FROM STAFF**

**A. Tentative Map 63567 (Ashley) - Update**

City Engineer Dirk Lovett informed the Council that staff was waiting for the consultant's revisions to the screen draft EIR, and that the applicant's traffic engineer was also working on revisions to the traffic study.

**B. Possible Cancellation of August 13, 2007 or August 27, 2007 City Council Meeting**

The Council Members all agreed to cancel the regularly scheduled August 13, 2007 City Council meeting.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**Conference with Real Property Negotiator Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8**

**Property:** Small Parcel at Top of Old Eldorado Meadow Road, APN  
2049-007-900  
**City Negotiator:** City Manager  
**Negotiating Parties:** City of Hidden Hills and Buster Weckhurst  
**Under Negotiation:** Price and Terms of Payment

Upon MOTION of Council Member Freedland, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fisher and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adjourn to closed session at 8:58 p.m., at which time the City Manager announced that the Council, in closed session, would be discussing the item listed above.

Upon MOTION of Council Member Cohen, seconded by Council Member Freedland and unanimously carried, it was resolved to return to open session at 9:07 p.m., at which time the City Manager announced that the Council, in closed session, discussed the item listed above, and that no reportable action was taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon MOTION of Council Member Cohen, seconded by Council Member Weber and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adjourn the regular meeting of July 9, 2007 at 9:08 p.m.

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Stuart E. Siegel, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cherie L. Paglia, City Manager/City Clerk