

**CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON  
DEVELOPMENT  
Meeting Minutes  
February 7, 2008**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m. Meeting relocated from Conference Room 831 to 229 in City Hall.

**ATTENDANCE**

The following Committee members were present: Miguel Pulido, Carlos Bustamante and Vince Sarmiento

Staff present were: Dave Ream, City Manager; Steve Harding, Deputy City Manager for Development Services; Jay Trevino, Executive Director Planning and Building Agency; Joe Fletcher, City Attorney; Karen Haluza, Planning Manager; Shelly Landry-Bayle, Housing Division Manager; and Itzia Heredia, Senior Office Assistant.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – DECEMBER 6, 2007 MEETING

Approved by a vote of 3:0.

*(Taken out of agenda order)*

4. DISCUSSION OF SANTA ANA RENAISSANCE SPECIFIC PLAN ZONING IN INDUSTRIAL AREAS

Prior to any discussion about the Renaissance Specific Plan, Councilmember Sarmiento excused himself from the room.

Mr. Ream and Mayor Pulido discussed the importance of the community's input into the creation of the Renaissance Specific Plan. Mayor Pulido discussed the possibility of creating an overlay zone for the industrial properties. Representatives of the industrial property owners within the plan study area expressed their support for an overlay zone for the industrial properties.

5. COUNTY OF ORANGE PRESENTATION ON POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF YMCA

A joint effort between the County of Orange Archives and Taller San Jose was proposed to rehabilitate the existing YMCA building located on Broadway & Civic Center to house the Orange County Archives, and the St. Josephs Workshop meeting/training rooms. Jack D. Angelo, CT Realty and proposed project developer,

discussed his proposal to rehabilitate the building ensuring its historic integrity and minimizing the need for public financing. Mayor Pulido thanked them for this proposal and committed to reviewing it further.

3. INCENTIVES TO ENCOURAGE THE USE OF SOLAR TECHNOLOGIES

Councilmember Sarmiento proposed a two-year pilot program that would encompass waiving permit and inspection fees for those wishing to install solar technologies at their homes or businesses. This two-year pilot program would be the first step towards Santa Ana becoming a more sustainable City. The Committee voted to bring this item before the City Council for formal action.

2. DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED HOUSING PROJECT FOR THE DISABLED AT GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD AND THE CITY DRIVE

Deborah Will, representing the non-profit development company proposing to construct the project, presented a proposal to the committee that included 41 units of special needs, affordable housing for the property located at 1600 Garden Grove Boulevard.

The Committee expressed concern about the proposed location of this project on the City's property adjacent to the Santa Ana River due to the potential for loss of a site that could be developed as an open space amenity adjacent to the bike trail. The developer committed to exploring alternative designs that could create a public rest stop for use by those on the trail in conjunction with the project.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Bud Warrick presented the committee with economic development information developed by Warrick & Associates.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS – None

8. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING – None

**ADJOURNMENT – 1:25 P.M.**

  
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Planning & Building Agency

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