

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA**



**MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 2008
City Hall Council Chamber**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pougnet called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmember Hutcheson, Councilmember Mills, Councilmember Weigel, Mayor Pro Tem Foat, and Mayor Pougnet.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Ready, City Attorney Holland, City Clerk Thompson.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS: None.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: None.

1. ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING ITEMS:

1.A. INTERVIEW CANDIDATES FOR THE PLANNING COMMISSION AS PART OF THE 2008 ANNUAL RECRUITMENT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

ACTION: Appoint Tracy Conrad and Douglas Donenfeld to the Planning Commission for the term ending June 30, 2011. **Motion Councilmember Mills, seconded by Councilmember Weigel and unanimously carried on a roll call vote.**

The City Council recessed at 5:05 p.m., to Closed Session to discuss Items as contained on the posted agenda.

The City Council reconvened at 6:00 p.m., in Open Session.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

JEFF BECKELMAN, spoke in support of Item 1.D., and thanked the City Council for their commitment to the Wyndam Hotel and the tourism industry.

DUANE ROHRBAUGH, Wyndham Hotel, spoke in support of Item 1.D., and commented on the benefits to the hotel and the tourism industry.

1.B. APPROVAL OF ADDENDA TO AGREEMENTS WITH SMG FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE PALM SPRINGS CONVENTION CENTER AGREEMENT NO. A4806 AND THE TOURISM SERVICES AGREEMENT NO. A4992:

City Manager Ready provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated June 25, 2008.

ACTION: 1) Approve Addendum to Agreement No. A4806 with SMG for management of the Palm Springs Convention Center; 2) Approve the Addendum to Agreement No. A4992 with SMG for management of the Palm Springs Bureau of Tourism and Visitor Center; and 3) Authorize the City Manager to execute the Addenda. A4806. A4992. **Motion Councilmember Mills, seconded by Councilmember Weigel and unanimously carried on a roll call vote.**

1.C. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 1743 INCREASING THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS ON THE RESOURCE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FROM SEVEN (7) TO ELEVEN (11) MEMBERS:

City Clerk Thompson provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated June 25, 2008.

ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 1743, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 2.28.010 OF THE PALM SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE, INCREASING THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS ON THE RESOURCE CONSERVATION COMMISSION TO ELEVEN (11) MEMBERS." **Motion Mayor Pro Tem Foat, seconded by Councilmember Weigel and unanimously carried on a roll call vote.**

1.D. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR AN INTERNATIONAL HOTEL AND CONVENTION CENTER MARKETING AND RESERVATION PROGRAM WITH HH PALM SPRINGS LLC, FOR A PERIOD OF 25 YEARS:

City Manager Ready and Tom Wilson, Assistant City Manager, provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated June 25, 2008.

ACTION: 1) Approve a contractual services agreement with HH Palm Springs, LLC for an International Hotel and Convention Center Marketing and Reservation Program for a period of 25 years; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents. A5690. **Motion Councilmember Weigel, seconded by Councilmember Hutcherson and unanimously carried on a roll call vote.**

1.E. INTERVIEW CANDIDATES FOR THE HISTORIC SITE PRESERVATION BOARD AS PART OF THE 2008 ANNUAL RECRUITMENT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

ACTION: 1) Appoint Thomas DeLeeuw and John Gilmer to the Historic Site Preservation Board for the term ending June 30, 2011; and 2) Appoint Barbara Marshall to the Historic Site Preservation Board to fill the unexpired term ending June 30, 2010. **Motion Councilmember Weigel, seconded by Councilmember Hutcheson and unanimously carried on a roll call vote.**

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS, REQUESTS, AND REPORTS:

Mayor Pougnet commented on a recent meeting with Desert Regional Medical Center, and stated the facility should be included in discussions when planning and scheduling larger events in the City.

Mayor Pougnet requested the City Clerk place on the July 9, 2008, Agenda, Appointment of a City Council Subcommittee to address the regulation of Taxi Cabs.

Mayor Pougnet requested the City Manager place on the Resource Conservation Commission Agenda, a discussion on the prohibition of plastic bags in the City.

Mayor Pro Tem Foat reported on the City Council Subcommittee working with Desert Hot Springs, and requested staff address a blighted property on Dillon Road near Interstate 10 with respect to windmills.

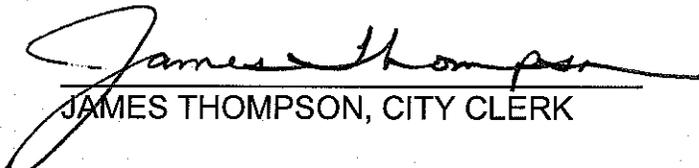
Councilmember Mills requested the City Manager report to Riverside County Code Enforcement a blighted property in the Cove area with respect to the dead trees at the Development entering the City limits.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 9:42 p.m. to an Adjourned Regular Meeting, Wednesday, July 9, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, preceded by a Closed Session at 5:00 p.m., Small Conference Room, City Hall, 3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE PALM SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL THIS 9TH DAY OF JULY, 2008.


STEPHEN P. POGNET, MAYOR

ATTEST:


JAMES THOMPSON, CITY CLERK