

AGENDA

Special Meeting

GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL

GARDEN GROVE AGENCY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Community Meeting Center  
11300 Stanford Avenue

May 31, 2005

6:22 p.m.

Founders Room

CITY COUNCIL

ROLL CALL: COUNCIL MEMBER KREBS, COUNCIL MEMBER LEYES, COUNCIL MEMBER NGUYEN, MAYOR PRO TEM ROSEN, MAYOR DALTON

All Members present.

AGENCY

ROLL CALL: MEMBER DALTON, MEMBER KREBS, MEMBER LEYES, VICE CHAIR ROSEN, CHAIR NGUYEN

All Members present.

*Members of the public desiring to speak on any item of public interest, including any item on the agenda except public hearings, must do so during Oral Communications at the beginning of the meeting. Each speaker shall fill out a card stating name and address, to be presented to the City Clerk, and shall be limited to five (5) minutes. Members of the public wishing to address public hearing items shall do so at the time of the public hearing. Additionally, any person requiring auxiliary aids and services due to a disability should contact the City Clerk's office to arrange for special accommodations. (City Council Manual of Procedures, Section D). Agenda item descriptions are intended to give a brief general description of the item to advise the public of the item's general nature. The City Council may take legislative action it deems appropriate with respect to the item and is not limited to the recommended action indicated in staff reports or the agenda.*

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1. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC:

- 1.a. Verla Lambert commented regarding election districts, noting that having six new districts would bring Garden Grove back together as a city. Financial interest would not find it feasible to donate to seven candidates. (F: 53.3) (XR: 58.1)
- 1.b. Gerry Newkirk commented regarding the proposed ordinance for the park usage fee, noting that all the proceeds from the Strawberry Festival go back to the community. Increased fees would mean less money to donate to city organizations. He noted that for some organizations, the Festival is their primary fund raising-event. (F: 53.3) (XR: 42.1a)
- 1.c. Tony Flores commented regarding election districts, and disagreed with comments made that Council Members would only work for the district they represent. He questioned whether the City was proposing to hire a lobbyist, considering the City's financial situation. He questioned whether the increase in park fees would go toward the new gym. (F: 53.3) (XR: 58.1) (XR: 67.1) (XR: 42.1a)
- 1.d. Bob Kessler commented regarding the proposed park usage fee. He questioned whether credit toward the amount of the fee could be given to the Festival that gives its proceeds to the community. (F: 53.3) (XR: 42.1a)
- 1.e. Benny Diaz commented regarding the altercation at the Women's Club last week, and thanked the Police Department for their assistance. He requested that the City investigate what happened at that meeting, noting that racism should not be tolerated. (F: 53.3) (XR: 82.1)
- 1.f. Sheldon Singer commented regarding the proposed park usage fee, noting that the Strawberry Festival is a community event that unites the west side of Garden Grove with the east side. The Festival allows 50 organizations to raise money they would have no other way of raising. (F: 53.3) (XR: 42.1a)

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- 1.g. Greg Beard commented that the City still seems to be discussing casinos behind closed doors. More people might be in favor of casinos if more information were passed on to the community. There is already too much traffic on Harbor Boulevard without adding a casino. He also questioned why so many intersections in the city have signs that say photo enforcement when there are no cameras at those intersections. (F: 53.3)
- 1.h. Douglas Hitchcock commented regarding his being mistreated by the Redevelopment staff and by the Police Department. He has been waiting for four years to hear whether he will be provided relocation assistance, and whether the City will be taking his property. (F: 53.3)

2. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

- 2.a. Special Event Regulations and Fees. (F: 42.1a)

- 2.a.1. Discussion concerning special event permit ordinance regulations.

- ACTION: Discussed.

- 2.a.2. Discussion concerning implementation of rental fees for park usage for special events.

- ACTION: Discussed. Staff to provide the donation lists for the last two years from every Festival.

- 2.b. Discussion concerning changing the allotted time for public comments at City Council meetings. (F: 127.1)

- ACTION: Discussed. Time will remain at five minutes.

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3. MATTERS FROM THE MAYOR, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS:

- 3.a. Discussion concerning establishment of a Legislative Body comprised of Council Members elected by District, as requested by Council Member Leyes. (F: 58.1)

ACTION: Continued to a later date.

- 3.b. Lobbyist Subcommittee update. (F: 67.1)

ACTION: Continued to a later date.

- 3.c. Council Member Rosen requested that the repeal of Municipal Section 2.44.040 regarding the nepotism policy be added to an agenda. He also requested that a discussion of the Sister City Program be added to an agenda. And that a discussion and a report regarding parking fees be added to the same agenda when the City Manager's Community Financial Working Group gives its report. And finally, he requested that the pension issue also be listed on an agenda. (F: 53.1)

- 3.d. Council Member Krebs commented that he attended the last Planning Commission meeting and commended Community Development Director Susan Emery and her staff for a job well done. (F: 53.1) (XR: 122.10) (XR: 57.1)

- 3.e. Mayor Dalton commented that nobody told the Community Financial Working Group what to do. They were given direction to come up with ideas that could help the city and present those ideas to the City Council. He requested that the City Attorney review the current ordinance regarding chiropractic offices and massage parlors to see if it is adequate to address the problem of chiropractic offices fronting for massage parlors, and list it for the next agenda. (F: 53.1) (XR: 122.76)

4. ADJOURNMENT: 7:43 p.m.