



Concord ANNOTATED AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CONCORD CITY COUNCIL

**Tuesday, February 4, 2014
6:30 p.m. – Regular Meeting
City Council Chamber
1950 Parkside Drive, Concord, CA**

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ROLL CALL – All present

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG – Vice Mayor Leone

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Carey Gregg and Bryan Elizarraraz, both of Concord, shared information regarding the upcoming “Convoy of Hope” event planned for Saturday, April 5, at Rio Vista Elementary School at 10 a.m. They explained that it was opportunity for local persons to receive free haircuts, medical services, dental services and food.

Craig Schiemann, Concord, spoke of the condition of the City streets, expressing concern over the utility boxes that were not raised when the streets are improved and the potential for damage to vehicles.

Joe Partansky, Clayton, asked all the Councilmembers to share their thoughts on increasing civic participation, especially among the youth, elderly, women and disabled, suggesting that residents be allowed to phone in during public comment periods and public hearings. He also asked when the Mayor’s State of the City message would broadcast and was advised that it would air on television February 5 – 15 at 10 a.m., 4 p.m., 6 p.m., and 9 p.m.

1. **PRESENTATIONS**

- a. **Presentation** – to Chris Llata, City Arborist, proclaiming February 15, 2014 as Arbor Day in the City of Concord. **Presentation by Mayor Grayson.**

ACTION: Mayor Grayson presented a proclamation to Chris Llata, City Arborist, who shared information regarding the upcoming “Community Tree Planting Event” scheduled for Saturday, February 15th from 8:30 am – 12 Noon at the Boatwright Sports Complex in Concord. He explained that volunteers are needed to help plant 56 new trees.

- b. **Presentation** – by Tom Kuhlman, Interim Director of Information Technology, providing an overview of the “Accela Civic Hero,” a Smart Phone application. **Introduction by Mayor Grayson.**

ACTION: Tom Kuhlman, Interim Director of Information Technology introduced Jeff Stiles, Vice President of Marketing of Accela, Inc. who gave an overview of the Smart Phone Application “Accela Civic Hero” and Allen Chen of Accela, Inc. who gave a demonstration of its use.

- c. **Presentation** – of an update on the Downtown Concord Specific Plan project, including preferred alternative, project schedule, and current status. **Presentation by Joan Ryan, Senior Planner.**

ACTION: Senior Planner Joan Ryan provided an update on the Downtown Concord Specific Plan project.

2. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CITY COUNCIL
MATTERS**

3. CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- a. **Consideration** – of the sale of an unused 11,375 square foot portion of property located at 4050 Port Chicago Highway, Concord California (APN 100-370-009) to Pacific Ranch Investments for an appraised value of \$40,000. The General Plan and Zoning Designation for the property portion is Parks and Recreation. The project is classified as Categorically Exempt pursuant to Section 15305(a), Class 5, “Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations.” Resolution No. 14-5 for adoption. (Revenue) This item was continued from the meeting of Tuesday, January 28, 2014. **Report by John Montagh, Economic and Housing Manager.**

ACTION: This matter was removed from the calendar by staff and was not rescheduled.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE** – City Council correspondence not selectively included in the following list is available for inspection during normal business hours by contacting the City Clerk at 671-3495.

- a. Copy of a flyer announcing the “Community Tree Planting Event” scheduled for February 15, 2014 at the Boatwright Sports Complex from 8:30 am – 12 Noon.
- b. Vice Mayor Leone submitted a list of the meetings and events he’d attended between the period January 29 – February 3, 2014.

5. CLOSED SESSION REPORTS

6. COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS

Councilmembers shared information regarding the events and meetings that they had recently attended.

7. ADJOURNMENT – at 8:15 p.m.

NOTICE

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NEXT REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING: 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, February 11, 2014

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