

**CITY OF ESCONDIDO**  
**February 15, 2012**  
**3:30 p.m. Meeting Minutes**

**Escondido City Council**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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**ATTENDANCE**

The following members were present: Councilmember Olga Diaz, Councilmember Ed Gallo, Councilmember Michael Morasco, Deputy Mayor Marie Waldron, and Mayor Sam Abed. Quorum present.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**CLOSED SESSION: (COUNCIL/CDC/RRB)**

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Morasco and seconded by Councilmember Gallo to recess to Closed Session. Motion carried unanimously.

**I. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--EXISTING LITIGATION (Government Code §54956.9(a))**

- a.** Lloyd J. Holt Jr. v. City of Escondido CASE NO. 37-2011-00057038-CU-BC-NC
- b.** Mullins v. City of Escondido CASE NO. 37-2011-00053085-CU-PO-NC

## ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

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Also present were: Clay Phillips, City Manager; Jeffrey Epp, City Attorney; Barbara Redlitz, Community Development director; Ed Domingue, Engineering Services Director; Diane Halverson, City Clerk; and Liane Uhl, Minutes Clerk.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Roy Garrett, Escondido**, asked how the new General Plan would affect Prop S.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilmember Gallo removed item 5, Councilmember Diaz removed item 4, Councilmember Morasco removed item 6 and Mayor Abed removed item 10 from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Morasco and seconded by Councilmember Diaz that the following Consent Calendar items be approved with the exception of items 4, 5, 6 and 10. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1. AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION, MAILING AND POSTING (COUNCIL/CDC/RRB)**
- 2. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER (Council/CDC)**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:     None Scheduled**

4. **PUBLIC ART AGREEMENT FOR MAPLE STREET PEDESTRIAN PLAZA** – Request Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Agreement for Public Art Services in the amount of \$127,805.00 with Paul Hobson for the fabrication and installation of Public Artworks for the Maple Street Pedestrian Plaza project. (File No. 0600-10 [A-3042])

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Engineering Services: Robert Zaino**)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-06**

Councilmember Diaz if the Public Art Commission was involved in the art selection for the Maple Street Plaza.

Jerry Van Leeuwen, Community Services Director, indicated there was a presentation to the Public Art Commission, but not a request to the Commission for funding.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Morasco and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to execute an Agreement for Public Art Services in the amount of \$127,805.00 with Paul Hobson for the fabrication and installation of Public Artworks for the Maple Street Pedestrian Plaza project and adopt Resolution No. 2012-06. Ayes: Abed, Diaz, Gallo and Morasco. Noes: Waldron. Absent: None. Motion carried.

5. **CAL FIRE URBAN FORESTRY INVENTORY GRANT** – Request Council authorize the Director of Community Services to submit an application to Cal Fire for an Urban Forestry Inventory Grant. (File No. 0480-70)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Community Services: Jerry Van Leeuwen**)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-18**

Councilmember Gallo asked who was liable if a healthy tree fell on someone.

Attorney Jeffrey Epp answered that if it was a City tree, the City would be liable.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to authorize the Director of Community Services to submit an application to Cal Fire for an Urban Forestry Inventory Grant and adopt Resolution No. 2012-18. Ayes: Diaz, Morasco and Waldron. Noes: Abed and Gallo. Absent: None. Motion carried.

6. **LAKE WOHLFORD CAFÉ CONCESSION CONTRACT** – Request Council authorize a concession sales contract with the Lake Wohlford Café, represented by Bruce M. Kamps and Phyllis A. Kamps. (File No. 0600-10 Misc.)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Utilities Department: Chris McKinney**)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-25**

Councilmember Morasco asked if the amount of the contract was correct.

Chris McKinney, Utilities Director, indicated it was correct and the proprietors were happy with the contract.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Waldron and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to authorize a concession sales contract with the Lake Wohlford Café, represented by Bruce M. Kamps and Phyllis A. Kamps and adopt Resolution No. 2012-25. Motion carried unanimously.

7. **EMPLOYER PAID MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FIRE MANAGEMENT** – Request Council approve the reduction of the Employer Paid Member Contributions paid by the City from nine percent (9%) to zero percent (0%) for Fire Management. (File No. 0740-30)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Human Resources: Sheryl Bennett**)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-22**

8. **ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT (AVA) PROGRAM RENEWAL** – Request that Council approve declaration of the City's intent to extend participation in the San Diego County AVA Program. (File No. 0660-20)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Community Development/ Planning: Barbara Redlitz**)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-27**

9. **ADOPTION OF RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE** – Request Council adopt a Recognized Schedule of Obligations. (File No. 0440-35)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Finance Department: Gilbert Rojas**)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-29**

10. **MODIFICATION TO SAN DIEGO COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL** – Request Council authorize the Mayor to sign a letter requesting that the County modify its Vector Control Program to include abatement measures for the eye gnat. (File No. 0230-60)

Staff Recommendation: None (**Deputy Mayor Marie Waldron and Councilmember Ed Gallo**)

**Mark Lindshield, Escondido**, stated that gnats have been in the City for many years and the organic farm was not responsible for the recent infestation.

**Chris Wahl, Organic Farm Representative**, indicated the gnats were in the area before the farm was established and stated the farmer was setting traps and taking other measures to get rid of the gnats.

**Larry Michel, Escondido**, encouraged the Council to send the letter to the County.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Waldron and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter requesting that the County modify its Vector Control Program to include abatement measures for the eye gnat. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT - RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES (COUNCIL/CDC/RRB)**

The following Resolutions and Ordinances were heard and acted upon by the City Council/CDC/RRB at a previous City Council/Community Development Commission/Mobilehome Rent Review meeting. (The title of Ordinances listed on the Consent Calendar are deemed to have been read and further reading waived.)

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 11. APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION DECISION TO APPROVE A MODIFICATION TO THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR INTERFAITH COMMUNITY SERVICES (PHG 11-0039)** – Request Council deny the appeal of a Planning Commission decision to modify the existing Conditional Use Permit for Interfaith Community Services (2004-71-CUP) to allow a temporary winter shelter for up to 40 homeless persons to operate on an annual basis from December through the end of March. (File No. 0800-40 PGH 11-0039)

Staff Recommendation: Deny the appeal and uphold the Planning Commission approval of the modification to the Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a temporary winter shelter on an annual basis. **(Community Development/ Planning: Barbara Redlitz)**

### RESOLUTION NO. 2012-20R

Barbara Redlitz, Community Development Director, gave the staff report and presented a series of slides.

Mayor Abed opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak on this issue in any way.

**Richard Batt, Interfaith Community Services Executive Director**, requested the Council uphold the Planning Commission's decision.

**Dave Ferguson, Attorney**, urged Council to leave out the actual boundary streets in the modification.

Mayor Abed asked if anyone else wanted to speak on this issue in any way. No one asked to be heard. Therefore, he closed the public hearing.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Waldron and seconded by Mayor Abed to approve the appeal with staff's modification. Ayes: Abed and Waldron. Noes: Diaz, Gallo and Morasco. Motion failed.

**MOTION:** Moved by Mayor Abed and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to approve the Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a temporary winter shelter on an annual basis with staff's two recommended conditions and adopt Resolution No. 2012-20R. Ayes: Abed, Gallo, Morasco and Waldron. Noes: None. Abstain: Diaz. Motion carried.

## CURRENT BUSINESS

- 12. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY'S LAWSUIT AGAINST THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA** – Request Council approve supporting the SDCWA's lawsuit against the MWD. (File No. 0145-80)

Staff Recommendation: Approval **(Utilities Department: Chris McKinney)**

### RESOLUTION NO. 2012-26

Chris McKinney, Utilities Director, introduced Marilyn Dailey and Frank Belock, San Diego County Water Authority Representatives, who gave the report and presented a series of slides.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Morasco and seconded by Councilmember Gallo to approve supporting the SDCWA's lawsuit against the MWD and adopt Resolution No. 2012-26. Motion carried unanimously.

- 13. JOINT USE AGREEMENT WITH SDG&E: MISSION AVENUE UNDERGROUND 69KV TRANSMISSION LINE** – Request Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign a Joint Use Agreement with SDG&E for the underground installation of existing and new 69kv transmission circuits from their Escondido substation to their Ash Street substation. (File No. 1300-20)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Engineering Services: Ed Domingue**)

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2012-01**

Owen Tunnel, Engineering Services, gave the staff report and presented a series of slides.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign a Joint Use Agreement with SDG&E for the underground installation of existing and new 69kv transmission circuits from their Escondido substation to their Ash Street substation and adopt Resolution No. 2012-01. Motion carried unanimously.

- 14. EAST VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER COMPUTER LAB AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER** – Presentation on proposed initial construction cost and annual operating expense. (File No. 1200-40)

Staff Recommendation: Provide direction to staff (**Community Services: Jerry Van Leeuwen**)

Jerry Van Leeuwen, Community Services Director, and Jeff Wyner, Senior Librarian, gave the staff report and presented a series of slides.

**Roy Garrett, Escondido,** asked Council to research operating a bookmobile at the Technology Center site and to maintain short lease of the space.

**COUNCIL ACTION:** Council consensus to move forward while researching the use of some CDBG funds and funding a bookmobile.

### **WORKSHOP**

- 15. TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYSTEM WORKSHOP** – Request that Council receive and file the report on the state of the City's Traffic Signal system. (File No. 1050-50)

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File Report (**Engineering Services: Ed Domingue**)

Ali Shahzad and Beth Kassebaum, Engineering Services, gave the staff report and presented a series of slides.

**Tom McKeon, Engineering Company,** gave a report on their company's traffic synchronization software.

**COUNCIL ACTION:** No action, information only

## **FUTURE AGENDA**

- 16. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** - The purpose of this item is to identify issues presently known to staff or which members of the Council wish to place on an upcoming City Council agenda. Council comment on these future agenda items is limited by California Government Code Section 54954.2 to clarifying questions, brief announcements, or requests for factual information in connection with an item when it is discussed.

Staff Recommendation: None (**City Clerk's Office: Diane Halverson**)

## **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Robroy Fawcett, Escondido**, asked for information on the status of the voter district litigation.

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS/BRIEFING**

Councilmember Gallo recognized the Classical Academy students and Charter High School students who attended the State of the City Address.

Councilmember Morasco indicated he had received good feedback from Escondido citizens who had attended the State of the City Address.

Councilmember Diaz read a letter from an Escondido resident who had an issue with a red light traffic citation and she asked for a review of the red light cameras.

Councilmember Waldron stated the League of California Cities was monitoring the redevelopment issues.

Mayor Abed indicated he had attended a SANDAG retreat in Barona where they discussed the Regional Comprehensive Plan and the High Speed Train.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

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**CITY OF ESCONDIDO  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
8:30 A.M. WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2012  
CALIFORNIA CENTER FOR THE ARTS, ESCONDIDO  
STATE OF THE CITY  
MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Escondido, California, was called to order on Wednesday, February 8, 2012 at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido with Mayor Abed presiding.

**FLAG SALUTE**

George Weir, Weir Asphalt, led the flag salute.

**ATTENDANCE**

The following members were present: Councilmember Olga Diaz, Councilmember Ed Gallo, Councilmember Mike Morasco, Deputy Mayor Marie Waldron and Mayor Sam Abed. Quorum present.

**RECOGNITION OF COMMUNITY AND STAFF**

The following employees were acknowledged for their service to the City of Escondido:

<i>Sam Cottrell.....</i>	<i>30 years</i>
<i>Cheryl Filar.....</i>	<i>25 years</i>
<i>Corey Moles.....</i>	<i>25 years</i>
<i>Clay Phillips.....</i>	<i>25 years</i>
<i>Mary Unland.....</i>	<i>25 years</i>
<i>Kathy Winn.....</i>	<i>25 years</i>

Escondido City Council Awards were presented by Mayor Abed and members of the Council to the following:

<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Category</u>
<i>Carina Courtright</i> .....	Arts
<i>Dr. Bronner's Magic Soap</i> .....	Business
<i>Assistance League of Inland North County</i> .....	Charity
<i>Cole Preston</i> .....	Community Beautification
<i>Michael Rosenberg</i> .....	Community Beautification
<i>Escondido Mounted Posse</i> .....	Community Spirit
<i>Carol Rea</i> .....	Historic Preservation
<i>Wayne Louth</i> .....	Patriotism
<i>Jose Jimenez</i> .....	Youth Leadership

Recognition was given to the following Board and Commission members who retired during the past year:

**Design Review Board**

*Carol Bell*.....2 years  
*Robert James*.....10 years  
*Edward McArdle*.....2 years  
*Sandy McDougal*.....6 years  
*Carol Rea*.....1 year  
*Karl Ulle*.....7 years  
*Merle Watson*.....11 years

**Library Board of Trustees**

*Alex Galenes*.....6 years

**CITY COUNCIL REMARKS**

Each Councilmember gave a brief presentation providing their vision for the future, highlighting the many amenities and reasons to be proud of our City.

**MAYOR'S STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS**

Mayor Sam Abed noted that since taking office in December 2010, the Current Escondido City Council had made great strides in achieving many of its collective goals to make Escondido the finest city in North County. This success is due in large measure to Council's adoption of a comprehensive City Council Action Plan that aggressively focuses on four key areas:

**Financial Stability:** Adopt a balanced budget; restrict funding to the City's basic core functions; implement pension reform; evaluate potential areas for outsourcing; evaluate programs to make City government more efficient.

**Economic Development:** Hire a consultant to develop Escondido's first Economic Development Master Plan; eliminate parking requirements for new and expanding businesses in the downtown and Mercado area; streamline rules and regulations for the development process by consolidating the Design Review

Board and Planning Commission; reinstate Economic Development staff; propose an additional 450 acres of employment land in the new General Plan; purchase software that will allow various online transactions including processing of business licenses, permits, inspection requests, submission and review of plans online and reinstate the Façade and Property Improvement Program for commercial properties.

Image and Appearance: Reinstall a modified version of the Appearance and Compliance Team; develop additional public education and outreach programs and information; evaluate and update the sign ordinance; develop strategies to address maintenance of vacant and foreclosed properties; expand City-Sourced Application beyond reporting potholes and graffiti.

Embrace Diversity and Community Outreach: Focus on community events held in downtown Escondido to unite and celebrate our community; increase opportunities for the community to provide input and feedback to the City through surveys, social media and Town Hall meetings; provide additional customer service and skills development training for employees; purchase kiosks with on-line resources to allow customers access to information at City Hall; provide government transparency to improve public trust in City government.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

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**CITY OF ESCONDIDO**  
**FEBRUARY 1, 2012**  
**3:30 p.m. Meeting Minutes**

**Escondido City Council**

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Deputy Mayor Marie Waldron and Councilmember Michael Morasco were absent.

Councilmember Morasco arrived at 3:40 p.m. and Deputy Mayor Marie Waldron arrived at 3:50 p.m.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Wally Gutierrez, Escondido**, voiced concern with recreation fees.

**CLOSED SESSION: (COUNCIL/CDC/RRB)**

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Gallo to recess to Closed Session. Ayes: Abed, Diaz and Gallo. Noes: None. Absent: Morasco and Waldron.

Attorney Jeffrey Epp indicated there was no longer a need to discuss item Ib.

- I. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Government Code §54957.6)**
- a. Agency negotiators: Sheryl Bennett, Clay Phillips  
Employee organization: Police Officers' Association
  - b. Agency negotiators: Sheryl Bennett, Clay Phillips  
Employee organization: Escondido Firefighters' Association

**II. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Government Code §54956.8)**

- a.**      Property:                      700 West Grand  
          Agency Negotiator:        Clay Phillips  
          Negotiating parties:        City and T3D-Tactical 3<sup>rd</sup> Dimension, HydroGen Power Systems,  
                                                 IReady Systems, San Diego Mobile Billboards  
          Under negotiation:        Price and terms of payment

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 4:20 p.m.

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**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Wally Guetirez, Escondido**, voiced concern with recreation fees.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Waldron that the following Consent Calendar items be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1. AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION, MAILING AND POSTING (COUNCIL/CDC/RRB)**
- 2. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER (Council/CDC)**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting of January 11, 2012**

4. **ESCONDIDO-VISTA WATER TREATMENT PLANT ONSITE CHLORINE GENERATION AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT** – Request Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Amendment to the existing Consulting Agreement with Black & Veatch for additional engineering services for the Escondido-Vista Water Treatment Plant Onsite Chlorine Generation Project; approve a budget adjustment to fund this project, and approve a sole source with Process Solutions Inc. for the 0.8% sodium hypochlorite generation equipment. (File No. 0600-10 [A-3015])

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Utilities Department: Chris McKinney**)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-15**

5. **IMPLEMENT RECREATIONAL VEHICLE (RV) AND LARGE VEHICLES OF SEVEN FEET OR OVER PARKING PROHIBITION ALONG GRAPE DAY PARK FRONTING NORTH BROADWAY, WOODWARD AVENUE AND PORTIONS OF PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE** – Request Council approve to implement and modify the traffic schedule for time parking, to restrict vehicles seven feet tall and over from public parking spaces adjacent to Grape Day Park on North Broadway; on Woodward Avenue between North Broadway and Escondido Boulevard and on Pennsylvania Avenue between North Broadway and North Kalmia Street. (File No. 1050-50)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Engineering Services: Ed Domingue**)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-02**

6. **ESCONDIDO FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION CONTRACT** – Request Council approve a successor Memorandum of Understanding with the Firefighters' Association. (File No. 0740-30)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Human Resources Department: Sheryl Bennett**)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-19**

**CONSENT - RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES (COUNCIL/CDC/RRB)**

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7. **AMENDING SECTION 2-28 OF THE ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL CODE TO CHANGE THE SALARY SCHEDULE FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS** – Approved on January 25, 2012, with a vote of 4/1, Waldron Voting No. (File No. 0720-20)
- a. **ORDINANCE NO. 2012-04 R Second Reading and Adoption**
  - b. **ORDINANCE NO. 2012-05 Second Reading and Adoption**
8. **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND ZONE CHANGE FOR ESCONDIDO FIRE STATION NO. 4 (PHG 11-0017)** – Approved on January 25, 2012, with a vote of 5/0. (File No. 0800-40 PHG-11-0017)

**ORDINANCE NO. 2012-03 Second Reading and Adoption**

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

9. **SPECIFIC PLAN AMENDMENT (PHG 11-0034)** – Request Council approve an amendment to the Escondido Research and Technology Center (ERTC) Specific Plan to modify fencing design standards. (File No. 0800-70)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Planning Department: Barbara Redlitz**)

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2012-12**

Bill Martin, Planning Department, gave the staff report and presented a series of slides.

Mayor Abed opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak on this issue in any way. No one asked to be heard. Therefore, he closed the public hearing.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to approve an amendment to the Escondido Research and Technology Center (ERTC) Specific Plan to modify fencing design standards and adopt Resolution No. 2012-12. Motion carried unanimously.

## **WORKSHOP**

10. **DRAFT GENERAL PLAN, DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN, CLIMATE ACTION PLAN, AND DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (CASE NO: PHG 09-0020, PHG 10-0016)** – Introduce documents currently out for public review pertaining to the City's General Plan Update, gather public input and discuss timeframes and potential courses of action prior to future public hearings. (File No. 0830-20)

Staff Recommendation: Review materials, receive public input and provide direction to staff on the next steps. (**Community Development/Planning: Barbara Redlitz**)

Jay Petrek, Planning Division, gave the staff report and presented a series of slides.

**Delores McQuiston, Escondido**, asked for information on the SANDAG buildout portion of the General Plan.

**Pamela Stahl, Escondido**, distributed copies of the "minority report" and voiced concern with making changes to Proposition S in the General Plan.

**Chris Nava, Escondido**, suggested that no new construction impede fire and police protection.

**Jerry Lenhard, Escondido**, voiced concern that Proposition S would not be upheld.

**M.A. Mareck, Escondido**, expressed concern with the educational quality aspect of the General Plan.

**William Stephenson, Escondido**, asked if the General Plan would be affected if the City was a Charter City.

**Mark Skok, Escondido**, indicated that traffic lights be synchronized to improve air quality.

**COUNCIL ACTION:** Directed staff to proceed with the general plan process.



## **FUTURE AGENDA**

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Staff Recommendation: None **(City Clerk's Office: Diane Halverson)**

Councilmember Diaz asked that the Public Art Commission give their input on the proposed art for the Maple Street Plaza.

## **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Jerry Lenhard, Escondido**, voiced concern with the interpretation of Proposition S in the General Plan.

**M.A. Mareck, Escondido**, asked for more workshops on the General Plan.

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS/BRIEFING**

Councilmember Gallo attended a Borders Committee meeting and reported on their tour of the San Ysidro border crossing.

Mayor Abed indicated the annual State of the City would be held on Wednesday, February 8, 2012 at 8:30 a.m. at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

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