

Minutes of the regular San Anselmo City Council meeting of March 13, 1973. All Councilmen were present.

OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Mr. Pieter Toal stated he has great respect for the San Anselmo Police Department but wondered why it took 52 policemen to control 500 students at Sir Francis Drake High School parking lot on Friday night. Mayor Perry stated he had a satisfactory talk about the incident with the Chief of Police and suggested that Mr. Toal contact him too. The students had gathered in the school parking lot after a basketball game and the Police Department was unaware there would be such a gathering. The Chief of Police met with the students later and discussed the situation which resulted with the dance for the following week-end being called off. Councilman Capurro stated he had been present at 1:30 a.m. when the incident took place and was satisfied in how it was handled.

Dr. Miles Weinberger of Laurel Avenue, San Anselmo, again complained about the danger for children being created from a swimming pool which has been installed in his neighborhood. His first complaint about this matter was presented to the City Council at their meeting of October 10, 1972. The City Attorney reported he has been asked to prepare an emergency ordinance covering the subject of security measures for swimming pools and this will be before the City Council at an early date. It probably will be presented to the Planning Commission first.

a. VOLUNTEER BUREAU OF MARIN, FOSTER HOME CARE FOR CHILDREN

M/S Stewart, Blinder to endorse the request of the Volunteer Bureau of Marin County on the need of foster homes as outlined in their letter of February 21, 1973 and furthermore, the City Council invites the citizens to participate in the workshop to be held in San Anselmo on April 14, 1973. Passed unanimously.

b. APPROVAL OF DESIGN AND LANDSCAPING PLAN FOR CREEKSIDE PARKING LOT

There was general agreement by all that the Creekside Parking Lot should be used as a combination parking lot and park area. Mr. Leitzell's plan was again presented as was a plan drawn up by Mr. Dan Goltz. Mr. Goltz's more detailed plan was received enthusiastically by the majority of those present. One merchant was in favor of the plan but was concerned about the danger of too much closed-in area. Jan Fairchild suggested that in order to get parking available quickly, there could be volunteer projects for the area which could be handled by some of the citizens. This would cut the cost for the city. Mr. Reed stated that the Chamber of Commerce discussed this subject at length last Thursday and they are interested in Mr. Goltz's plan. He warned the City Council not to defer action because the interested citizens might lose interest. Councilman Blinder was enthusiastic about the parking lot in that it would attract more people to San Anselmo - it would provide a buffer zone from the traffic and the town. He suggested getting away from the asphalt concept because it does aggravate flooding and would suggest using brick or gravel so that water could be absorbed. He does not want details to hold this project up. Councilman Anderson wanted a vote at this meeting in favor of the plan. Councilman Capurro stated the Council should concentrate on the parking and park area but was concerned that the creek would cause problems because of children playing in that area. Mayor Perry stated the plan is good and it does represent a compromise. He assumes the Council will have to wrestle with this matter at budget time.

M/S Stewart, Blinder to endorse the concept plan for the Creekside Parking lot as presented by Mr. Dan Goltz from his plans dated March 13, 1973 and the Public Works Director be requested to solicit interested firms and parties to provide us with working drawings for the park. Passed unanimously.

c. PROPOSAL FOR A COMPOSTING ORDINANCE

Mr. Ranald Coburn, representing the San Anselmo Ecology Committee, referred to the Committee's letter to the City Council regarding changing the City ordinance to allow composting be done under proper conditions. Councilman Stewart stated that the Council endorsed the idea and asked that Mr. Roth write an amendment to the existing ordinance. No deadline was set.

d. EXCEPTION TO SUBDIVISION REQUIREMENTS AS TO LOT SIZE (SS-176 Ellis & Santucci)

M/S Anderson, Blinder to approve the request by W.H. Ellis and L.E. Santucci, for subdivision application SS-176 for a lot line revision at 61 and 69 Foothill Rd., Lots 68 and 69, Bush Tract, in accordance with the tentative map approved by the Planning Commission 1/8/73 permitting one lot to have a minimum lot area of 7,050 sq. ft. plus a deed restriction that the garages would be used only as garages. Passed unanimously.

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 p1 e. APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF USE PERMITS U-262 AND 263 - J. J. McFarland Corp. (Goltz)

M/S Capurro, Anderson that the appeal of D. H. Goltz regarding the decision of the Planning to approve Use Permits U-262 and U-263, J. H. McFarland Corp., be denied.

Ayes: Councilmen Anderson, Capurro, Perry

Noes: Councilmen Stewart, Blinder

p1 f. PUBLIC HEARINGS (Continued)

1. Z-137 Sunny Hills, rezone A/P 6-061-24, C-3 and R-1 to PPD
2. Z-139 Sunny Hills, rezone A/P 6-061-33 & 177-190-05, R-1 to PPD
3. Z-140 S.A. School District: Rezone A/P 6-061-14, R-1 to PPD

After being questioned, the City Attorney stated these items can be legally continued forever. Items continued until April 24, 1973.

p1 g. RECOMMENDATIONS OF PLANNING COMMISSION RE: COUNTYWIDE PLAN

M Mrs. Karin Urquhart of the League of Women Voters of Central Marin read a letter from the League urging the City of San Anselmo to adopt the three basic goals of the Countywide plan and urged acceptance of goals and policies which will enhance the implementation of San Anselmo's own General Plan now being developed.

M/S Blinder, Perry to approve the goals stated as follows:

Goal #1: Discourage rapid or disruptive population growth limiting it to San Anselmo's expressed density limitations but encourage social and economic diversity within neighborhoods and the county as a whole to the extent that the latter is not in conflict with the city's General Plan.

Goal #2: Achieve greater economic balance for Marin by increasing the number of jobs and the supply of housing for people who will hold them to the extent consistent with the city's General Plan.

Goal #3: Achieve high quality in the natural and built environments, through a balanced system of transportation (arresting continued highway and road expansion), open space and land use.

Mayor Perry requested the following amendment which was accepted by Councilman Blinder that it is understood from the material submitted that there are no specific commitments within the area of San Anselmo by the adoption of these goals. Passed unanimously.

c h. RECOMMENDATIONS OF STREETS AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

Status & Current Recommendations of Committee: Mr. Garth M. Stanton, Chairman of the committee went through his report item by item. They recommended a street guard on Butterfield Road for the school. Councilman Anderson said there probably will not be any money in the budget for a crossing guard and suggested that the parents schedule the work amongst themselves.

M/S Capurro, Stewart that Mr. Kaepfel be authorized to direct the Chief of Police to come up with a student or someone to act as a crossing guard at Rutherford Avenue and Butterfield Rd. for the remainder of the school term. Passed unanimously.

c i. GENERAL PLAN COMMITTEE

1. Call for volunteers: There is a need for people to serve on the General Plan Committee, according to Pieter Toal, especially in the areas of safety, noise and conservation

2. Statement of goals (for adoption): Held over-the next agenda

3. Who will write the elements for General Plan: Held over-the next agenda

c j. ELM LEAF BEETLES

The City Council decided to take no action on this matter unless the trees show they are being heavily attacked with bugs.

s k-1 REPORT ON MEETING WITH SCHOOL DISTRICT RE: Isabel Cook School (Dr. Blinder)

Dr. Blinder stated that the City Council must determine what the area requirements are in sq. ft. for the different departments. Perhaps Isabel Cook would provide more space than is needed if the Fire Department is not included due to consolidation.

c k-2 IMPLEMENTATION OF GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS (Dr. Blinder)

The City Council must first decide which direction to go and try to determine what other sites could be considered. There should be a comparison of the costs of Isabel Cook School to other sites. This particular site looks too big and too costly- especially if the Fire Department goes on its own. Councilman Anderson said it would be better to wait until after the Fairfax election and then see what the Fire Department will be doing. Councilman Blinder said there must be a determination of how much space is needed and what we will need later on.

1. SENIOR CITIZENS BUDGET, 1973-74 - Held off until the budget sessions.

m. REPORT ON TOMPKINS HOUSE PHOTOGRAPHS (Dr. Blinder)

Councilman Blinder stated he had been promised some rare, old photographs of San Anselmo as he reported at a previous City Council meeting but they have since disappeared.

n. MARIN COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Mr. Kaepfel was asked to write to John F. Barrows, County Administrator regarding his report on the Marin County Legislative Program - 1973 and state that in the area of Bills to be Introduced, Section A, Items 8 and 9, the Council felt that since the blood sample is the most accurate test, it should not be eliminated. Under Item 13 in Section B, they were in favor of legislation allowing counties the right to require annexation of properties to neighboring cities as a pre-condition of development.

o. NOMINATIONS FOR "OUTSTANDING SENIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR"

Councilman Capurro nominated Frank Quinn. Nominations were declared closed. Mr. Frank Quinn will be notified of the nomination.

p. REQUEST FOR PREPARATION OF PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND BIDS FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

Mr. Leitzell added item "D" to his Council Action Memo of March 8, 1973 - subject, Emergency Help for Work Overload, with Item D being STORM DRAINAGE REPAIRS.

M/S Anderson, Capurro to authorize the Director of Public Works to negotiate with Hoffman and Albritton, on the preparation of the requested Plans, Specifications and Estimates - Item A through D in the Council Action Memo of March 8 as follows:

- A. 1973 - 1974 Street Improvements, Plans, Specifications & Estimates
- B. Hub Irrigation system; Plans, Specifications and Estimates
- C. Hub Parking Lot; Plans, Specifications & Estimates
- D. Storm Damage Repairs

Passed unanimously.

q. FINAL PAYMENT ON ROBSON PARK PLAY AREA

M/S Stewart, Blinder to make final payment in the amount of \$962.36 to Paul Selinger for completion of the Robson-Harrington Park play area. Passed unanimously.

r. COST-OF-LIVING INCREASE IN RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE FOR PERSONS RETIRED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1971 No action taken - item turned over to the City Attorney.

s. RESOLUTIONS

1. Correcting Resolution 1252 as to acceptance of Luna Lane: Mr. Kaepfel read the Resolution in full. M/S Anderson, Blinder to adopt Resolution No. 1446. Passed unan.

2. Resolution reaffirming, readopting, and ratifying actions and proceedings of the San Anselmo City Council, during the 1972 calendar year: Mr. Kaepfel read the Resolution in full. M/S Capurro, Stewart to adopt Resolution No. 1447. Passed unan.

3. Applying for eligibility to the sale of flood insurance under the National Flood Insurance Program: M/S Anderson, Blinder to waive further reading. Passed unanimously. M/S Anderson, Stewart to adopt Resolution No. 1448. Passed unanimously.

4. Applying for funds for flood damage restoration: M/S Anderson, Blinder to adopt Resolution No. 1449. Passed unanimously.

t. ORDINANCE: Subdivision appeals (1st. reading) - Item held over

u. CONSENT AGENDA - M/S Blinder, Anderson to approve the Consent Agenda. Passed unan.

- 1. Promulgation of eligible list, Fire Captain & Lieutenant
- 2. Appointment of Fire Captain - Marty Marcucci
- 3. Appointment of Fire Lieutenant - Leroy Bennetts
- 4. Minutes of February 27, 1973
- 5. Claims & Demands - Res. No. 1445- February

Mayor Perry brought up the matter of San Anselmo's policy regarding fire and police protection in unincorporated areas. The Fire Chief was present and the Council was in favor of a letter being sent to the Board of Supervisors (so they will have official notification) restating in part San Anselmo's policy. A letter written by Mayor Perry included the following statements:

- 1. The City of San Anselmo will not provide first-call response for fire or police protection to the unincorporated areas.
- 2. Calls received from the unincorporated areas for City aid will be relayed to the County. Only at such time as the County has responded itself, and found that its own equipment or personnel is unable to provide the needed protection, will the city respond. This statement does not reflect any change in existing policy but outlines what protection County residents may expect from the City. The letter was not intended to encompass the objections on the Schenk proposal but is directed to the single issue of police and fire protection.