



**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES
Wednesday, August 28, 2024**

Call to Order/Roll Call

1:05 PM

EDC MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Deborah Robertson
Councilmember Ed Scott

CITY/AGENCY STAFF PRESENT

Robert Messinger, Deputy City Attorney
Michael Milhiser, City Manager
Tanya Williams, Assistant City Manager
Colby Cataldi, Director of Community Development
Paul Gonzales, Community Development Manager
Timothy Sullivan, Director of Maintenance and Facilities
Vicente Giron, Engineering Manager
Sandra Robles, Senior Planner
Kim Dame, Administrative Analyst

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES – None

REPORTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

EDC-24-1666

General Plan Update Presentation for the Land Use, Safety, Circulation and Environmental Justice Elements (Master Case No. 2023-019).

Presented by Paul Gonzales

Committee Comments/Questions/Recommendations:

Paul Gonzales reminded EDC members that on December of 2022, the City of Rialto started working with Dudek to develop four key elements for the General Plan – Land Use, Safety, Circulation and Environmental Justice. Mr. Gonzales reminded staff that the document being reviewed is a draft document that can be updated and adjusted as

needed. Henry Eckold, a consultant with Dudek, took over and went over each element in detail.

There were five speakers present:

Kimberly Carretero spoke in favor of the General Plan Update (GPU).

Claudia Cuevas, a representative of the Unified School District for Eisenhower High School, spoke in favor of the GPU.

Luis Cuevas, a 10-year resident, spoke in favor of the GPU.

Ana Gonzalez spoke on behalf of the Community Advisory Committee and spoke in favor of the GPU.

Marvin Norman, a member of the Community Advisory Committee, spoke in favor of the GPU.

Mayor Robertson thanked all the speakers for being present and providing their feedback. Mayor Robertson called out the map on page 68 and would like the most updated one reflected. She also inquired if food deserts have been identified within the City of Rialto. Mr. Eckold advised that there is a map on page 9-37 that depicted supermarket access. Mayor Robertson also asked about fire zones and setbacks within the City of Rialto. Colby Cataldi stated that there are fire maps located within the safety element.

EDC-24-1676

Zoning Code Amendment (ZCA) No. 2024-0002 – an Ordinance amending Chapter 11.22.090 of Chapter 11.22 “Wireless Telecommunications Facilities in the Public Right-of-Way” and adding Section 18.111.100 to Chapter 18.111 “Wireless Telecommunications Facilities” of the Rialto Municipal Code and “Guidelines for Batch Broadband Permit Processing”.

Presented by Sandra Robles

Committee Comments/Questions/Recommendations:

Sandra Robles advised that the proposed amendments for Chapter 11.22 would grant the City authority to revoke a permit for a telecommunications facility if the operator does not address an identified issue, fails to comply with noise standards, and abandons or ceases the use.

Ms. Robles continued that the proposed amendment to Chapter 18.111 will add the section “Operation and Maintenance Standards” to ensure that telecommunication facilities comply. The proposed amendment to this chapter will complement language that has already been adopted for facilities within the public right-of-way. Ms. Robles also advised that the request also included the adoption of “Guidelines for Batch Broadband

Permit Processing”. In 2023 Assembly Bill 965 was signed into law to require cities to process “batch broadband permit processing” when the City receives two or more broadband permits in substantially similar broadband project sites and the projects are submitted to the City at the same time by the same applicant.

EDC-24-1655

Request Feedback from the Economic Development Committee to Appropriate \$1,500,000 from the Capital Projects Fund 300 and Delegate Authority to the City Manager or their Designee to Approve Contract Change Orders in the Cumulative Amount of \$1,500,000 for the Various Streets Phase II, City Project No. 240802. (ACTION)

Presented by Tim Sullivan

Committee Comments/Questions/Recommendations:

Tim Sullivan advised that when items were presented to City Council in April, staff had asked for additional money in contingency to address additional street segments. Mr. Sullivan proposed the four areas to be improved upon. The money that would be used for this proposed project is currently in the capital improvement project from various sources, “leftover cash” from the Various Streets Phase II.

Mayor Robertson inquired about the intersection at Lilac and Randall Avenue and the reassessment of the street crossings and light signals. Mr. Sullivan advised that the improvements were done about two years ago. Councilmember Scott noted that the lighting in the area should also be looked at.

EDC-24-1664

Pacific Electric Rail Museum Project

Presented by Colby Cataldi

Committee Comments/Questions/Recommendations:

Colby Cataldi brought forward this item as requested by Councilmember Scott in the previous EDC meeting. Councilmember Scott asked for an update as to where the project stood. Mr. Cataldi advised that an architect needs to be hired to develop the programming and scoping of the project and to come up with the conceptual costs on what the renovation would look like. A café/coffee shop type of food service was being considered to supplement the primary use of the museum and could service the trail users.

Councilmember Scott inquired about the funding for this project. Mr. Cataldi stated that some money would come from sale proceeds from former successor agency properties, however federal and state grants will be considered as possible funding sources.

Mayor Robertson questioned when this project would move forward to council and wanted to know when the trail is going to be finished. Mr. Cataldi advised that the funds to complete the trail are available through a grant.

Upcoming Meetings/Other Discussion Items:

The next EDC meeting will be scheduled for September 25, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 2:41 p.m.