CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE

City Council Minutes

Regular Meeting - December 20, 2005

A Regular Meeting of the San Clemente City Council was called to order on December 20, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, located at 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, California.

MEETING RECESSED - LACK OF CLOSED SESSION

There being no Closed Sessions to be conducted, City Clerk Erway recessed the meeting to 6:30 p.m.

MEETING CONVENED

Council convened at 6:30 p.m., with all members present.

PRESENT

ANDERSON, DAHL, KNOBLOCK, RITSCHEL, MAYOR

EGGLESTON

ABSENT

NONE

STAFF PRESENT

George Scarborough, City Manager; Jeff Oderman, City Attorney; Myrna Erway, City Clerk; Joanne Baade, Deputy

City Clerk.

1. <u>INTERVIEWS AND APPOINTMENTS</u>

A. Orange County Vector Control Board

City Clerk Erway announced that the vacancy on the Orange County Vector Control Board was advertised and Councilmember Anderson applied for reappointment. No other applications were received.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KNOBLOCK, SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, CARRIED 4-0-1 (COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON ABSTAINING), to appoint Councilmember Anderson to fill a vacancy on the Orange County Vector Control Board for a term to expire December 31, 2007.

B. <u>Downtown Business Association Board of Directors</u>

City Clerk Erway announced that the vacancy on the Downtown Business Association Board of Directors was advertised and John Tengdin applied for re-appointment. No other applications were received.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER RITSCHEL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON, CARRIED 5-0, to reappoint John Tengdin as the City's representative (voting member) to the Downtown Business Association Board of Directors and appoint Mayor Eggleston to the DBA as a liaison (non-voting) member, for terms to expire December 31, 2006.

C. <u>Appointment of Representatives to Various Regional Commissions, Boards and Committees</u>

MOTION BY MAYOR EGGLESTON, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER KNOBLOCK, CARRIED 5-0, to appoint City representatives to regional Committees and Commissions as follows:

Committee/Commission	Representatives
California Coastal Coalition/Offshore Oil/Desalinization	Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem
City/CUSD Liaison Committee	Knoblock/Dahl (alt.)
Coastal Animal Services Authority (CASA)	Dahl/Eggleston (alt.)
Downtown Business Association Board of Directors	John Tengdin (voting member) Eggleston (non-voting liaison)
Economic Development	Anderson and Eggleston
GMA 11 (Measure M \$ Allocation)	Anderson
Investment Advisory Committee	Anderson
Landmarks Preservation Task Force	Dahl and Eggleston
League of Cities	
- O.C. Monthly	All Council
- City Selection	Mayor
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Legislative Delegate Program

Representative to Senate District 38 Representative to 73rd Assembly District

Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem

Liquefied Natural Gas Project (LNG)

Ritschel and Anderson

O.C. Emergency Operational Area Council

Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem

O.C. Fire Authority JPA

Knoblock/Ritschel (alt.)

O.C. Library Task Force

Ritschel/Knoblock (alt.)

O.C. Sr. Citizens Advisory Council Transportation Committee

Ray Kunkel

O.C. Vector Control

Anderson

Donna O'Neill Conservancy

Leon Baginski

Regional Landfill Options for O.C. Committee (RELOOC)

(Council recommends that the Orange

County Board ofSupervisors appoint Councilmember

City's

Knoblock as the representative)

Shorecliffs Neighborhood Residential Bulk & Massing Study Task Force

Anderson and Ritschel

Social Service/Community Service Budget Committee

Knoblock

South Orange County Association of Mayors

Mayor

South Orange County Rail Working Group (SOCRWG)

Anderson and Ritschel

Talega Joint Powers Authority (JPAT)

Anderson, Dahl and Eggleston

Transportation Corridor JPA (San Joaquin) Transportation Corridor JPA (Foothill) Transportation Corridor JPA (Board) Transportation Corridor (Ciñco Cities)

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Wall of Recognition

Anderson

INVOCATION

Don Kappauf, Orange County Sheriff's Chaplain, gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Knoblock led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. <u>SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS</u>

A. Holiday Serenade

The San Onofre School Choir, under the direction of Julie Kosinski, provided a Holiday Serenade. Barbara Barnes, Principal.

2. MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON, CARRIED 5-0, to waive reading in full of all Resolutions and Ordinances.

REORDERING OF AGENDA

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON, CARRIED 5-0, to move New Business Items 8-A and 8-B, as well as Public Hearing Item 6-B, to the portion of the agenda immediately following the Consent Calendar.

3. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AGENDIZING ITEMS REQUIRING IMMEDIATE ACTION</u>

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (PART ONE)

None.

INTRODUCTION OF SAM PENROD, HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER

City Manager Scarborough introduced Sam Penrod, the City's new Human Resources Manager.

Human Resources Manager Penrod stated that it is a privilege to join the City's staff and reviewed his professional experience.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER RITSCHEL, CARRIED 5-0, to approve the Consent Calendar with the removal of Items 5-D and 5-G for discussion, and the deletion of Item 5-H from the agenda.

A. <u>City Council Minutes</u>

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER RITSCHEL, CARRIED 5-0, to approve the City Council minutes of November 29, 2005.

- B. MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER RITSCHEL, CARRIED 5-0, to receive and file:
 - (1) Zoning Administrator meeting minutes of December 7, 2005.
 - (2) Planning Commission minutes of December 7, 2005.

C. Warrant Register

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER RITSCHEL, CARRIED 5-0, to approve Wire Transfer No. 360 and Warrant Nos. 771761 through 771861 for the period 11-21-05 through 11-25-05 in the amount of \$456,490.43; approve Wire Transfers Nos. 361 through 362 and Warrant Nos. 771862 through 772048 for the period 11-28-05 through 12-2-05 in the amount of \$1,976,825.13; for a total Warrant Register of \$2,433,315.56.

Payroll Register

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER RITSCHEL, CARRIED 5-0, to approve Warrant Nos. 317145 through 317191, Automatic Deposit Advises 138135 through 138343 for the period 11-7-05 through 11-20-05 in the amount of \$391,963.85; for a total Payroll Register of \$391,963.85.

E. <u>Notice of Completion - Annual Street Slurry Sealing Program for FY</u> 2005-06

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER RITSCHEL, CARRIED 5-0, to:

- 1. Accept the Annual Street Slurry Sealing Program from the contractor, American Asphalt South, Inc. Contract C05-50
- 2. Authorize the Mayor to execute, and the City Clerk to record, the Notice of Completion for the Annual Street Slurry Sealing Program.

F. <u>Notices of Completion - Street Improvement Project Nos. 15301</u> through 15310 in the Riviera District

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER RITSCHEL, CARRIED 5-0, to:

- 1. Accept the following street improvement projects: Avenida de la Riviera, Project No. 15301; Calle Majorca, Project No. 15302; Calle Monte Carlo, Project No. 15303; Calle Monaco, Project No. 15304; Calle Monte Cristo, Project No. 15305; Plaza a la Playa, Project No. 15306; Calle Capri, Project No. 15307; Calle Las Palmas, Project No. 15308; Calle Madiera, Project No. 15309; Avenida La Costa, Project No. 15310.
- 2. Authorize the Mayor to execute, and the City Clerk to record, the Notices of Completion for the following street improvement projects: Avenida de la Riviera, Project No. 15301; Calle Majorca, Project No. 15302; Calle Monte Carlo, Project No. 15303; Calle Monaco, Project No. 15304; Calle Monte Cristo, Project No. 15305; Plaza a la Playa, Project No. 15306; Calle Capri, Project No. 15307; Calle Las Palmas, Project No. 15308; Calle Madiera, Project No. 15309; Avenida La Costa, Project No. 15310. Contract C04-53

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION

D. <u>Partial Reimbursement to Talega Associates, LLC - Vista Hermosa</u> <u>Interchange Funding Advance</u>

Following clarifications, MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER RITSCHEL, CARRIED 5-0, to:

- 1. Approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$277,400 from Account 020-419-43691, Developer Reimbursement.
- 2. Authorize payment of \$277,400 to Talega Associates.

G. Contract Award - On-Call Inspection Services

In response to Council inquiry, City Engineer Cameron advised that the hourly rate that would be paid to RPO is less than the going rate, MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER RITSCHEL, SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, CARRIED 5-0, to approve, and authorize the Mayor to execute, Contract C05-67 by and between the City of San Clemente and RPO Consulting, Inc., relating to on-call inspection services.

H. Marblehead Coastal Legal Document Execution

This item was removed from the agenda at the request of Staff.

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

A. <u>In-N-Out Burger - General Plan Amendment 04-169/Zoning Amendment 04-170/Site Plan Permit 04-171/Architectural Permit 04-172/Conditional Use Permit 04-174/Discretionary Sign Permit 05-134/Minor Exception Permit 04-189</u>

Public Hearing to consider a request to allow construction of a new 3,348 square-foot fast-food restaurant with drive-through facilities at 620 Avenida Pico, the legal description of the subject property being Parcel 2 of Parcel Map Book 53-7. The proposed project would also involve the demolition of an existing dine-in restaurant on the subject property (Carrow's). Amendments to the City's Zoning Ordinance and General Plan are required to allow for the proposed restaurant use on the subject property; the proposed amendments would also apply to the adjacent properties at 600 and 650 Avenida Pico.

This item was considered later in the meeting. Please refer to Page 14 of these minutes for a summary of that action.

B. Weed Abatement Billing 2005

Public Hearing to consider protests or objections to the costs of the abatement of weeds, rubbish, refuse and dirt upon streets, sidewalks, parkways and private property within the City of San Clemente and to the assignment of these costs to the properties on which the abatement was completed.

Code Compliance Manager Montoya reviewed the contents of the Administrative Report.

Council noted that administrative costs are currently charged to each non-compliant lot regardless of size and requested that Staff analyze the possibility of assessing administrative charges based on lot square footages. City Manager Scarborough stated that Staff will provide a report to Council that explains how administrative charges are determined and distributed.

Mayor Eggleston opened and closed the Public Hearing, there being no one desiring to speak to this issue.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON, SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, CARRIED 5-0, to approve the Weed Abatement report and authorize the Weed Abatement Contract Administrator to bill the property owners the amounts indicated in the report.

7. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

8. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. Traffic Calming Policy and Resource Manual

Report from the Public Works/Economic Development Director concerning a proposed San Clemente Traffic Calming Policy and Resource Manual.

Principal Transportation Engineer Hindiyeh narrated a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Traffic Calming Policy & Resource Manual". A hard copy of Mr. Hindiyeh's presentation, dated December 20, 2005, is on file with the City Clerk.

Scott Bacsikin, of Willdan, detailed the traffic calming process that is set forth in a flow chart on Page 3 of the proposed San Clemente Traffic Calming Policy and Resource Manual. The four major steps proposed to be followed when considering traffic calming measures are as follows:

- 1. Plan Initiation
- 2. Plan Development
- 3. Neighborhood Support
- 4. City Council Approval and Implementation

During the course of discussion, Council indicated concern with the regimental point system contained in the chart for determining eligibility for traffic calming tools (refer to Page 5 of the Manual). Council indicated that a level of subjectivity should be incorporated into the system. Additionally, Council requested that tests be completed that will help the City assess the effectiveness of the program after nine months.

Kellie Bieber, San Clemente, conveyed support for a subjective point system; stated that Ola Vista is a collector street and expressed doubt that it would qualify for traffic calming measures if it only receives one point for every 100 vehicles over 1,500 in one day; opined that one point for every nonfatal crash and five points for every fatal crash in a five-year period is unreasonable; requested that the point system be revisited.

Bob Wallin, San Clemente, stated that uniform criteria already exist to determine traffic matters, such as signal placement and crosswalk locations, and voiced concern with the incorporation of subjective points; disagreed that funds should be spent to pursue the subject proposal; stated that the speed limit on Calle Del Cerro is 35 MPH, but opined that the 85th percentile speed is around 50 MPH; voiced concern that police officers are enforcing the 35 MPH speed limit on Del Cerro instead of focusing enforcement in areas where safety problems exist.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER KNOBLOCK, CARRIED 5-0, to:

- 1. Adopt the San Clemente Traffic Calming Policy and Resource Manual. Staff is to create a category for collector streets that have direct residential access, and return to Council with data to define subjective determinations.
- 2. Direct Staff to include funding in the FY 2006/07 budget for the implementation of the Traffic Calming Program. Staff is to report back to Council in nine months relative to the effectiveness of the program.
- 3. Evaluate the funding of any Traffic Calming Program that is presented to the Council during the current fiscal year on a case-by-case basis.

B. Avenida Vista Hermosa Traffic Noise Concerns

Report from the Public Works/Economic Development Director concerning traffic noise concerns on Avenida Vista Hermosa and Camino Vera Cruz.

Principal Transportation Engineer Hindiyeh narrated a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Vista Hermosa Traffic Noise Concerns" and responded to Council inquiries. A hard copy of Mr. Hindiyeh's presentation, dated December 20, 2005, is on file with the City Clerk.

Council requested that the jake brake signs on the uphill side of Vista Hermosa be relocated to the downhill side.

Nolan Woods, San Clemente, stated that speed surveys to determine the 85th speed percentile are only necessary if a City plans to use radar to aid in enforcement; suggested that the City can lower the speed limit to 25 MPH if it wishes to do so.

William Wood, San Clemente, stated there are only two routes out of Talega and urged that La Pata be extended to relieve traffic on Vista Hermosa.

Don Bloyer, San Clemente, stated that the noise on Vista Hermosa is excessive and expressed concern that truck traffic wakes him up at 5:00 a.m.

<u>Frederick Price</u>, San Clemente, urged that Council reduce the speed limit on Vista Hermosa and regulate the hours during which trucks can operate on the street; spoke in support of the acquisition of two new radar trailers.

Jennifer Burns, San Clemente, described the noise that she experiences at her home at the corner of Vista Hermosa and Frontera; stated that her children have trouble hearing her speak and voiced further concern that the noise makes it difficult to sleep.

Joe Gildner, San Clemente, suggested that rubberized pavement will help reduce the noise, but opined that vehicle speed and truck traffic also need to be addressed; suggested the possibility of diverting truck traffic to Avenida Pico.

Gregg Lipanovich, San Clemente, pointed out that an application to allow an In-N-Out Burger on Avenida Pico appears on this evening's agenda; suggested that the approval of that operation will essentially shut down Pico, thereby adding to the usage of Vista Hermosa.

Neil Burns, San Clemente, urged Council to exercise due diligence and examine all factors that affect quality of life; stated that the City did not commission any noise impact studies for the area.

In response to Council inquiry, Lt. Hunt agreed to investigate whether grants are available for radar signs and trailers.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON, SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, CARRIED 5-0, to:

- Continue Police enforcement on Avenida Vista Hermosa as a target priority.
- 2. Direct Staff to return to a future Council meeting concerning the possibility of utilizing a commercial enforcement unit on a shared basis with Lake Forest.
- 3. Include funding in the FY 2006-07 budget for the installation of electronic radar speed signs.
- 4. Include Avenida Vista Hermosa for traffic calming implementation review.
- 5. Monitor the traffic signals synchronization and refine the timing as needed.
- 6. Utilize a rubberized surface in the future paving of Avenida Vista Hermosa.
- 7. Continue working with developers to recommend alternate routes for their material suppliers and their hours of delivery.
- 8. Restrict the construction truck route of the proposed Vista Hermosa Sport Complex to Avenida Pico and Avenida La Pata.

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- 9. Direct Staff to pursue, both with CalTrans as well as an independent study, the prospect of restricting truck traffic on Vista Hermosa between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.
- 10. Direct Staff to analyze and report back to Council relative to the feasibility of reducing the speed on Vista Hermosa from Camino Vera Cruz to the I-5 to 35 MPH.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KNOBLOCK, SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, CARRIED 5-0, to direct Staff to report back to Council at the next meeting with a funding appropriation to accommodate the immediate purchase of two radar trailers.

MEETING RECESSED

Council recessed at 9:30 p.m. and reconvened at 9:37 p.m., with all members present.

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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Assistant Planner Cunningham narrated a PowerPoint presentation entitled "In-N-Out Burger - Proposed Fast-Food Restaurant with Drive-Through Facilities at 620 Avenida Pico" and responded to Council inquiries. A hard copy of Mr. Cunningham's presentation is on file with the City Clerk.

Senior Transportation Engineer Hindiyeh narrated a PowerPoint presentation entitled "In-N-Out Burger Traffic Analysis" and responded to Council inquiries. A hard copy of Mr. Hindiyeh's presentation, dated December 20, 2005, is on file with the City Clerk.

Council posed questions and received responses from Staff relative to the following: Findings and assumptions associated with the traffic analysis that was conducted; the project's anticipated traffic generation; circulation patterns; Avenida Pico's capacity level; the project's impact on the level of service on Pico and the I-5 intersection; Pico driveway cuts and the amount of friction caused by each additional cut; In-N-Out's hours of operation in relationship to Pico's peak traffic hours; driveway design; queuing of cars in the drive-through; possibility of some traffic being diverted from McDonald's to In-N-Out; danger associated with traffic weaving (lane changes) on Pico as vehicles turn into the Mobil service station, In-N-Out and McDonald's; potential that the existence of a McDonald's next to an In-N-Out could be synergistic and actually increase business for both; possibility of traffic bottlenecking on Pico; adequacy of the proposed driveway width; conflict associated with persons making a right turn as they exit the drive-through window and vehicles entering the property; concern that vehicles exiting the parking stalls near the entrance would conflict with vehicles entering the property; on-site traffic management; odor abatement; possible future improvements to Pico, I-5, and the I-5 ramps; and future planned development that will impact Pico's traffic levels.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON, CARRIED 5-0, to continue the meeting past 11:00 p.m.

Mayor Eggleston opened the Public Hearing.

John Puente, on behalf of In-N-Out Burger, stated that patrons will become accustomed to the on-site and off-site circulation, noting that In-N-Out will have additional associates on site for the first few months, and longer if necessary, to help people adjust to the site; explained that In-N-Out agreed to delete the freeway sign, adding that this particular In-N-Out will be a neighborhood restaurant; stated that In-N-Out does not open until 10:30 a.m. and hence will not impact Pico's early morning peak traffic; explained that In-N-Out's peak hours are from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. versus Pico's peak hour of 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.; commented that the possibility of installing aroma scrubbers on the roof will need to be looked at in detail because of

architecture and roof compromises that have been made, but explained that other alternatives can also be analyzed; stated that they do not have diversion statistics because only a couple In-N-Outs are located next to similar operations; distributed photographs of internally illuminated signage that is similar to the type that In-N-Out wants to install; stated the City's current sign ordinance does not specifically restrict the use of internally illuminated signage; reviewed In-N-Out's corporate identification signage and opined that its use will not detract from the building's architecture; requested that Conditions of Approval relating to trash mitigation and scrubber/grease trap usage be deferred to enable the Conditions to be crafted between the parties before Council approval.

In response to Council inquiry, <u>Fred Encinas</u>, Director of Real Estate for In-N-Out Burger, stated that their Studio City restaurant has one entrance and one exit; stated that customers train themselves on ingress and egress procedures; stated that the La Mirada restaurant was compared with the Pico site because of similar characteristics, such as proximity to the I-5, size, and retail/industrial surroundings; stated that McDonald's implements a recovery effort when sales fall, which could include playlands, etc.; noted that In-N-Out has a limited menu.

<u>Scott Bacsikin</u>, of Willdan, (In-N-Out's traffic consultant), cited queuing statistics experienced at various In-N-Out locations for which he is familiar, explaining that the number at those sites ranges from 16 to 17.

In response to Council inquiry, John Puente stated that In-N-Out would agree to utilize the City's preferred signage style if it can install its desired signage on the side of the building most visible to the freeway.

Tony Ellwood, San Clemente, referenced that he submitted a letter concerning the project to the City; commented that the project will cause a dramatic increase in traffic; opined that Carrow's restaurant should remain since it serves a general cross-section of the community and it desires to stay at its current location; urged Council to deny the proposal.

Mayor Eggleston announced that he received a speaker card from <u>Penny Christian</u>, which indicated that she did not wish to address Council, but wanted to go on record as opposing the Pico location.

Gregg Lipanovich, San Clemente, urged Council to reject the application and allow Carrow's to renew its lease; voiced concern with traffic levels on Pico as well as the way the traffic is configured; disagreed that queuing capability for 17 cars is sufficient since he observed over 20 cars queued at the In-N-Out near Avery during his past two visits; voiced concern that cars entering In-N-Out will back up onto Pico.

Patricia Watt, San Clemente, opined that the proposed In-N-Out will cause gridlock on Pico; voiced concern that approval of the application will jeopardize safety; noted the difficulty associated with entering Pico from McDonald's and questioned how traffic will egress In-N-Out.

<u>Diana Hammer</u>, San Clemente, questioned whether Council has considered the air pollution that will be caused by idling cars that are in line at In-N-Out; voiced concern that In-N-Out will generate litter and conveyed support for Carrow's.

<u>Bob Wallin</u>, San Clemente, stated that while he enjoys In-N-Out Burger, he thinks that the proposed location is inappropriate; suggested that a firm be retained to provide a second opinion about the project's traffic impact; opined that there are too many fast-food establishments on Pico.

<u>Peter Supko</u>, San Clemente, stated that the problem with the Pico location is due to the complexity of the area (which includes a service station, two fast-food restaurants, and a high school); voiced concern that younger, relatively inexperienced, drivers will contribute to the danger.

Walt Stringfellow, San Clemente, stated that he would support an In-N-Out in San Clemente, but not at the location being considered because the subject segment of Pico is already problematic; voiced opposition to the placement of an In-N-Out at the end of the freeway off-ramp.

There being no others desiring to speak to this issue, the Public Hearing was closed.

Individual Councilmember(s) expressed opinions as follows:

- 1. Concern about the conflict of traffic at the entrance to the proposed business.
- 2. The area is too complex for the proposed operation.
- 3. Traffic on Pico will increase with future inland development and the opening of the La Pata/Vista Hermosa Community Park.
- 4. The subject site is very close to the I-5 interchange.
- 5. The Spanish Colonial Revival design of the project is beautiful.
- 6. Personal observations on Pico need to be considered in addition to the traffic statistics.
- 7. Two competing businesses next to each other could result in a synergy that will increase business for both.
- 8. The situation of an In-N-Out at the proposed location will result in a worsening of the weaving situation on Pico.
- 9. It is important to make decisions that mitigate traffic when a trafficgenerator is approved and that has not occurred in this case.
- 10. Creating a Service Level D on Pico is problematic.
- 11. While the Pico location is inappropriate for an In-N-Out Burger, there are other locations in San Clemente that would be suitable.
- 12. San Clemente is business friendly and does not want to create traffic congestion that will cause people to avoid the area and, consequently, negatively affect businesses.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON, SECOND BY MAYOR EGGLESTON, CARRIED 4-1 (MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL VOTING NOE), to deny the project and request that Staff return to Council with the documentation necessary to amend the Zoning Code and General Plan as requested by Staff. A resolution of denial that embodies Council's reasons for denying the project will be submitted to Council at the next meeting.

C. 2006 Special Meeting Schedule - Budget, Commissions/Committees, and Community Development Department Customer Service

Report from the City Clerk concerning the Council meeting schedule for 2006.

Council confirmed the FY 2006-07 Special Meeting Schedule as contained in the Administrative Report, dated December 20, 2005, with modifications as follows:

- 1. The Community Development Department Customer Service Workshop was changed from January 31, 2006 to January 30, 2006.
- 2. The Vital Few Priorities Workshop was changed from March 1, 2006 to March 6, 2006.
- 3. The Budget Workshops were changed from May 23 and May 24, 2006 to May 22 and May 23, 2006.

Council deferred making a decision on whether to continue the Joint Council/Commissions/Committees Meetings until following this year's budget sessions.

9. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (PART TWO)

10. REPORTS

A. <u>Commissions</u> and Committees

(1) Resignation of Stephanie Walton from the Human Affairs Committee

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER RITSCHEL, CARRIED 5-0, to:

- 1. Accept the resignation of Stephanie Walton from the Human Affairs Committee with regret.
- 2. Defer filling the vacancy until other Committee and Commission terms expire on June 30, 2006.

B. <u>City Manager</u>

None.

C. City Attorney

None.

D. <u>Council Members</u>

(1) <u>Council Position on Orange County Division, California League of Cities Issues.</u>

Councilmember Anderson noted that he is Council's representative to the Measure M Committee that is involved with the League of Cities; reviewed the proposed project list associated with the Measure M renewal and distributed copies of the list to Council.

(2) <u>Council Position on Legislative Issues.</u>

(3) Orange County Fire Authority Status Update.

None.

(4) San Clemente-Dana Point Animal Services Authority.

Mayor Pro Tem Dahl reported on animals available for adoption at the San Clemente-Dana Point Animal Shelter; thanked the veterinarians, staff and volunteers of the shelter; reminded citizens to obtain licenses for their dogs; stated the Wag-a-Thon will be held on March 11, 2006.

(5) Transportation Corridor Agencies Status Report.

Mayor Pro Tem Dahl advised that a Public Hearing concerning the Draft EIR for the Foothill/South Transportation Corridor will be held on January 12, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. at the Mission Viejo City Hall; explained that the meeting will be continued to January 19, 2006.

(6) Councilmember Items.

Tsunami Readiness

Mayor Pro Tem Dahl requested that Staff investigate the program that the City of Dana Point utilized to become certified in tsunami readiness. Additionally, Staff is to provide a tray memo describing San Clemente's readiness plan.

11. RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES

12. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON, CARRIED 5-0, to adjourn at 12:30 a.m. to an Adjourned Regular Meeting to be held on **January 10, 2006** in the Council Chambers, located at 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, California. Closed Session items will be discussed at 6:00 p.m. The General Session will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Note: The City Council meetings during the month of January 2006 will be held on the <u>second</u> and <u>fourth</u> Tuesdays, January 10, 2006 and January 24, 2006.

CITY CLERK of the City of

San Clemente, California

MAYOR of the City of San Clemente, California