

**PLACENTIA CITY COUNCIL
PLACENTIA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
PLACENTIA INDUSTRIAL COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
ADJOURNED TOWN HALL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 3, 2011
5:30 p.m. – City Council Chambers
401 E. Chapman Avenue, Placentia, CA**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor/Chair Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Council/Agency Members Nelson, Yamaguchi, Aguirre, Underhill
ABSENT: Wanke

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator/Executive Director, Troy L. Butzlaff; City Clerk/Agency Secretary, Patrick J. Melia; Director of Administrative and Community Services, Steve Pischel; Chief of Police, Rick Hicks; Neighborhood Services Coordinator, Jeannette Ortega; City Clerk Specialist, Kelliagh Brown; Deputy City Clerk, Tania Moreno

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Senator Bob Huff

I. Opening Remarks/Purpose of Meeting

Mayor/Chair Nelson thanked Officials, Staff, and the public for attending the meeting.

II. Presentation on Proposed Water Rate Increase

Golden State Water Company District Manager Robert Hanford provided a brief PowerPoint presentation. The PowerPoint presentation slides included: 2011 General Rate Case Application Region 3, 2011 General Rate Case, GSWC's Commitments, Who Are We, Rate Case Fundamentals, Breakdown of Region 3 Rate Increase, Major Factors for Increase, Proposed Local Improvements, Proposed New Rates, Helping Customers Manage Bills, Water-Use Efficiency Programs, Helping Customers Most In Need, Public Comments, and Questions.

III. Discussion of the Proposed Water Rate Increase

Senator Bob Huff noted that his office sent a letter to the Public Utilities Commission questioning the magnitude of the proposed water rate increase. He encouraged the public to voice their opinion.

Council thanked Senator Bob Huff, Golden State Water Company, and the public for attending the meeting. They expressed their concerns regarding the proposed water rate increase and advised the public to voice their opinions.

IV. Oral Communications/Public Comments and Questions

The public submitted questions in writing and the Golden State Water Company addressed them.

Meredith Castillo, resident, expressed his concerns regarding the proposed water increase.

Jim Gaffney, resident, expressed his concerns regarding the proposed water increase.

Greg Sowards, resident, expressed his concerns regarding the proposed water increase. He recommended that Council and Staff evaluate alternatives to provide water to residents.

Ron Collar, resident, inquired about what expenses has Golden State Water Company reduced.

Lee King, resident, inquired about the cost of water on his current water bill.

Bonnie Harrington, resident, inquired about the franchise agreement with Golden State Water Company.

Brad Owen, resident, recommended that Council invite the Public Utilities Commission to a future meeting.

Council, Senator Bob Huff and Golden State Water Company District Manager Hanford engaged in a discussion of the proposed water rate increase.

Mayor Pro Tem Yamaguchi directed Staff to submit all questions in writing to Golden State Water Company and requested that the water company respond to all questions in writing, and that Staff posts all answers on the City's website.

V. Closing Remarks

Council encouraged the public to express their concerns in writing.

Mayor Nelson thanked Senator Bob Huff, Council, Golden State Water Company District Manager Hanford, and the public for attending the meeting.

CITY COUNCIL/AGENCY MEMBER REQUESTS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors adjourned at 7:45 p.m. to October 4, 2011.

ATTEST:

SCOTT W. NELSON, MAYOR/AGENCY CLERK



Patrick J. Melia
PATRICK J. MELIA, CITY CLERK/AGENCY SECRETARY