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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE WALNUT CITY COUNCIL,  
WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY,  
AND WALNUT IMPROVEMENT AGENCY  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor King called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** C/Lim led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION:** The invocation was led by Pastor Mark Maki from the Walnut Valley Vineyard Church.

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** COUNCIL/AGENCY MEMBERS: Cartagena, King, Lim, Hall, Sykes  
**ABSENT:** COUNCIL/AGENCY MEMBERS: None

Also present were City Manager Parker; Assistant City Manager Ramos; Finance Director Londo; Community Services Director Rooney; Community Development Director Fox; City Attorney Montgomery; Senior Management Analyst Hamburger; Senior Management Analyst Robinson; Deputy City Engineer Gilbertson; Associate Planner Zingg; Finance Analyst Bowman; Superintendent Linnborn; Management Analyst Orozco; and City Clerk DeDios.

**PRESENTATIONS**

- **Proclamation to Commemorating SCAG 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – to be accepted by C/Sykes**

At the request of M/King, C/Sykes briefly discussed the importance of SCAG and what they accomplish. He thanked the Council for the recognition which will be displayed at the SCAG Office in Los Angeles.

- **Congratulation Certificates to Members of the Walnut High School Solar Car Team for Second Place Win in Dell-Winston School Solar**

M/King recognized the accomplishments of the members of the Solar Car Team and presented them with congratulation certificates.

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- **Introduction of New City Website**

ACM/Ramos introduced the new website for the City of Walnut and provided a brief history. Former staff member Bevin Handel provided a Power Point presentation to the Council showcasing the new redesigned and rebuilt website.

**MINUTES**

**1. Approve Regular City Council Minutes of October 12, 2005.**

**MOTION ON ITEM 1**

*C/Lim made a motion to approve Item 1; seconded by C/Cartagena. Motion carried without objection and so ordered.*

**RECONVENE TO THE MEETING OF THE WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING**

Walnut Housing Authority called to order.

**ORAL COMMUNICATION FOR THE HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Lawrence Reinhold commented on Item 9 and expressed his disapproval of the proposed community information monument sign.

AM/Lim made a motion to close Oral Communications; seconded by AM/Cartagena. Motion carried without objection and so ordered.

**AUTHORITY PUBLIC HEARINGS:**     None scheduled

**AUTHORITY CONSENT CALENDAR:**

2. **Resolution No. 05-09 WHA** - "Resolution of the City of Walnut Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$26,755.37, Demand No. 100151 through No. 100152, Both Inclusive."

**Recommendation:**     That the Authority adopt Resolution No. 05-09 WHA.

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3. **Acceptance of Public Improvements and Release of Bonds for Parcel Map No. 26513 (Walnut Senior Housing, L.L.C.)**

**Recommendation:** That the Housing Authority:

- 1) Accept the public improvements for Parcel Map No. 26513;
- 2) Release the improvement and monumentation bonds; and
- 3) Approve a reduction in the Warranty Bond amount to 12.5% of the estimated cost of the improvements.

**MOTION ON ITEMS 2 and 3**

*VC/Cartagena made a motion to approve Items 2 and 3; seconded by AM/Sykes.  
Motion carried by the following electronic vote:*

**AYES:** *AUTHORITY MEMBERS: Cartagena, Hall, King, Lim, Sykes*  
**NOES:** *AUTHORITY MEMBERS: None*

**AUTHORITY DISCUSSION:** None

**AUTHORITY LATE BUSINESS:** None

**AUTHORITY ADJOURNS TO WALNUT IMPROVEMENT AGENCY MEETING**

**WALNUT IMPROVEMENT AGENCY MEETING**

Walnut Improvement Agency called to order.

**ORAL COMMUNICATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT AGENCY**

There being no input, AM/Lim made a motion to close Oral Communications; seconded by VC/Cartagena. Motion carried without objection and so ordered.

**AGENCY PUBLIC HEARING:** None

**AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR:** None

**DISCUSSION:** None scheduled

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**AGENCY LATE BUSINESS:**                      None

**AGENCY ADJOURNS TO WALNUT CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**WALNUT CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Walnut City Council meeting called to order.

**ORAL COMMUNICATION FOR THE CITY COUNCIL:**

Larry Filbiger expressed his opposition to one of the Mayor's goals to provide a skateboard park in the City.

M/King responded to the comments made.

Phil Bennett spoke on Item 8 and reviewed the letter that he is submitting to the Council regarding a focused EIR on senior housing projects.

Lawrence Reinhold spoke about the proposed apartment complex that will be near his house and felt it would be an issue in the upcoming City Council race.

Shelly Rzonca spoke in favor of the mobile skate park item on the agenda.

C/Lim made a motion to close Oral Communications; seconded by C/Hall. Motion carried without objection and so ordered.

M/King commented on the intent of Oral Communications to allow people to communicate their questions and objections to the Council; however, it is troublesome when it becomes a matter of personal attack or when the record is misrepresented.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**                      None scheduled.

**ORDINANCES:**                      None

**COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR:**

4.        **Resolution No. 05-47** -- "A Resolution of the City of Walnut Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$849,122.91, Demand No. 121281 through No. 121422, Both Inclusive."

**Recommendation:**    That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 05-47.

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5. **Final Acceptance – Valley Boulevard Reconstruction Project**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

- 1) Accept the work performed by Mobassaly Engineering, Inc. and authorize the City Clerk to file the proper "Notice of Completion;"
- 2) Appropriate \$19,100.77 received from Kobes to Capital/Equipment 25 Fund, Account No. 6193;
- 3) Appropriate \$15,951.26 received from First Pacific Partners (pending) to Capital/Equipment 25 Fund, Account No. 6193;
- 4) Appropriate \$24,809.28 received from Verizon to Capital/Equipment 25 Fund, Account No. 6193;
- 5) Appropriate \$3,125.50 received from L. A. County (pending) to Capital/Equipment 25 Fund, Account No. 6193; and
- 6) Appropriate \$448,276.97 received from City of Industry (pending) to Capital/Equipment 25 Fund, Account No. 6193.

6. **Appropriation for Storm Reconstruction Projects (January – February 2005)**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

- 1) Appropriate a total of \$90,550 from the General Fund Balance; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute a purchase order with RKA to complete the storm drain repairs.

7. **Mobile Skate Park**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

- 1) Approve the purchase of the City of West Covina's mobile skate park; and
- 2) Request an appropriation of \$10,050.00 as required for the program.

8. **Clarification on the Preparation of Environmental Documentation for Two Senior Housing Projects**

**Recommendation:** Based on the actions of the Planning Commission that the City Council provide direction to:

- 1) Prepare a Focused EIR for the San Jose Hills Senior Project; and
- 2) Prepare a Focused EIR for the Francesca Mixed Use Project

**MOTION ON ITEMS 4 THROUGH 8**

*C/Sykes made a motion to approve Items 4 through 8; seconded by C/Hall. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:*

**AYES:** **COUNCILMEMBERS:** Cartagena, King, Hall, Lim, Sykes  
**NOES:** **COUNCILMEMBERS:** None

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**COUNCIL DISCUSSION:**

9. **Community Information Monument Sign**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

- 1) Approve the design of the community information monument sign at the Gymnasium/Teen Center; and
- 2) Appropriate \$50,115 from the general fund balance 01-5317-6227.

SMA/Hamburger presented the staff report.

There was a brief discussion among the Council on the proposed community information monument sign.

**MOTION ON ITEM 9**

*M/King made a motion to approve Item 9; seconded by C/Sykes. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:*

**AYES:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: Cartagena, Hall, King, Lim, Sykes*  
**NOES:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: None*

**COUNCIL LATE BUSINESS:**

CM/Parker commented on the construction activities taking place by the City of Industry along Grand Avenue and Valley Boulevard. He mentioned that staff has met with representatives from the City of Industry who informed staff that we will have full access on our section, which is Grand Avenue, by mid-November.

CM/Parker announced his resignation with the City of Walnut effective Wednesday, November 30. He stated that he has accepted the position of City Manager with the City of Claremont. He thanked the City Council and staff.

**CLOSED SESSION:** The City Council will recess to Closed Session:

- A. To conference with Legal Counsel threatened litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9

**ACTION ON ITEM A**

*To direct the City Attorney to begin an investigation and report to Council.*

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- B. To discuss regarding Public Employee Employment and possible action, and appointment pursuant to Government Code 54957
1. Acting City Manager

**ACTION ON ITEM B**

*The Council appointed Chris Londo as the Acting City Manager.*

- C. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release pursuant to Government Code 54957

**ACTION ON ITEM C**

*The Council thanked the City Manager and paid him Administrative Leave effective October 27, 2005.*

**MOTION ON ITEMS A, B, AND C**

*C/Sykes made a motion to approve all three actions; seconded by C/Hall. Motion carried without objection and so ordered.*

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the City Council adjourned at 9:45 pm to the regular meeting of the City Council on November 9, 2005, at 7:00 pm in the Council Chamber of the Walnut City Hall.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THE 9TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2005.

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MAYOR TOM KING

ATTEST:

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TERESA DE DIOS, CITY CLERK

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DONNA M. INTERLICCHIA, DEPUTY CITY CLERK