Agenda Date: <u>08/11/2015</u> Agenda Item: <u>3.1</u>

Minutes of the Regular Joint Meeting of the Oakley City Council/Oakley City Council acting as the Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency July 14, 2015

1.0 OPENING MATTERS

Oakley City Council/Oakley City Council Acting as the Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency

1.1 Call to Order and Roll Call of the Oakley City Council and Oakley City Council Acting as the Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency

Mayor Hardcastle called the meeting to order at 6:32pm in the Oakley City Council Chambers located at 3231 Main Street, Oakley, California. Doug Hardcastle, Kevin Romick, Randy Pope, Sue Higgins and Vanessa Perry were present.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Mayor Hardcastle led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1.3 Proclamation Honoring Jeremy "Lumpy" Sturgill (Councilmember Higgins)

Mayor Hardcastle read and presented the proclamation to Marci Sturgill. She thanked the City Council.

1.4 Proclamation Recognizing July 2015 as Parks and Recreation Month in the City of Oakley (Lindsey Bruno, Recreation Manager)

Mayor Hardcastle read and presented the proclamation to Recreation Manager Lindsey Bruno. She thanked the City Council.

1.5 Presentation by Randy Iwasaki, Executive Director, Contra Costa Transportation Authority

Randy Iwasaki, Executive Director of the Contra Costa Transportation Authority, provided a presentation to the City Council regarding past and future technology in transportation including, faster emerging internet connectivity, rapid pace technology, autonomous vehicles and freight trucks, auto connectivity, cities connecting with technology and intermodal innovations. He shared information regarding the GoMentum Station CV/AV Program and that it will provide economic growth, job creation, efficient mobility and a healthier environment.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

Online Comment Forms

Randi Adler expressed discontent with Richmond American Homes for blocking driveways and shutting off water and power in her residential neighborhood. She commented she is providing notice to the City of Oakley that she will pursue litigation if needed.

Public Comment Cards

Susan Morgan, Director of Ironhouse Sanitary District (ISD), provided an update and handout regarding ISD's residential recycled water fill station available to Oakley and Bethel Island residents. She shared that ISD has documented an increase of usage of residential recycled water and ISD would like to continue to keep the fill station open after the drought. She mentioned the station is located at 450 Walnut Meadows Drive in Oakley and it is open Monday and Wednesday, 12pm-7pm and Saturday, 8am-12pm. She also mentioned additional information can be found at www.ISDP2.org.

Dan and Sandra Mathisen introduced their new business, Dan's Delta Outdoors, located at 1625 Main Street, Suite 1008. Dan shared they are excited to bring business back to Oakley and plan to bring 11 events to Oakley in the next year. He thanked the City Council for taking care of the City.

Mayor Hardcastle thanked Mr. and Mrs. Mathisen for investing in Oakley.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

Oakley City Council/Oakley City Council Acting as the Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency

3.1 Approve the Minutes of the Regular Joint Oakley City Council/Oakley City Council Acting as the Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency Meeting held June 23, 2015 (Libby Vreonis, City Clerk)

Oakley City Council

- 3.2 Waive the Second Reading and Adopt Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments to Oakley Municipal Code Sections 9.1.202 (Definitions), 9.1.404 (Single-Family Residential Districts), 9.1.1502 (Nonconforming Uses) and 9.1.1604 (Design Review) (RZ 03-15) (Ken Strelo, Senior Planner)
- 3.3 Adopt Resolutions Approving the Subdivision Improvement Agreement, Subdivision Annexation and Assessment Authorization Deferral Agreement and Final Map for Subdivision 8728 (Cypress Estates, south end of Fuschia Way, east of Mallard Lane) (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer)

(ACTION WAS TAKEN TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM TO THE JOINT MEETING OF THE OAKLEY CITY COUNCIL/OAKLEY CITY COUNCIL ACTING AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE OAKLEY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO BE HELD AUGUST 11, 2015, AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF)

- 3.4 Adopt a Resolution Approving an Agreement with BKF Engineers, Inc. for Engineering Design Services Associated with Capital Improvement Project Number 165-Main Street Rehabilitation Project (Norcross Lane to 2nd Street) (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer)
- 3.5 Ratify Election: Approval of Ordinance No. 07-15, Establishing Zone 154 for a Special Tax for Police Protection for Subdivision 9104 (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer) (Note: 2/3 vote required of voters participating in the election)
- 3.6 Adopt a Resolution Approving an Agreement with TJKM Transportation Consultants for Engineering Services Associated with the City of Oakley Traffic Model (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer)
- 3.7 Waive the First Reading and Introduce an Ordinance Adding Section 7.2.116 to Chapter 2 of Title 7 of the Oakley Municipal Code Relating to Expedited Procedures for Small Residential Rooftop Solar Systems (Dean Hurney, Building Permit Manager)
- 3.8 Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Two Radar Trailers (Dan Gomez, Chief of Police)
- 3.9 Adopt a Resolution Awarding a Professional Services Agreement for "On-Call" Materials Testing Services with Cal Engineering and Geology, Inc. (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer)
- 3.10 Approve Plans and Specifications for the Hill Avenue Multi-Use Trail
 Pedestrian Bridge Project, CIP No. 39 and Authorize Staff to Advertise the
 Project for Bid
 (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer)
- 3.11 Adopt a Resolution Requesting Participation in Police Officers Standards and Training Program (Bryan Montgomery, City Manager)
- 3.12 Investment Policy for FY 15-16 (Paul Abelson, Finance Director)
- 3.13 Confirm Citywide Unreimbursed Mandatory Subscription and Other Abatement Costs at June 30 and Authorize Lien and Direct Assessment Collection on the 2015-2016 Tax Roll (Troy Edgell, Code Enforcement Manager)

Items 3.3 and 3.13 were pulled from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Romick and seconded by Councilmember Pope to approve the remainder of the Consent Calendar. Motion was unanimous and so ordered. (5-0)

Item 3.3

It was moved by Councilmember Pope and seconded by Councilmember Perry to continue item 3.3 to the Joint Meeting of the Oakley City Council / Oakley City Council Acting as Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency to be held August 11, 2015, as recommended by staff. Motion was unanimous and so ordered. (5-0)

Item 3.13

City Manager Bryan Montgomery mentioned Attachment 2 to the staff report had been amended and provided to the City Council.

Online Comment Forms

No online comment forms were submitted for the Consent Calendar.

Public Comment Card

No public comment cards were submitted for the Consent Calendar.

It was moved by Councilmember Pope and seconded by Vice Mayor Romick to approve item 3.13, accepting Attachment 2 as amended. Motion was unanimous and so ordered. (5-0)

Before Item 4.1 was considered, Mayor Hardcastle announced Item 5.3 would be considered as the person representing CalPERS had a limited period of time to conference into the meeting.

4.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS

Oakley City Council

4.1 Dal Porto South Subdivision 9401 Vesting Tentative Map and Development Agreement (TM 02-15, DA 01-15) (Ken Strelo, Senior Planner)

Senior Planner Ken Strelo presented the staff report. He provided handouts and commented on a couple of amendments to the resolution, including amending the indemnity condition of approval and that the applicant shall pay its share of fees as set forth in the Transition Agreement.

Councilmember Pope inquired if the gas well in the middle of the lake would be underwater.

Mr. Strelo explained the gas well will be above water; however, the equipment will be screened from view by fencing and landscaping to blend into the neighborhood.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF THE OAKLEY CITY COUNCIL/OAKLEY CITY COUNCIL ACTING AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE OAKLEY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY HELD TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2015

Councilmember Pope requested softening, transitioning, landscaping and fencing the gas well and consolidating all gas wells within the project.

Mr. Strelo explained that Councilmember Pope's requests can be addressed in the Conditional Use Permit.

Mayor Hardcastle inquired if the City has authority to compel a property owner to silence well drilling.

City Attorney Derek Cole explained the City has no authority to compel a property owner to silence well drilling at certain times; however, a condition of the Conditional Use Permit can be proposed and considered by the City Council to mitigate hours of operation of well drilling for the benefit of the neighborhood.

Online Comment Forms

No online comment forms were submitted for Item 4.1.

Public Comment Card

Dennis Broderick expressed concern with regard to items 4.1 and 4.3 in relation to new construction. He requested the City Council consider a sound wall on both sides of the connector roads, traffic lights to gain frontage access from other roads, not reducing the existing width of E. Cypress Road as many trailers access the road, replacing any well that goes dry, and not place cul-de-sacs in front of existing property owners' driveways. He inquired if the levy specifications are different from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers specifications, how the lake will be filled if the drought continues, and if the trails will be equestrian-friendly.

Mr. Strelo responded that staff had already responded to Mr. Broderick's comments by email, but Mr. Broderick also wanted to go on record. Mr. Strelo explained that there is no traffic signal planned at the location Mr. Broderick references, he will research the road width and trails concerns, the levies are designed to Reclamation District 799 standards (Oakley does not have its own standards), he is not aware of any previous or foreseen issues with wells running dry as they are typically 30-150 feet deep, the lake will be filled with reclaimed water and will function as a storm water retention basin, and the existing road will become the frontage road (cul-de-sacs). Mr. Strelo further explained there will be a traffic signal located at a nearby intersection, but there will not be a traffic signal in the area further to the west that Mr. Broderick referenced.

Councilmember Pope inquired if there is a median across the frontage road.

Mr. Strelo responded that an open median exists.

It was moved by Councilmember Higgins and seconded by Vice Mayor Romick to adopt the resolution as amended to include screening and landscaping of the gas well site and waive the first reading and introduce the ordinance. Motion was unanimous and so ordered. (5-0)

4.2 Farr Minor Subdivision MS 15-976 (TPM 02-15) (Ken Strelo, Senior Planner)

Senior Planner Ken Strelo presented the staff report.

Online Comment Forms

No online comment forms were submitted for Item 4.2.

Public Comment Card

No public comment cards were submitted for Item 4.2.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Romick and seconded by Councilmember Perry to adopt the resolution. Motion was unanimous and so ordered. (5-0)

4.3 Lesher Subdivision 9404 Vesting Tentative Map (TM 03-15) (Ken Strelo, Senior Planner)

Senior Planner Ken Strelo presented the staff report. He provided handouts and commented on a couple of amendments to the resolution, including amending the indemnity condition of approval and that the applicant shall pay its share of fees as set forth in the Transition Agreement. He also commented that a condition was added to require a statement to be recorded to notify future property owners that their property is located near an existing dog kennel and veterinarian hospital.

Councilmember Pope expressed concern regarding the small lot size and inquired what type of product would be placed on the lots. He explained 2-3 story homes being placed on 3,000 square foot lots doesn't appear to fit the character of Oakley. He inquired if standard set backs will apply.

Mr. Strelo explained that the design has not yet been provided, but a 3-story option would likely leave more ground room.

Councilmember Perry inquired if the surrounding homes will be 1-2 story.

Vice Mayor Romick inquired what the requirements are for multi-family homes in the proposed development area. He commented that he shares some of Councilmember Pope's concerns about the lot size, but also recognizes that some people may be looking for options other than large lots and large homes and if Oakley can provide alternative housing options, it may attract a wider variety of people in the community.

Owen Poole, on behalf of the applicant for items 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3, explained that the homes will be detached, 2-3 story and 1,800-2,600 square feet, but the applicant would be willing to conditioning 2-story homes if the City Council prefers. He added that this style of home is preferred in other Bay Area cities providing benefits of low outdoor maintenance while enjoyment of a detached home. He also added there is no development plan for the architecture, but the developer will be sensitive to the master

plan of the site for cohesiveness as the same developer will be developing all five properties in the area and wants to create a great community.

Mayor Hardcastle inquired if building can occur on wetlands.

Mr. Poole responded that building cannot occur on wetlands and the applicant is preserving more wetlands than required.

Online Comment Forms

No online comment forms were submitted for Item 4.3.

Public Comment Card

No public comment cards were submitted for Item 4.3.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Romick and seconded by Councilmember Higgins to adopt the resolution as amended. Motion was unanimous and so ordered. (5-0)

4.4 Declare the Annexation of Territory to Zones 1A, 2A, 3-21A and 3-23, Consider Confirming the Diagrams and Assessments and Ordering the Levy and Collection of the Annual Assessments for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for the City of Oakley Street Lighting and Landscape Assessment District No. 1 (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer)

Public Works Director/City Engineer Kevin Rohani presented the staff report.

City Clerk Libby Vreonis tabulated the assessment ballots. She announced that there is a majority approval to annex parcels 041-021-029 and 034-250-008 to Lighting and Landscape Assessment District No. 1 and having received no protests, proceedings may continue.

Online Comment Forms

No online comment forms were submitted for Item 4.4.

Public Comment Card

No public comment cards were submitted for Item 4.4.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Romick and seconded by Councilmember Pope to adopt the resolution. Motion was unanimous and so ordered. (5-0)

5.0 REGULAR CALENDAR

Oakley City Council

5.1 Review of Administrative Hearing Officer's Decision Regarding Four Properties (600 & 631 Mockingbird Lane, 245 Robinwood Avenue, 10 Golden Eagle Court, Oakley, California) Subject to the City's Rental Inspection Program (Libby Vreonis, City Clerk)

City Clerk Libby Vreonis presented the staff report.

David W. Gwynn, owner of the four properties, explained he is not objecting to the Rental Inspection Program; he is objecting to the citations issued for properties that are already being inspected by the Home Owners Association (HOA) 12 times per year. He inquired if the City council has received his email comments as he requested and the City Council confirmed it had.

Councilmember Pope inquired if there are any HOA's in the City that are qualified or could be qualified to act on behalf of the City for inspections to relieve some of the burden from Code Enforcement staff.

City Manager Bryan Montgomery responded that there is not a current process in place to allow for HOA's to act on the City's behalf for inspections and he is doubtful that it would be successful as some properties located in that particular HOA and other HOA's within Oakley have numerous code violations as shown in the attachments to the staff report. He added that even if the HOA's acted on behalf of the City, staff would still have to review the work of the HOA's.

Councilmember Perry commented that allowing the HOA's to act on behalf of the City would not cure the issue of violations as there are numerous code violations existing in several HOA's within the City.

Online Comment Forms

No online comment forms were submitted for Item 5.1.

Public Comment Card

No public comment cards were submitted for Item 5.1.

It was moved by Councilmember Pope and seconded by Councilmember Perry to affirm the Administrative Hearing Officer's decision. Motion was unanimous and so ordered. (5-0)

5.2 Adopt an Urgency Ordinance Prohibiting the Cultivation of Marijuana within the City of Oakley Limits on an Interim Basis (Derek Cole, City Attorney) (Note: 4/5 Vote Required)

City Attorney Derek Cole presented the staff report. He emphasized that Proposition 215 only created immunity to criminal defense for patients or caregivers of patients to possess a "reasonable amount" for which marijuana can be used for a medical condition and that Senate Bill 420 expanded the scope of criminal immunity defense to include dispensary and cooperative language, but marijuana has not been legalized in California. He added that ordinances adopted by other cities such as Live Oak, California, the ordinance in which the proposed ordinance for Oakley was modeled upon, have been upheld by the courts. He explained the proposed ordinance is a civil ordinance to protect the health, safety and welfare of the City's residents.

Mayor Hardcastle inquired if similar ordinances have already been upheld in court.

Mr. Cole explained that the Supreme Court has ruled that cities have police power to regulate dispensaries (same logic applies to cultivation) and there have also been 2-3 other rulings regarding cultivation which support the proposed ordinance.

Councilmember Higgins requested clarification regarding the "at least 30 feet from any adjoining structures" requirement. She inquired if it would include cultivation in sheds.

Mr. Cole explained that "adjoining" means a line drawn 30 feet from any neighboring structure. He added that if the City Council feels 30 feet is too far, it can direct staff to change it.

Online Comment Forms

Chuck Varnado commented the proposed ordinance seems overly restrictive. He suggested restricting indoor growing and requiring odor control.

Ron Borland urged the City Council to oppose the proposed ordinance. He suggested ordinances regulating electrical systems, lighting and nuisances already exist to address many of the concerns associated with marijuana cultivation raised in the staff report. He indicated polls show the majority of Americans support legalization of marijuana.

Public Comment Card

Roberto Ramos requested the City Council afford a discussion regarding marijuana cultivation the same amount of time as afforded other code enforcement issues.

Ric Onalfo was not present to speak but commented marijuana cultivation is the only way his friend can afford marijuana. He suggested no restrictions on cultivation and that zoning areas must be considered.

Keith Schatek requested the City Council spend more time on the matter. He expressed he would like to work with the City toward a co-habitable solution.

Saxon Pesko requested the City Council not adopt the proposed ordinance so quickly as other items still need to be carefully addressed (i.e., how the ordinance will impact residents with plants already in the ground).

Paul Kodydeil commented organic growth is preferred for medical reasons. He recommended the proposed ordinance be examined more carefully and he would be happy to set up a committee to work with the City.

James Fahmie opposed the proposed ordinance, indicating people like to relax and unwind and people should be able to smoke marijuana if it doesn't bother anyone.

John Santos, caregiver for Sam Hall, explained that Mr. Hall has incurred amputations at his knees and consumes marijuana daily. Mr. Hall joined Mr. Santos by conference call. Both opposed the proposed ordinance as written.

Shawn Pastrana commented he has a medical marijuana card and prescriptive drugs are not working. He expressed opposition to the proposed ordinance and suggested the City Council focus on other issues in the community.

Joanna Hossack commented she is an attorney speaking on behalf of the medical marijuana community and requested the City Council consider the implications of the proposed ordinance for people with plants already in the ground. She added that a decision should not be made based on fears (i.e., odor, burglaries, and electrical issues); fears should be discussed.

Brian Elliff volunteered to develop a community task force to work together with the City Council regarding a cultivation ordinance. He commented that upon approval of the proposed ordinance it will be illegal to have plants in the ground which will impact many people.

Attorney James Anthony commented that removal of plants already in the ground would result in an unconstitutional taking without just compensation. He suggested the City Council wait for the results of AB 266 next month and create a task force to fairly balance competing concerns.

Sylvia Ray shared her husband has cancer and they support cultivation for its cost efficiency and to relieve pain. She requested the City Council slow down and work with residents to figure out how to proceed together.

Mr. Cole commented that marijuana cultivation is not allowed in Oakley. He explained that in order to have land use, there must be a zoning ordinance that is permitted by right. He added that the Oakley Municipal Code is silent, but it is implied that there is a prohibition; the proposed ordinance would make it an expressed prohibition.

Councilmember Perry commented that she does not agree with the ordinance as it is written. She added that she disagrees with prohibiting the sale of marijuana to dispensaries. She explained she believes marijuana can provide relief for people with medical issues (i.e., cancer).

Councilmember Higgins commented she believes in medical marijuana for medical uses only. She inquired how long the grow season lasts and suggested the number of plants per person be limited.

Councilmember Pope suggested the proposed urgency ordinance be adopted, but amended to provide a grandfather clause for plants already in the ground and allow growth under certain conditions until a permanent ordinance can be structured. He also suggested a stay of enforcement for the 45-day period the proposed urgency ordinance would be effective. He expressed he does not want to see a large commercial operation coming into Oakley if no ordinance exists.

Vice Mayor Romick commented more discussion is needed to invite comments from the entire community as the comments this evening appear one-sided. He added that he would be concerned with a large grower placing plants in the ground during the 45-day period the proposed urgency ordinance is effective, before further discussion can take place.

Mayor Hardcastle commented he understands the benefits of marijuana for physical and mental disorders, but everything has limitations and the City Council must look out for the entire community.

It was moved by Councilmember Pope to amend the proposed urgency ordinance to allow for a patient or his or her caretaker as provided for by Proposition 215 to have marijuana plants that have been planted in Oakley prior to or on the effective date of the ordinance for personal use.

Councilmember Higgins requested the motion be amended to include "personal medical use" which Councilmember Pope accepted.

Vice Mayor Romick seconded the motion.

AYES: Pope, Romick; NOES: Hardcastle, Perry; ABSTENTION: Higgins.

It was moved by Mayor Hardcastle to adopt the urgency ordinance as proposed in its original format. The motion died for lack of a second.

City Manager Bryan Montgomery indicated that without Council consensus, staff will cease working on an ordinance.

5.3 Resolution of Intention to Approve an Amendment to Contract between the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS) and the City of Oakley to include a new Police Category (Bryan Montgomery, City Manager)

Item 5.3 was considered before Item 4.1.

City Manager Bryan Montgomery presented the staff report and announced that the actuary study is available for public review. He introduced Fritzi Archuleta on behalf of CalPERS who joined the meeting via conference call. There were no questions for Ms. Archuleta.

Mayor Hardcastle mentioned there have been discussions at previous meetings about bringing Police services in-house.

Councilmember Perry commented that the City is saving more money than the previous estimates received.

Mr. Montgomery added that 50% is to be paid by officers; therefore, the savings helps the City even more.

Online Comment Forms

No online comment forms were submitted for Item 5.3.

Public Comment Card

No public comment cards were submitted for Item 5.3.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Romick and seconded by Councilmember Perry to adopt the resolution. AYES: Hardcastle, Higgins, Perry, Romick. NOES: Pope. (4-1)

5.4 3330 Main Street Design Review (DR 08-15) – Design Review for Facade Improvements to a Commercial Building Located at 3330 Main Street. APN: 037-160-027 (Joshua McMurray, Planning Manager)

Planning Manager Joshua McMurray presented the staff report.

Mayor Hardcastle inquired if there is a cost estimate and Mr. McMurray replied "not yet".

Councilmember Perry inquired what happens to the improvements if the State does not allow the City to acquire the property.

City Manager Bryan Montgomery explained that either way the City is still the custodian of the building and staff recommends the improvements as a positive enhancement to Oakley's Downtown area.

Councilmember Pope inquired if a loan would be provided for the improvements and if the property would be encumbered.

Mr. Montgomery explained that a grant or loan would be made up to 90% of the improvement value and that the property would not be encumbered.

Mayor Hardcastle inquired if the added value of the improvements could potentially benefit the State in the future.

Mr. Montgomery explained the appraised value of the property is already set; therefore, he does not believe the value of the improvements could be added to benefit the State.

Online Comment Forms

No online comment forms were submitted for Item 5.4.

Public Comment Card

No public comment cards were submitted for Item 5.4.

It was moved by Councilmember Pope and seconded by Councilmember Perry to proceed with the design as presented. Motion was unanimous and so ordered. (5-0)

5.5 FY 2014-15 Fourth Quarter Report on the Capital Improvement Program (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer)

Public Works Director/City Engineer Kevin Rohani presented the report.

Councilmembers Perry and Higgins thanked Mr. Rohani and staff for doing a great job.

Mayor Hardcastle complimented Mr. Rohani on how guickly he responds to everyone.

Online Comment Forms

No online comment forms were submitted for Item 5.5.

Public Comment Card

No public comment cards were submitted for Item 5.5.

No action was required of the City Council.

6.0 REPORTS

6.1 CITY MANAGER

(a) City Manager

City Manager Bryan Montgomery thanked City staff for their work and the City Council for their support with the Cityhood Celebration. He mentioned staff welcomes any suggestions for the event to be held next year. He announced the next Movie in the Park, *Lego Movie*, will be held July 25 and the next City Council meeting will be held August 11.

- 6.2 OAKLEY CITY COUNCIL/OAKLEY CITY COUNCIL ACTING AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE OAKLEY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
- (a) Reports from Council Liaisons to Regional Committees, Commissions and Boards AND Oakley City Council/Oakley City Council Acting as the Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency Comments

Councilmember Pope commented the Cityhood Celebration was great and he recommended the food and beverage areas expanded as they were heavily impacted this year. He mentioned there was a vote of no confidence taken by the firefighters of the East Contra Costa Fire Protection District against the Fire Chief. He mentioned it is important that the public have enough resources on their properties to fight fires until a fire fighting unit can arrive as there will be delays with only 9 firefighters in the District. He announced the next East Contra Costa Fire Protection District meeting will be held August 3 at City Hall beginning at 6:30pm.

Councilmember Perry commented that the Cityhood Celebration was great. She announced she attended a Chamber of Commerce Mixer, the Chamber of Commerce will host a free "Dog Days of Summer" event at La Grande event center Saturday, July 18, 12pm-6pm, and the "Walk to Fight Suicide" will be held Saturday, October 10, at Cypress Grove Community Park in Oakley.

Vice Mayor Romick complimented City staff on the Cityhood Celebration. He mentioned attendance at the event was good considering Antioch and Pittsburg also had fireworks. He mentioned the event is not always held on July 4th, but happened to fall on that date this year and staff worked hard to secure vendors, but some were difficult to secure for the holiday.

Mayor Hardcastle thanked Parks and Recreation and You, Me, We=Oakley! for organizing a successful Cityhood event. He announced he attended a recent Mayors Conference meeting, but will not be able to attend the October 6 meeting in Oakland regarding storm water run-off. He requested Vice Mayor Romick to attend in his absence.

Councilmember Higgins announced the Oakley Library will hold a meeting July 20 beginning at 6:30pm at City Hall to solicit community input regarding support for building a new stand-alone library. She also announced she attended Dan's Delta Outdoors grand opening and that she and Councilmember Perry will meet with the Pittsburg City Council to discuss the "Walk to Fight Suicide".

(b) Requests for Future Agendas

There were no requests for future agendas.

Mayor Hardcastle announced an 8-minute break at 9:32pm. The City Council reconvened at 9:40pm.

7.0 WORK SESSIONS-None

8.0 CLOSED SESSION

Oakley City Council

8.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9:

Two potential cases.

8.2 Report Out of Closed Session (Derek Cole, City Attorney)

City Attorney Derek Cole announced that no reportable action was taken as to one matter and direction was given to initiate litigation regarding the other matter.

9.0 ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Libby Vreonis City Clerk