

# ***CITY OF PERRIS***

*MINUTES:* City Council, Redevelopment Agency,  
Perris Public Finance Authority &  
Perris Public Utilities Authority  
*Date of Meeting:* 13 December 2005  
*Time of Meeting:* 6:00 p.m.  
*Place of Meeting:* City Council Chambers

**1. *CALL TO ORDER:***

The Honorable Mayor Busch called the Joint City Council, Redevelopment Agency, Perris Public Finance Authority and Perris Public Utilities Authority Meeting to order.

*6:00 p.m. Called to Order*

**2. *ROLL CALL:***

Council Members Present: Landers, Motte, Rogers, Yarbrough, Busch

*All Council Members present.*

Staff Members Present: City Manager Apodaca, City Attorney Dunn, Community Development Director Barnes, Finance Director Carr, Public Works Director Ansari, Assistant to City Manager Madkin, Planning Manager Belmudez, and City Clerk Rey.

*Staff Members Present*

**3. *INVOCATION:***

The Invocation was led by Councilwoman Rogers.

*Councilwoman Rogers led the Invocation.*

**4. *PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:***

Councilman Landers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**5. *PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:***

Mayor Busch introduced Dave Wellman, Regional Representative for the League of California Cities, who gave an update to Proposition 42, stating that the Governor's budget, in its final formation, reflected for the first time full funding from Proposition 42, the Transportation Congestion Improvement Act that became effective July 1, 2003. Mr. Wellman encouraged the City to send a letter to the Governor's Office urging him to include full funding for road improvements and street maintenance in this year's Proposition 42 appropriation.

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- 1) The preservation of Proposition 42 and the inclusion of improvements in the State infrastructure. He commented that the State Senate and Assembly were considering major bond measures for infrastructure improvements. Mr. Wellman stated that the League wanted to make sure that the infrastructure improvements were decided at the local level, that local authority in these things was preserved, and that the improvements were fully funded.
- 2) The protection of redevelopment funds, ensuring that cities are ready to respond when the attack on redevelopment occurs.
- 3) The continued development and participation in developing a coherent housing policy.

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*Protection of redevelopment funds.*

*Continued development and participation in developing a coherent housing policy.*

Mayor Busch called on John Husing, noted economist, to give an economic report on the City of Perris as a follow-up to the presentation he had made at the November 8<sup>th</sup> Work Session. Mr. Husing said that throughout the history of Southern California, there has always been an area that has suddenly accelerated with powerful growth: San Fernando Valley in the 50's, San Gabriel Valley in the 60's, Orange County in the 70's, the west end of San Bernardino/Riverside County in the 90's, and now in the 2000's, it is in the I-215 South Corridor. He said the growth typically begins with housing, including acceleration in price, which he noted had now happened in Perris. Existing homes selling for \$100,000 a decade ago were now selling for \$300,000, and new homes had increased from \$100,000 or \$150,000 to \$400,000. Mr. Husing said the second thing that happens in growth is acceleration of population, with people migrating to buy those houses, and that population must have sufficient income for the home mortgages; all of which alters the dynamics of the retail economy. He said the next development would be industrial, and that the I-215 Corridor was the most prosperous part of the Inland Empire. It was noted that the jobs that come with the industrial facilities tend to pay more than jobs even in manufacturing. Mr. Husing said the last phase in the process would be when office complexes come, which is usually long into the process. He said the arrival of the Metrolink in Perris would help to jumpstart that piece of the economy. In summary, Mr. Husing said the economy in the Inland Empire was sizzling and was going to continue to do so, noting that in the past year in just San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, more jobs were added than in any other part of Southern California, amounting to 35% of all the jobs created in California.

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Mayor Pro Tem Motte asked how that was going to affect the commute on the freeways. Mr. Husing said it would definitely "slow things down", and it would be hard to keep up with the infrastructure, but it would not slow down the growth.

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**6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Joint Work Session of the City Council, Redevelopment Agency, Perris Public Finance Authority and Perris Public Utilities Authority held November 29, 2005, and approval of the Minutes of the Regular Joint City Council, Redevelopment Agency, Perris Public Finance Authority and Perris Utility Authority Meeting held November 29, 2005.

*Approval of Minutes of the Joint Work Session and Regular Meeting of the City Council, RDA, PPFA and PPUA Meeting held November 29, 2005.*

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M/S/C: (Rogers/Motte) to approve the Minutes of the Joint Work Session and Regular Joint City Council, Redevelopment Agency, Perris Public Finance Authority and Perris Public Utilities Authority Meeting held on November 29, 2005.

*Motion to approve the Minutes of November 29, 2005.*

AYES: Landers, Motte, Rogers, Yarbrough, Busch  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

*Approved: 5-0*

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Mayor Busch called for any comments regarding Consent Calendar items only.

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PUBLIC COMMENT: None

*No Public Comment*

A. Adopt Resolution Number 3538 regarding Annexation of Triple Crown Elementary School to Flood Control Maintenance District No. 1.

*Adoption of Resolution Number 3538 regarding Annexation of Triple Crown Elementary School to FCMD-1.*

Resolution Number 3538 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERRIS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DECLARING INTENTION TO AUTHORIZE LEVYING ASSESSMENTS UPON CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY, TO ORDER ANNEXATION OF TRIPLE CROWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO BENEFIT ZONE 36, FLOOD CONTROL MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NUMBER 1, PURSUANT TO THE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT ACT OF 1982; AND OFFERING A TIME AND PLACE ON FEBRUARY 14, 2006, FOR HEARING OBJECTIONS THERETO.

*Resolution Number 3538 declaring intention to authorize levying assessments upon certain parcels of real property, to order Annexation of Triple Crown Elementary School to BZ 36, FCMD-1, and offering a time and place on February 14, 2006, for hearing objections thereto.*

- B. Adopt Resolution Numbers 3539 through 3541 regarding Annexation of Triple Crown Elementary School to Maintenance District No. 84-1.

*Adoption of Resolution Number 3539 through 3541 regarding Annexation of Triple Crown Elementary School to MD 84-1.*

Resolution Number 3539 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERRIS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, INITIATING PROCEEDINGS, APPOINTING THE ENGINEER OF WORK, ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF A DISTRICT MAP INDICATING THE PROPOSED BOUNDARIES OF AN ANNEXATION TO THE CITY OF PERRIS MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NUMBER 84-1, AND FOR PROVIDING OTHER ENGINEERING SERVICES IN THE MATTER OF THE ANNEXATION TO MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NUMBER 84-1 (Triple Crown Elementary School).

*Resolution Number 3539 initiating proceedings, appointing the Engineer of Work, ordering the preparation of a District Map indicating the proposed boundaries of an annexation to MD 84-1, and for providing other engineering services in the matter of the Annexation to MD 84-1 (Triple Crown Elementary School).*

Resolution Number 3540 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERRIS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR ANNEXATION OF TRIPLE CROWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO CITY OF PERRIS MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NUMBER 84-1.

*Resolution Number 3540 of preliminary approval of Engineer's Report for Annexation of Triple Crown Elementary School to MD 84-1.*

Resolution Number 3541 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERRIS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DECLARING INTENTION TO ORDER THE ANNEXATION TO CITY OF PERRIS MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NUMBER 84-1, DECLARING THE WORK TO BE OF MORE LOCAL THAN ORDINARY PUBLIC BENEFIT; SPECIFYING THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES OF THE AREA TO BE ANNEXED TO MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NUMBER 84-1 AND TO BE ASSESSED THE COST AND EXPENSE THEREOF; DESIGNATING SAID ANNEXATION AS ANNEXATION OF TRIPLE CROWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NUMBER 84-1; DETERMINING THAT THESE PROCEEDINGS SHALL BE TAKEN PURSUANT TO THE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT OF 1972; AND OFFERING A TIME AND PLACE ON FEBRUARY 14, 2006, FOR HEARING OBJECTIONS THERETO.

*Resolution Number 3541 declaring intention to order the annexation to MD 84-1, declaring the work to be of more local than ordinary public benefit; specifying the exterior boundaries of the area to be annexed to MD 84-1 and to be assessed the cost and expense thereof; designating said annexation as Annexation of Triple Crown Elementary School to MD 84-1; offering a time and place on February 14, 2006, for hearing objections thereto.*

- C. Approve canceling the second City Council meeting in December (December 27, 2005).

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- D. Receive and file the City of Perris Community Facilities District annual report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005.

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- E. Receive and file AB 1600 report (developer fee reporting requirements of Section 66006 of the Government Code) for the

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- F. Approval of the revised 8<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency Joint Powers Agreement. *Approval of the revised 8<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency Joint Powers Agreement.*
- G. Approve Shepherd and Staats Annual Contract with the City of Perris. *Approval of Shepherd and Staats Annual Contract with the City of Perris.*
- H. Adopt the results of the speed survey completed on Oleander Avenue and authorize installation of appropriate signage. *Adoption of the results of the speed survey completed on Oleander Avenue and authorization of installation of appropriate signage.*
- I. Approval of Warrants. *Approval of Warrants.*
- Mayor Busch called for a motion. *Mayor Busch called for a motion.*
- M/S/C: (Rogers/Landers) to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. *Motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.*
- AYES: Landers, Motte, Rogers, Yarbrough, Busch *Approved: 5-0*  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

**8. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- A. Consideration of updating the General Plan's Open Space Element. *Consideration of updating the General Plan's Open Space Element.*
- (Continued from September 27, 2005 City Council Meeting) *(Continued to February 14, 2006 City Council Meeting)*  
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- Introduced by: Olivia Barnes, Community Development Director
- Director Barnes explained that this item had been continued from the September 27<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting to this date, and it was now being requested that it be continued to February 14, 2006. *Director Barnes explained that this item had been continued from the September 27<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting, and it was now being requested that it be continued to February 14, 2006.*
- Mayor Busch called for a motion to have the item continued to the February 14, 2006 Council Meeting. *Mayor Busch called for a motion to have the item continued to the February 14, 2006 Council Meeting.*
- M/S/C: (Rogers/Motte) to continue the item to the Council Meeting on February 14, 2006. *Motion to continue the item to February 14, 2006.*

AYES: Landers, Motte, Rogers, Yarbrough, Busch  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

*Approved: 5-0*

**9. BUSINESS ITEMS (not requiring a “Public Hearing”):**

- A. Consideration to adopt Resolution Number 3542 approving the creation of the Perris Community Partnership Nonprofit Organization.

*Adoption of Resolution Number 3542 approving the creation of the Perris Community Partnership Nonprofit Organization.*

Resolution Number 3542 is entitled:

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERRIS DIRECTING THE FILING OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE FORMATION OF A CALIFORNIA NON-PROFIT PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION.

*Resolution Number 3542 directing the filing of the Articles of Incorporation in connection with the formation of a California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation.*

Introduced by: Darren Madkin, Assistant to the City Manager

Mr. Madkin reported that the Council had previously taken action to establish a local non-profit organization to address and support social services, by appointing a sub-committee comprised of Councilmembers Rogers and Yarbrough, who had met with Staff and consultants to select a name and develop bylaws and articles of incorporation for the proposed non-profit organization. He said he was pleased to present the Perris Community Partnership, along with the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, for the Council’s approval. He stated that the non-profit would serve as a charitable organization made up of a nine-member Board of Directors (two of which were required to be Councilmembers). The initial terms of the Board would be staggered, with five of the Directors serving two-year terms and four of the Directors serving a three-year term. After the initial terms expire, the Directors would serve a two-year term. Staff and the consultant were to prepare and submit a schedule for the recruitment and selection of Board Members for the Council’s consideration in January 2006. Mr. Madkin called on consultant Jennifer Vaughn-Blakely of the Sundance Company to make a brief presentation on the timing for filing and what the non-profit could do if approved.

*Mr. Madkin gave a brief background on the establishment of the local non-profit organization, to be known as Perris Community Partnership, a charitable organization with a nine-member Board of Directors (two of which were required to be Councilmembers). Mr. Madkin asked consultant Jennifer Vaughn-Blakely of the Sundance Company to make a short presentation.*

Ms. Vaughn-Blakely commented that the Council could not give the community a better gift than the resources to establish the non-profit organization that would enable a separate legal entity to address some of the special social service needs in the City of Perris. She said that the Council sub-committee had met with Staff, the Assistant City Attorney and herself to put together the Bylaws. She reviewed the next steps to be taken to complete the application process with the State and IRS.

*Ms. Vaughn-Blakely said that the Council was giving the community a very valuable gift by granting resources to establish the non-profit organization that would enable a separate legal entity to address some of the special social service needs in the City of Perris.*

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

*No Public Comment*

COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION:

*Council Questions/Discussion*

Councilmember Landers asked about the implementation costs. Mr. Madkin responded that \$79,500 had been included in the 2005-06 budget for start-up costs during the first year. Mr. Landers asked if there was any paid staff. Mr. Madkin said that some staff costs had been incorporated into the budget, but it would be up to the Board to decide what kind of staff they wanted. He said that most cities have an executive director, with perhaps some type of support staff for that person.

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Councilmember Rogers said that this non-profit organization would give the City an excellent venue for taking advantage of the corporate donations available to address social service needs in the community through various types of grants. She said she was very pleased to see this finally coming to fruition.

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Councilmember Yarbrough thanked Ms. Vaughn-Blakely, Assistant City Attorney Luck and Mr. Madkin for their efforts in expediting this non-profit process. He said the way the documentation had been written would make this a very powerful tool that would allow a bridging of the private and public sectors in obtaining available monies and putting them into needed areas within the community. He anticipated a very successful program.

*Councilmember Yarbrough thanked Ms. Vaughn-Blakely, Ms. Luck and Mr. Madkin for their efforts in helping to establish this powerful tool to benefit the community.*

Mayor Busch also congratulated Staff on expediting this process, and Ms. Rogers for bringing this item forward.

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M/S/C: (Landers/Rogers) to adopt Resolution Number 3542 approving the creation of the Perris Community Partnership Non-profit Organization.

*Motion to adopt Resolution Number 3542 approving the creation of the Perris Community Partnership Non-profit Organization.*

AYES: Landers, Motte, Rogers, Yarbrough, Busch

*Approved: 5-0*

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

- B. Consideration to authorize Temporary Use Permit 05-0411 to allow a practice field for youth football from ages 7 to 14 from January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006, located between Ellis

*Authorization of Temporary Use Permit 05-0411 to allow a practice field for youth football from ages 7 to 14 from*

Avenue and Case Road. (Applicant: Andre Mitchell)

*January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006, located between Ellis Ave. and Case Rd. (Applicant: Andre Mitchell)*

Introduced by: Richard Belmudez, Planning Manager

Manager Belmudez explained that this was a request for a Temporary Use Permit to allow practice fields at the subject location. He noted that the applicant had submitted some conceptual plans for having a long-term sports facility at this location; however, in the interim while obtaining permit approvals, they were requesting to use the fields on a temporary basis. He said the site was a little east of Case Road on Ellis Avenue, encompassing 53 acres, 13 of which would be used for this project. Regarding zoning, Mr. Belmudez said the site, adjacent to the Perris Airport, was surrounded by light industrial on the east, west and south, with the Perris Specific Plan to the north. He said the applicant's plans were to install some temporary parking facilities on the north portion of the lot, use an existing snack bar, and provide portable restrooms.

*Manager Belmudez explained that this was a request for a Temporary Use Permit to allow practice fields at the subject location on Ellis Avenue, just east of Case Road.*

Mayor Busch asked Mr. Belmudez to give a background on the property itself - who it belongs to and the circumstances involved. Mr. Belmudez said the property actually belonged to the Airport (the Conatser Family), which was allowing the facility to use 13 of the 53 acres on an interim basis.

*Mayor Busch asked Mr. Belmudez to give a background on the property. Mr. Belmudez responded.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*Public Comment*

Ella Jones, 30-year Perris resident, stated that she was very much in support of this football program for the youth and indicated that many people in the community had also expressed their support for the program. She urged the Council to vote in favor of the project.

*Ella Jones stated that she and many others in the community were in support of this football program, and asked for the Council's favor as well.*

Rebecca Stone said she had volunteered a great deal of time to this program and felt that it was a very worthwhile cause. She commented that she had seen the lives of many young people turned around as a result of Mr. Mitchell's vision for this project and the positive input that many others had added to the lives of the youth. She also encouraged the Council to support this effort.

*Rebecca Stone believed this was a very worthwhile cause, having seen the lives of many young people impacted by the program. She, too, encouraged the Council to support the cause.*

Parris Bly, a coach for Perris Junior American Football, said he had seen firsthand what the program could do for the community. He said he had seen changes in lives of troubled teens through involvement in the program. He said if just one life could be changed, it would be worth the effort.

*Parris Bly, coach for Perris Junior American Football, related that he had seen positive changes in the lives of young people involved in this program.*

Andre Mitchell, LAPD officer and Perris resident, thanked the Council for what the City was about to achieve through this program. He added that it was not just geared toward the young men of the community, but also had a cheerleading corps to involve the young ladies. He said some of the cheerleaders had

*Andre Mitchell thanked the Council for its support and spoke of the success of the teams.*



won competition and were helping to put Perris on the map. He also said that this year all five of the teams, for the first time, had made the playoffs.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION:

Councilmember Landers read from the mission statement for the program: "...to offer young people a viable and constructive alternative to the temptations of street life which can lead to a life of crime, alcoholism, drugs, vandalism or delinquency" and recalled Dr. Marvin Brown's desire for a park and a place for kids to play in that area. He said that by the grace of God, they would now have that.

Councilmember Rogers commended Mr. Mitchell for bringing his dream to the City. She added that a community is only as good as the people who work to make the community different. She expressed appreciation for this program's impact on the lives of the community's children. She also thanked and encouraged the football players and cheerleaders who were present.

Mayor Pro Tem Motte said he could see from the expressions of the young people present that what the program was doing was a really good thing. He suggested that perhaps something could be done in the future to secure permanent facilities for the program.

Councilmember Yarbrough expressed his full support of the program. He also emphasized how important it was going to be for the community to follow through with hard work and support.

Mayor Busch pointed out that this group was not asking for money, and that it was a good feeling to be able to help people who were helping themselves.

Mayor Busch called for a motion.

M/S/C: (Yarbrough/Landers) to authorize the Temporary Use Permit (05-0411) to allow a practice field for youth football from ages 7 to 14 to operate from January 1, 2006, to December 31, 2006, located between Ellis Avenue and Case Road, as presented by Staff.

AYES: Landers, Motte, Rogers, Yarbrough, Busch  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

*Council Questions/Discussion*

*Councilmember Landers read from the mission statement of the program and commented that these dreams were going to be fulfilled.*

*Councilmember Rogers expressed appreciation to Mr. Mitchell for the program's impact upon the lives of the community's children.*

*Mayor Pro Tem Motte expressed support for the program.*

*Councilmember Yarbrough expressed his full support of the program and urged the community to get behind the program and work hard to make it a reality.*

*Mayor Busch appreciated that the people behind this program had worked so hard to make it a success.*

*Mayor Busch called for a motion.*

*Motion to authorize the Temporary Use Permit to allow a practice field for youth football to operate during the entire year of 2006, as presented by Staff.*

*Approved: 5-0*

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT/CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:**

- A. Marilyn Solaz expressed concern about the poor road conditions on Murrieta Road, stating that she had endured the potholes for more than 15 years and had actually had an accident on that road due to the poor conditions. She urged the Council to have the road paved properly. Mayor Busch responded that this would be taken to Staff. *Marilyn Solaz expressed concern about the poor road conditions on Murrieta Road.*
- B. Katherine Flores presented a petition signed by Perris residents requesting that, for the sake of public safety, sidewalks be installed in the older neighborhoods in Perris where they did not currently exist. *Katherine Flores presented a signed petition asking for sidewalks to be installed in the older neighborhoods of Perris.*
- C. Anne Unmacht, representing Project TOUCH (Together Our Unity Conquers Homelessness), stated that homelessness was currently in an emergency state and getting worse. She said that 52% of the homeless population in Riverside County were now women and children. Ms. Unmacht asked the Council's support of the reopening of the March ARB homeless shelter. *Anne Unmacht, representing project TOUCH, asked the Council's support of the reopening of the March ARB homeless shelter.*
- D. Sharon Edmons had concerns about Murrieta Road between Ethanac and Case, the link between Perris and Sun City. She noted that this road had basically become a very unsafe, 1-1/2 lane road - not even a full two lanes wide in some places. *Sharon Edmons had concerns about Murrieta Road, which had become a very unsafe link between Perris and Sun City.*
- E. Tim Rodgers of the Perris Valley Chamber of Commerce gave an update on community events. *Tim Rodgers of the Perris Valley Chamber of Commerce gave an update on community events.*

**11. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. Councilmember Rogers announced that on Saturday, December 17, from 12-3 p.m., the Free Indeed Church at 430 S. "D" Street would be having their annual toy giveaway. And on the same day at 2:00 p.m., the Freedom Community Church at 519 N. Perris Boulevard would be hosting the annual Christmas Dinner. *Councilmember Rogers announced a toy giveaway and an annual Christmas Dinner for the benefit of the public.*
- B. Councilmember Yarbrough expressed appreciation to the many volunteers who dedicated countless hours in the last year to City programs and functions, and in particular, the recent Holiday Parade. He wished everyone happy, safe holidays and a prosperous New Year. *Councilmember Yarbrough expressed appreciation to community volunteers and wished everyone happy, safe holidays.*
- C. Councilmember Landers wanted to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and remind everyone of the reason for the season. *Councilmember Landers extended Christmas greetings to everyone.*

**12. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

A. City Manager Apodaca reported that the Perris Progress Project at Ethanac and the I-215 was scheduled for groundbreaking at the end of January. He commented that signed tenants presently included WinCo, Goodyear Tires and Bank of America, with the potential of other national tenant interests, possibly including Costco. He said there was also some interest in a regional hospital in Perris, and Staff was presently working with the hospital development company to help them find a good site for the project. Mr. Apodaca also announced that a joint-effort drainage project of the County, City, and the Federal Economic Development Agency would have a groundbreaking in February. Finally, Redlands Park development would be going to bid in January, with award of the contract in February and commencement of construction in March.

*City Manager Apodaca reported on the Perris Progress Project, a possible regional hospital project, a joint-effort drainage project, and Redlands Park development.*

**13. CLOSED SESSION:**

The City Council met in Closed Session at 7:20 p.m.

*Closed Session began at 7:20 p.m.*

Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation  
Government Code Section 54956.9(b) - one case.

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The City Council reconvened in Open Session at 8:10 p.m. to report on Closed Session matters. On Agenda Item 13.A. the Council met with its legal counsel regarding one case of anticipated litigation. Direction was given to the City Attorney, but no reportable action was taken.

*The City Council reconvened in Open Session at 8:10 to report on Closed Session matters. On Agenda Item 13.A. the Council met with its legal counsel regarding one case of anticipated litigation. Direction was given to the City Attorney, but no reportable action was taken.*

**14. ADJOURNMENT:**

By unanimous consent, the Joint City Council, Redevelopment Agency, PPFA and PPUA Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

*8:15 p.m. Joint City Council, Redevelopment Agency, PPFA and PPUA Meeting was adjourned.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Margaret Rey, City Clerk