

CITY OF PERRIS

MINUTES: Special City Council Meeting
Date of Meeting: 15 February, 2003
Time of Meeting: 4:00 p.m.
Place of Meeting: City Council Chambers-City Hall

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Honorable Mayor Busch opened the Special City Council Meeting at 4:00 p.m. and requested City Clerk Rey to call the roll.

4:00 p.m. Called to Order

2. ROLL CALL:

Council Members Present: Yarbrough, Landers, Motte, Busch

Council Member Absent: Rita Rogers

Staff Members Present: City Attorney Dunn and City Clerk Rey

Four Councilmembers present

Councilmember Rogers absent

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

James De Aguilera, Attorney representing the City Manager, Bill Vasquez requested to address the City Council in order to make some clarifications and work through any misunderstandings that had occurred at the last City Council Meeting.

Attorney De Aguilera clarifies

Lenwood Long voiced concerns with some Councilmembers in violation of FPPC's Conflict of Interest rules, court case allegations and continuing problems regarding procedures to agendize items.

Lenwood Long citizen voices concerns

Brian Vidal made reference to the Brown Act, its purpose and how it affects Closed Session items.

Brian Vidal makes reference to the Brown Act

Kelly Kaus voiced concerns regarding the possibility of litigation and the financial impact to the City.

Kelly Kaus voices concerns

Sister Marsha Allen from the Global Church hoped that the Council would try to work out a solution and encouraged the City Council to take their time in attaining decisions.

Sister Marsha Allen hopes Council will work out a solution

Mayor Busch informed the public that there were certain restrictions that applied to the City Council under the Brown Act. He defended the actions of the City Council and felt that every action taken in Closed Session was with accordance to the Brown Act.

Mayor Busch informs the public there are certain restrictions under the Brown Act

4. **CLOSED SESSION:**

- A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation
Government Code Section 54957
City Manager

Eric Dunn, City Attorney reported that on Thursday night the City Council had met in Closed Session on a Performance Review of the City Manager, at that time no action was taken that was reportable under the Brown Act. Mr. Dunn stated that, "The City Manager was not placed on administrative leave; was not terminated; the Council did not accept his resignation. The Council did instruct me as the City Attorney to negotiate with Mr. Vasquez's attorney in regards to a possible resignation. Due to subsequent events in part and other reasons which because these are sensitive personnel matters they are not public, the Council determined that the negotiations would be unsuccessful and they actually felt forced to take immediate action, which is why the unusual step of having a meeting on a Saturday afternoon. The Council has voted unanimously to terminate Mr. Vasquez's employment contract and pay him his severance benefits pursuant to the contract."

Attorney Eric Dunn reported on agenda item 4.A Public Employee Performance Evaluation Government Code Section 54957. The Council voted unanimously to terminate Mr. Vasquez's employment contract and pay him his severance benefits in pursuant to the contract

5. **ADJOURNMENT:** By unanimous consent the Special City Council Meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

5:20 p.m. Special City Council Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret Rey, City Clerk