## REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF COSTA MESA

JULY 5, 2005

The City Council of the City of Costa Mesa, California, met in regular session Tuesday, July 5, 2005, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Council Member Foley, and a moment of solemn expression led by Pastor Bill Gartner, Harbor Christian Fellowship.

**ROLL CALL** 

Council Members Present: Mayor Allan Mansoor

Council Member Eric Bever Council Member Linda Dixon Council Member Katrina Foley

Council Members Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Gary Monahan

Officials Present: City Manager Allan Roeder

City Attorney Kimberly Hall

Barlow

Assistant City Attorney

Harold Potter

**Development Services Director** 

**Donald Lamm** 

Public Services Director William

Morris

Transportation Services Manager

Peter Naghavi

Legislative and Public Affairs

Manager Ann Shultz Management Analyst Carol

**Proctor** 

Deputy City Clerk Julie Folcik

PRESENTATION
Parks and Recreation
Month

Mayor Mansoor read a proclamation declaring July, 2005, as Parks and Recreation Month, and encouraged residents to enjoy the social, physical, and mental benefits derived from the City parks and recreation activities. He presented the proclamation to Byron DeArakal, Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman, and recognized Bruce Hartley, Maintenance Services Manager; and Jana Ransom, Recreation Manager.

PRESENTATION Employees of the Month

Mayor Mansoor congratulated Code Enforcement Officers Ed Roberts and Mitt Seely, Development Services Department/Building Safety Division, on being named Employees of the Month for July, 2005. He recognized Ed and Mitt for their conscientious and self-motivated work ethic, citing their teamwork as crucial to property improvement efforts.

PRESENTATION Orange County Fair

Mayor Mansoor read a proclamation which stated that the Orange County Fair has provided Costa Mesa and Orange County families with exciting, stimulating, and good old-fashioned American fun for 113 years. He introduced Jim Barich, President of the Fair Board, and Becky Bailey-Findley, General Manager, 32<sup>nd</sup> District Agricultural Association, 88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, who reported that the 113<sup>th</sup> Orange County Fair opens July 8, 2005, for 21 days, offers something for everyone, and the theme for 2005 is "Year of the Avocado".

# PUBLIC COMMENT Fireworks

Mildred Nicholson, Costa Mesa, reiterated her objections to the City's tolerance of fireworks on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, stating that it prevents residents from enjoying their own homes. She observed that most of the fireworks this year were illegal, and noted the lack of visible police officers and helicopters patrolling her neighborhood. She suggested ridding the west side of Costa Mesa of fireworks stands and other associated problems prior to instituting a grand plan for revitalization.

Costa Mesa residents Donald Nicholson, Terry Shaw, Beth Refakes, and Mark Kandarian asked that the sale and use of fireworks be prohibited in Costa Mesa.

### Hogan-Shereshevsky Comments

Anne Hogan Shereshevsky, Costa Mesa, stated that her trip to Washington D.C. for the White House Conference on Aging had been postponed until December, 2005. She reported that the bus stop at Pomona Avenue and 19<sup>th</sup> Street was temporarily out of commission which has inconvenienced a senior citizen who regularly attends functions at the Costa Mesa Senior Center. Ms. Hogan-Shereshevsky, addressing fireworks, provided a list of fireworks stands in Costa Mesa, and asked how non-profit organizations in other cities raised money. Mayor Mansoor indicated that the City will be providing a report on 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks activity.

# "Moment of Solemn Expression"

Richard Gillock, Costa Mesa, believed that the "Moment of Solemn Expression" given at the beginning of the meeting contained an expressly Christian message which he believed to be inappropriate. He proposed deleting that portion of the meeting.

# Human Relations Committee

Kim Clark, Costa Mesa, protested Council's decision at the meeting of June 21, 2005, to deny funds to the Human Relations Committee. She commented that the purpose of the committee is to advise Council on matters of social significance and to recommend and implement projects. She asked that the decision be reconsidered.

#### Fireworks Stands

Gary Spencer, Costa Mesa, speaking on behalf of the 28 non-profit organizations which operated the fireworks stands in Costa Mesa, thanked Council for their support. He commented that without this funding many of the programs would not be able to function, let alone flourish. He provided petitions containing 2,000 signatures of registered Costa Mesa voters who support retaining fireworks in the City.

### East Side Traffic Issues

Stephan Geramias, Costa Mesa, commented on the increase of traffic and speeding violations on Broadway, Flower Street, Magnolia Avenue, and 19<sup>th</sup> Street, as well as an increased number of police officers in that area. He asked that traffic impact on the east side be reassessed when considering improvements to Newport Boulevard. The City Manager replied that residents had requested additional traffic officers to patrol that neighborhood, and Transportation Services is determining alternative actions for Broadway which will be discussed at the City Council Study Session on July 12, 2005, at 4:30 p.m., in first floor Conference Room 1A.

#### Skate Park

Cindy Brenneman, Costa Mesa, congratulated the Parks and Recreation Divisions and everyone connected with the new Skate Park on an excellent venue, and proposed that there should be an "Over 45" night, aided by professional skaters.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items were removed from the Consent Calendar: Item No. 5, Agreement with Scott Fazekas & Associates, to administer the Hazardous Materials Disclosure Program; Item No. 8, Change Order No. 6 to the contract with California Landscape and Design, Inc., doing business as California Skateparks, for TeWinkle Park Skate Park, Project No. 04-19; and Item No. 9, Award of contract for Parkway Concrete Repair, Project No. 05-12, to S. Parker Engineering, Inc.

MOTION/Approved Except Item Nos. 5, 8, and 9

On motion by Mayor Mansoor, seconded by Council Member Foley, and carried 4-0, the remaining Consent Calendar items were approved as recommended.

#### READING FOLDER

The following Reading Folder items were received and processed:

Claims

Claims received by the Deputy City Clerk: Phillip Moore; Chester Moss; Jose Orozco Munoz; Gary E. Rubin; and Christopher G. Williams.

**ABC License** 

Request for Alcoholic Beverage Control License from El Matador, 1768 Newport Boulevard, for a person-to-person transfer of an existing Type 47 ABC License (on-sale general for a bona fide eating place).

#### Public Utilities Commission

Southern California Gas Company filed Application No. A.05-06-012 with the Public Utilities Commission requesting approval of proposed 2006-2007 funding for Low-Income Programs; and A.05-06-011 requesting approval of proposed 2006-2008 energy-efficiency programs and budgets.

Southern California Gas Company filed Application No. 05-06-030 with the Public Utilities Commission requesting approval of a proposed rate increase.

#### Follow-up Reports

The following concerns received follow-up reports from staff:

Staff responded to a request from Beth Refakes at the meeting of June 7, 2005, regarding repairs at the West Side Police Substation which she thought may not be completed in time for the annual pancake breakfast.

Staff responded to a request from Donald Nicholson at the meeting of June 7, 2005, regarding the apparent decrease in street sweeping effectiveness following a holiday.

MINUTES April 19, 2005 Minutes of the regular meeting of April 19, 2005, were approved as distributed.

#### WARRANTS

The following warrants were approved:

Approved Warrant 2047/Payroll 504 and 503A Warrant Resolution 2063, funding Payroll No. 512 for \$2,039,858.57, and City operating expenses for \$908,098.03, including payroll deductions.

Approved Warrant 2048

Warrant Resolution 2064, funding City operating expenses for \$1,597,560.61.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS/Approved Hazardous Material Amendment The first amendment was approved to the agreement with the County of Orange, Health Care Agency, Environmental Health, regarding implementation of unified program elements for hazardous material, providing for the California Accidental Release

Prevention Plan Program to be administered by the County, and the City Manager and Deputy City Clerk were authorized to sign on behalf of the City.

# Accepted Grant from FEMA for CERT Program

A grant was accepted from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), in the amount of \$6,701.00, for the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program and Citizen Corps expenditures, and Budget Adjustment No. 05-085 was approved for \$6,701.00.

#### Authorized Letter of Support Appropriations Request

The Mayor was authorized to send a letter of support for Fiscal Year 2006 Federal Appropriations Request to various community organizations, institutions, businesses, and elected officials.

#### Agreement with Scott Fazekas for Hazardous Materials Disclosure Program

Item No. 5 on the Consent Calendar was presented: An agreement with Scott Fazekas & Associates, to administer the Hazardous Materials Disclosure Program. Sam Clark, Costa Mesa, noted that this agreement was awarded to a company located in Irvine, and encouraged the use of Costa Mesa businesses.

# MOTION/Approved Agreement

On motion by Mayor Mansoor, seconded by Council Member Dixon, and carried 4-0, the agreement with Scott Fazekas & Associates, 9 Corporate Park, Irvine, was approved, as a sole source vendor, to provide a Hazardous Materials Specialist to administer the Hazardous Materials Disclosure Program, for an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00, for a period of one year, with two additional extensions of one year each, upon satisfactory performance, and the Mayor and Deputy City Clerk were authorized to sign on behalf of the City.

Change Order No. 6 to California Skateparks Contract for TeWinkle Park Skate Park, Project No. 04-19 Item No. 8 on the Consent Calendar was presented: Change Order No. 6 to the contract with California Landscape and Design, Inc., doing business as California Skateparks, for TeWinkle Park Skate Park, Project No. 04-19, to construct a perforated steel plaza cover and supporting structures not included in the original contract due to budgetary limitations at that time; and reduction of the retention to five percent of the contract price. Council Member Foley asked that this item be continued in order to investigate if the \$120,000.00 could be put to better use such as constructing a spectator seating area or installing padding along the fence line to protect the skaters. Additionally, she proposed backpack holders, and commented that the money should be used for practical items rather than aesthetic.

### MOTION/To Approve Died

A motion was made by Mayor Mansoor to approve Change Order No. 6. The motion died for lack of a second.

MOTION/Continued to July 19, 2005

A motion was made by Council Member Foley, seconded by Council Member Dixon, and carried 3-1, Mayor Mansoor voting no, to continue this item to the Council meeting of July 19, 2005.

Parkway Concrete Repair, Project No. 05-12 Item No. 9 on the Consent Calendar was presented: Award of contract for Parkway Concrete Repair, Project No. 05-12, to S. Parker Engineering, Inc. Mayor Mansoor indicated that Mr. Clark had included this item in his comments regarding Consent Calendar Item No. 5.

# MOTION/Awarded Contract to S. Parker

On motion by Mayor Mansoor, seconded by Council Member Dixon, and carried 4-0, the contract was awarded to S. Parker Engineering, Inc., 10059 Whippoorwill Avenue, Fountain Valley, for

\$584,500.00 (base bid), and the Mayor and Deputy City Clerk were authorized to sign on behalf of the City.

PUBLIC HEARING SR55/Newport Blvd. Improvements Project The Deputy City Clerk announced that this is the time and place set for the public hearing to consider a resolution approving the SR 55/Newport Boulevard Improvements Project between 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Streets. The Affidavits of Publishing and Mailing are on file in the City Clerk's office. The Transportation Services Manager reviewed the Agenda Report dated June 15, 2005. Jeff Bingham, Sequeira Infrastructure Associates, addressed environmental issues, and observed that public comments had been received, responded to, and resolved, and he and the Transportation Services Manager responded to questions from Council.

The owner of Omar's Custom Framing and Peter's Gallery on Newport Boulevard endorsed the project, stating that it was wellplanned, attractive, and will improve the area.

Heather Somers, Costa Mesa, supported the plan, and explained that cut-through traffic remains a concern for residents of the east side. She asked that the East Side Traffic Study be resurrected to review traffic calming elements. She believed that improved parking would encourage pedestrian traffic, suggesting that the "V" at the intersection of 17<sup>th</sup> Street and Newport Boulevard be utilized for additional parking.

Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa, opposed the widening of Newport Boulevard believing that additional lanes would increase cut-through traffic on the east side. She thought that speeding up traffic would not contribute to a pedestrian friendly atmosphere, and commented on the jaywalking problems in the area.

There being no other speakers, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

MOTION/Adopted Resolution 05-46

On motion by Mayor Mansoor, seconded by Council Member Bever, and carried 4-0, Resolution 05-46, was adopted as corrected to include the reference to the Mitigated Negative Declaration: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE SR-55/NEWPORT BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT BETWEEN 17<sup>th</sup> AND 19<sup>th</sup> STREETS; adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration, and authorized staff to proceed with final design and right-of-way phases.

Council Member Dixon supported the motion but stated her reluctance to increase lanes and traffic on Newport Boulevard.

MOTION/Gave
Directions to Staff

A motion was made by Council Member Bever, seconded by Mayor Mansoor, and carried 4-0, to request the State Department of Transportation (CalTrans) to amend the current master plan alignment for State Route 55 south of 19<sup>th</sup> Street and to proceed with development of grade separated alternatives along the alignment of existing Newport Boulevard; and staff was directed to advise the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) of the request so they may consider funding for a grade separated alternative in any future Measure M reauthorization placed before the voters of Orange County.

Regarding the public parking on 17<sup>th</sup> Street, the City Manager suggested that staff initiate further discussions with the property owner, and bring the matter before the Redevelopment Agency.

#### **RECESS**

The Mayor declared a recess at 8:15 p.m., and reconvened the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

#### OLD BUSINESS Medical Marijuana Dispensaries

The Deputy City Clerk presented from the meeting of June 21, 2005, second reading and adoption of Ordinance 05-11, to prohibit the establishment of medical marijuana dispensaries in the City of Costa Mesa. A communication was received from Steph Sherer, Executive Director, Americans for Safe Access.

Will Johnson, Huntington Beach, expressed interest in opening a "collective" to provide access to medical marijuana for qualified medical patients. He objected to the ordinance, stating that it is illadvised and poorly written, and asked that the ordinance be rejected.

Joann Fitt, objected to the moral "tone" of the ordinance, and felt that the definition of dispensary was extremely limited and in conflict with the State Health and Safety Code.

Leroy Rowland, Costa Mesa, resident and business owner, observed that he has never had a problem with marijuana users.

Mark Fitt, Costa Mesa, observed that the ordinance fails to mention Senate Bill 420 which explicitly allows for conduct which the ordinance will disallow, and addressed other language contained therein which he considered inappropriate.

Kandice Hawes, Anaheim, indicated that she is employed by a doctor who provides recommendations for qualified sick patients to obtain marijuana, and spoke in favor of legal dispensaries.

Joe, last name unknown, resident of Orange County, stated that he is an advocate for marijuana use.

Mayor Mansoor supported the second reading of the ordinance, believing that an already existing legitimate source, such as a pharmacy, would be more appropriate. The City Attorney responded to questions from Council.

# MOTION/To Adopt Failed to Carry

A motion was made by Mayor Mansoor, seconded by Council Member Bever, to give second reading to and adopt Ordinance 05-11, to prohibit the establishment of medical marijuana dispensaries in the City of Costa Mesa. The motion failed to carry 2-2, Council Member Foley and Council Member Dixon voting no.

The City Attorney clarified that this item, due to the tied vote, would be addressed at the meeting of July 19, 2005, and that the Americans with Disabilities and State Law issues, previously raised, could be reviewed prior to that time. No further action was taken.

#### NEW BUSINESS Fairview Park Bike Trail

The Deputy City Clerk presented a request from the Parks and Recreation Commission for the Public Services Department staff to research the feasibility of constructing a bike trail along the Fairview Flood Control Channel, owned and maintained by the Orange County Flood Control District (OCFCD), at Fairview Park. The Public Services Director reviewed the Agenda Report dated June 23, 2005.

Richard Gillock, Costa Mesa, supported construction of a bike trail along the channel.

Robert Graham, Costa Mesa, Parks and Recreation Commissioner, speaking as an individual, observed that the proposed trail would provide direct access from Costa Mesa to the beach, and showed photographs of the area where it would be constructed. He supported the project from a safety and aesthetic standpoint.

MOTION/Gave Directions to Staff

A motion was made by Council Member Dixon, seconded by Council Member Foley, and carried 4-0, to authorize staff to contact the Orange County Flood Control District to inquire regarding the feasibility of the project, the probability of entering into an agreement, and the cost of the project, and further directed staff to explore connecting 19<sup>th</sup> Street to the bike trail.

Heather Somers, Costa Mesa, thought that since 19<sup>th</sup> Street had not been included in the discussion prior to the motion, she questioned the appropriateness of including it in the motion. The City Attorney replied that the direction to staff was acceptable.

NEW BUSINESS Friends of the Costa Mesa Libraries

The Deputy City Clerk presented the Reimbursement to Friends of the Costa Mesa Libraries of the Minor Conditional Use Permit Planning Fee of \$805.00, and a request from Friends of the Costa Mesa Libraries for a donation of \$7,500.00 for the moving and set-up expense for a future bookstore building. A communication was received from Friends of the Costa Mesa Libraries. The Management Analyst reviewed the Agenda Report dated June 23, 2005.

Mary Ellen Goddard, Costa Mesa, President of Friends of the Costa Mesa Libraries, reported that the signage previously agreed to will be installed in Civic Center Park this week; an agreement in principle has been made to merge with the Costa Mesa Library Foundation as the primary fundraising organization; and the first pledges in excess \$50,000.00 were received. She reviewed the goals of the Friends and the benefits to the City.

Dan Worthington, Costa Mesa, completed the presentation and asked for the City's support.

In response to questions from Council, the City Manager recommended that staff prepare a specific recommendation on funding options.

MOTION/Waived Fee; Gave Directions to Staff A motion was made by Council Member Bever, seconded by Council Member Foley, and carried 4-0, to waive all fees relative to the temporary building, including the \$850.00 for the Minor Conditional Use Permit Planning Fee; the requested donation of \$7,500.00 was to be taken under consideration; and staff was directed to report back on funding options.

Mayor Mansoor supported the motion, and commented that his concern with the donation was in regarded to "fiscal prudence".

NEW BUSINESS Air Fair The Deputy City Clerk presented a resolution in support of Air Fair, an organization with the mission of halting the expansion of John Wayne Airport. Mayor Mansoor reported that he had placed this item on the agenda, and explained that the goal of the organization is to limit the expansion of John Wayne Airport (JWA). The Legislative and Public Affairs Manager summarized the Agenda Report dated June 22, 2005.

Nancy Alston, Newport Beach, member of Air Fair, stated that there are seven cities affected by JWA, and their group was formed to address the airport which is growing more than 8 percent per year and is an overwhelming threat to the quality of life. She indicated that they are organizing by neighborhoods and currently represent 20,000 people. She provided a website of <a href="https://www.jwairfair.com">www.jwairfair.com</a>, and handed out copies of their newsletter.

Heather Somers, Costa Mesa, supported the resolution and encouraged Council to investigate alternatives, including researching what other cities are doing regarding remote transportation. She called regional transportation planning the key to addressing Southern California transportation needs.

Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa, opposed expansion of JWA, and possible changes in operation due to further expansion.

MOTION/Adopted Resolution 05-47

On motion by Council Member Dixon, seconded by Mayor Mansoor, and carried 4-0, Resolution 05-47 was adopted: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF AIR FAIR.

Mayor Mansoor asked that the City provide a link to Air Fair from the City's website, if it is legally appropriate.

NEW BUSINESS Medical Marijuana Dispensaries The Deputy City Clerk presented a resolution requesting that the League of California Cities work to resolve the inconsistencies in State and Federal law pertaining to medical marijuana dispensaries. The City Attorney reviewed the Agenda Report dated June 23, 2005. The Legislative and Public Affairs Manager stated that the League staff in Sacramento are aware of the inconsistencies and are working to combine the State and Federal law.

Will Johnson, Huntington Beach, applauded Council for taking this step.

Heather Somers, Costa Mesa, in reference to the second reading of Ordinance 05-11, to be addressed at the meeting of July 19, 2004, asked if the ordinance should not in fact receive a second first reading since the text may be changed. The City Attorney replied that a substantive change would require a second first reading. Ms. Somers encouraged Council to determine the intentions of the League of California Cities prior to adopting the ordinance.

Leroy Rowland, Costa Mesa, thought that the dispensaries should work with the police.

MOTION/Adopted Resolution 05-48

On motion by Council Member Dixon, seconded by Council Member Foley, and carried 3-1, Mayor Mansoor voting no, Resolution 05-48 was adopted: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THAT THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES WORK TO RESOLVE THE INCONSISTENCIES IN STATE AND FEDERAL LAW PERTAINING TO MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES.

Council Member Foley commented that the resolution is separate from the action on the ordinance, and the rationale for adopting the resolution is that guidance is needed throughout the State.

#### **RECESS**

The Mayor declared a recess at 9:55 p.m., and reconvened the meeting at 10:10 p.m.

#### NEW BUSINESS Brown Act Violations

The Deputy City Clerk presented a letter from Council Member Dixon alleging Brown Act violations at the meeting of May 17, 2005: Recommendations for use of \$200,000.00 in funds from the Segerstrom Home Ranch Development Agreement originally designated for the relocation and renovation of the Huscroft House; and Allocation of IKEA Public Project Contribution. The City Attorney suggested that in light of the allegation of a Brown Act Violation, that the two items in question be reconsidered and new action be taken. Council Member Dixon reviewed her complaint as contained in the Agenda Report dated June 28, 2005.

Council Member Bever explained that at the subject meeting, he was trying to move the decision-making process along, and indicated that he took offense to the questioning of his honesty and integrity.

Rich Gillock, Costa Mesa, opposed a revote on the two items from May 17, 2005, and suggested that a "third party" review the situation. He expressed concern that the "evidence" had been destroyed.

Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa, addressing the Huscroft House funds, stated that the Estancia Adobe is in dire need of repair.

Mary Ellen Goddard, Costa Mesa, approved of the original votes on May 17, 2005.

Cindy Brenneman, Costa Mesa, speaking on behalf of the Costa Mesa Community Foundation, supported the previous decisions regarding restoration of TeWinkle Park and the funding of Angel's Playground.

David Wilson, C. J. Segerstrom and Sons, supported the two previous decisions, and asked that they be reaffirmed.

Doug Hansen, Costa Mesa, asked that Council reaffirm the vote for Angel's Charity.

The City Attorney responded to questions from Council. Mayor Mansoor referred to the note as "insignificant", agreeing with Council Member Bever that the intent was to move the meeting along. He apologized for any misunderstanding. Council Member Foley thought that the incident should not be minimized.

# MOTION/Authorized Rehearing Items

A motion was made by Mayor Mansoor, seconded by Council Member Bever, to take curative action and rehear the items regarding the use of the funds for the Segerstrom Home Ranch Development originally designated for the Huscroft House and the IKEA Public Project contribution and address these items separately.

#### SUBSTITUTE MOTION/Withdrawn

A substitute motion was made by Council Member Foley to take curative action to confirm the prior vote on the funds for the Segerstrom Home Ranch Development and the IKEA Public Project. After discussion, Council Member Foley withdrew the substitute motion.

The original motion carried 4-0.

MOTION/Reaffirmed Home Ranch May 17, 2005, Decision On motion by Mayor Mansoor, seconded by Council Member Dixon, and carried 4-0, the action taken at the May 17, 2005, Council Meeting regarding the \$200,000.00 from the Segerstrom Home Ranch Development Agreement, was approved.

MOTION/Reaffirmed IKEA May 17, 2005, Decision

On motion by Mayor Mansoor, seconded by Council Member Dixon, and carried 4-0, the action taken at the May 17, 2005, Council Meeting regarding the IKEA Public Project Contribution, was approved.

MOTION/Received and Filed Report; Gave Directions to Staff On motion by Mayor Mansoor, seconded by Council Member Bever, and carried 4-0, the report was received and filed, and staff was directed to notify Council Member Dixon, in writing, of the curative action taken.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT/4<sup>th</sup> of July

The City Manager reported that a recap report on fireworks activity and enforcement will be prepared within the next 30 days, and will also include data from the Orange County Fire Authority. He commended the Police and Fire Departments, and Telecommunications for their service to the community on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Costa Mesa Senior Center Website Council Member Dixon announced that the Costa Mesa Senior Center has a new website, <a href="www.cmseniorcenter.org">www.cmseniorcenter.org</a>, and asked if it is linked to the City's website.

Triangle Square

Council Member Bever informed that a small house, two bedroom, two and one-half bath, on the west side of Costa Mesa sold this week for \$1,389,000.00. He observed that the Orange County Register newspaper regularly targets the City, specifically for the Triangle Square Redevelopment Project, and clarified that the project was a success with the original ownership, and the current owner lives outside of the country and is not motivated to ensure the projects success. He asked that Triangle Square be placed on an upcoming Redevelopment Agency agenda to address condemnation of the property.

Mayor Mansoor opposed condemning the Triangle Square property, stating that with the right management it could be successful. He thanked the Police and Fire Departments for their efforts on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.