Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.
Roll Call:  Councilman West, Mayor Pro Tem Irish, Councilman Hamilton, Councilman Stadtherr, Mayor Martinez

CLOSED SESSION:

A. CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO:
   1 - GOVERNMENT CODE § 54956.9(c) – CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -
       ANTICIPATED LITIGATION: ONE CASE.
   2 – GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8 – CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY
       NEGOTIATORS/PROPERTY: APN 302-100-013; APN 302-110-059. AGENCY
       NEGOTIATING PARTIES: CITY OF PORTERVILLE AND ROBERT NUCKOLS.
       UNDER NEGOTIATION: TERMS.

7:00 P.M. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

REPORT ON ANY ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

   No Action to Report

Pledge of Allegiance Led by Mayor Pro Tem Ron Irish
Invocation by Pastor Tom West, Westfield Christian Church

   Mayor Martinez stated that the signing sheets for the Ronald Reagan Library would be in the
   hallway that evening, and at the Chamber through Friday.

PRESENTATIONS

   Paul Saldana, President/Executive Director, Economic Development Corporation
   (EDC staff also present: Linda Douglas, Karen Ford, Deana Chamberlain and Joy Downs)
   Report on the State of Economic Development

   City Manager’s Featured Project
   Downtown Parking Lot Project, Phase I - Hockett and Division Street

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

•  Dick Eckhoff, Downtown Porterville Association, 180 N. Main, spoke regarding the June 1,
   2004, City Council Minutes. On page 5 of 12 there was a question on the number of people
   present at meetings, and it was 75; on page 6 of 12 where he spoke to that, the number given
   was 23; the comments he made that “he is not in favor of a flat rate and still supports the
   150/50 option” were statements made on behalf of the Board; on page 11 of 12, his comments
   again were on behalf of the Downtown Board as he was directed at a Board Meeting.

•  Becky Griffith, 1732 W. Juliann. She was turned down for a business license for a curb
   painting business for address numbers on curbs, so she wants Council to rethink the ordinance
   prohibiting this; She also spoke on the poor condition of Veterans Park playground equipment,
   i.e. the slide.
Staff was directed to place the curb painting item on the next agenda. Ms. Griffith was asked to call the City Manager.

- Phil Aiken, Pastor of Porterville Church of God, 940 W. Westfield (soon to be Jubilee Lane), asked Council to allow the use of Jesus’ name in Council invocations.

- James McElfish, 39 Carmelita, stated atheists offended him, and the ACLU should use their own date instead of using the Year 2004 as it is the year of the Lord.

Mayor Martinez thanked everyone for coming, and thanked Channel 30 for attending.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Items 1 and 3 were removed.

2. **BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE 2003/2004 FISCAL YEAR**

Recommendation: That the Council approves the attached budget adjustments and authorize staff to modify revenue and expenditure estimates as described on the attached schedule.

Documentation: Minute Order No. 01-051504

Disposition: Approved

4. **ACCEPTANCE OF DOWNTOWN PARKING PROJECT – HOCKETT AND DIVISION PARKING LOT, PHASE I**

Recommendation: That City Council:

1. Accept the Downtown Parking Project, Hockett and Division Parking Lot, Phase I as complete;
2. Authorize the filing of the Notice of Completion; and
3. Authorize the release of the 10% retention thirty-five (35) days after recordation, provided no stop notices have been filed.

Documentation: Minute Order No. 02-051504

Disposition: Approved

5. **ACCEPTANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS – RIVER VIEW ESTATES, PHASE 3 SUBDIVISION (G.W. HOME, INC.)**

Recommendation: That City Council:

1. Accept the public improvements of River View Estates, Phase 3 Subdivision for maintenance; and
2. Authorize the filing of the Notice of Completion, and release the payment guarantee thirty-five (35) days after recordation, provided no liens have been filed.
6. **ACCEPTANCE OF APPRAISED VALUE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT APN No. 245-390-008 – REBA R. ROMERI & NENNA RAE KIRSCHNER – HENDERSON AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

**Recommendation:** That City Council:
1. Authorize staff to begin escrow, with the City paying escrow fees;
2. Authorize staff to make payment to Reba R. Romeri & Nenna Rae Kirschner, co-trustees of the Romeri Family Trust, in the amount of $12,429.00, after completion of escrow;
3. Authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary documents; and
4. Authorize staff to record all documents with the County Recorder.

**Documentation:** Minute Order No. 03-051504  
**Disposition:** Approved

7. **AMENDMENT TO TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 10-2001 – REMOVING MOTORCYCLE PARKING AT 30 N. MAIN ST.**

**Recommendation:** That City Council approve the proposed amendments to Traffic Resolution No. 10-2001.

**Documentation:** Resolution No. 71-04  
**Disposition:** Approved

8. **STATE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE – POPULATION AND HOUSING ESTIMATE**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council authorize the Mayor to sign a request for State Certification for the City of Porterville’s January 1, 2004 population estimate of 43,150.

**Documentation:** Minute Order No. 04-061504  
**Disposition:** Approved

9. **REQUEST FOR TWO TEMPORARY MODULAR STRUCTURES FOR THE PORTERVILLE EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:
1. Adopt the attached resolution and conditions of approval for the temporary modular structures for a period of time expiring on September 16, 2004.

**Documentation:** Resolution No. 73-2004  
**Disposition:** Approved
10. FORMATION OF LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 29

Recommendation: That the City Council: Approve the following resolutions: 1) A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Porterville, California, Instituting Proceedings for the Formation of Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No. 29, Ordering Preparation of the District Map indicating the proposed District boundary, and Ordering the Preparation of the required report; 2) A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Porterville Giving Preliminary Approval to Engineer’s Report for Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No. 29; and, 3) A resolution of the City Council of the City of Porterville, County of Tulare, California, Declaring Its Intention to Order the Formation of Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No. 29 and to be assessed the cost and expense thereof, designating formation of Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No. 29; determining that these proceedings shall be taken pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972; and offering a time and place for hearing objections thereto.

Documentation: Resolution No. 74-2004, 75-2004, and 76-2004
Disposition: Approved

11. LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT – CITY ATTORNEY

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Approve the Legal Services Agreement; and
2. Authorize the Mayor to execute the Legal Services Agreement on behalf of the City Council.

Documentation: Minute Order No. 05-061504
Disposition: Approved

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Stadtherr, SECONDED by Council Member West to approve items 2, and 4 through 11. The motion carried unanimously.

1. CITY COUNCIL MINUTES FOR MAY 18 AND 25, AND JUNE 1, 2004

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Stadtherr, SECONDED by Council Member West to approve the minutes with the revisions requested to the minutes for the June 1, 2004 meeting.

M.O. 06-061504
AYES: West, Hamilton, Stadtherr, Martinez
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Irish
ABSENT: None
3. AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS – TULE RIVER PARKWAY, PHASE II

Recommendation: That City Council:
1. Approve the Plans and Project Manual: and
2. Authorize staff to advertise for bids on the project

Council Member Hamilton asked why a re-appropriation of another $25,000 was being requested, and how the numbers could be that far off.

Public Works Director Baldo Rodriguez replied by stating that the City uses the figures from the consultant, and that the contractors have stated that field and insurance costs have increased. This required the City to re-visit each of the bid items and they came up with this amount, which may be on the high side, but better a little too high than, too low.

City Manager John Longley stated that staff double scrutinizes every bid now, and this is a result of that scrutiny.

Parks and Leisure Services Director Jim Perrine clarified that the grant received for this project is only an 88.5% matching grant, requiring the City to provide the other 11.5%.

Council Member Hamilton asked if Council had already authorized the $248,000.

The City Manager stated that there has not been an official estimate approved by Council as of yet, and that the official estimate is being presented at this time.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Hamilton, SECONDED by Council Member Stadtherr to accept staff’s recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

M.O. 07-061504

Disposition: Approved

PUBLIC HEARINGS

12. BUDGET ADOPTION FOR THE 2004-05 FISCAL YEAR

Recommendation: (1) That the Council conduct a public hearing to receive comment on the proposed 2004-2005 fiscal year budgets for both the General Fund and Enterprise and Internal Service Funds.

(2) That Council approve the attached resolution adopting the 2004–2005 fiscal year budgets, as modified by the City Council.
(3) That Council approve the shifting of one temporary agency employee to a limited-term part-time City employee in the Literacy program to maximize the grant proceeds available.

The City Manager stated that staff has been working since January of this year to put this budget together, and that there has been a considerable amount of effort on the part of the staff to find an approach that looks forward, and is proactive, that also contains a specific spending plan for this year and has milestones for review.

He also stated that it was important to note that this year’s budget is a deficit budget. The budget being proposed in round numbers contains a structural deficit of approximately $450,000, and a cash deficit of 1.2 million. The reason the cash deficit is greater than the structural is because the cash deficit contains certain one-time expenditures, major spending expenditures for such things as the General Plan, and the creation of a proposed reserve fund for payment of G.O. debt.

Deputy City Manager Darrel Pyle then presented the staff report to the Council.

The City Manager then stated that the staff report that has been presented contains a few items that did not come out at the study session. The budget resolution does contain a provision that the City will allocate, for the 2005-2006 fiscal year, at least 50% of the funding for equipment replacement. The continuation of the hiring freeze and travel restrictions were also discussed at the study session, and the only modification requested at this time was a change from a contractual employee to a part-time City employee, limited-term literacy program employee. The City did also receive a grant slightly in excess of $100,000 from Indian gaming monies, which is to be used for police and fire. One of the modifications may be where money that is re-used from vehicle accounts, has been raised to purchase vehicles, would be used to address this program partially.

The public hearing opened at 7:52 p.m. and closed to the public at 7:53 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Irish asked that staff explain what is being done with the $458,721.00.

The City Manager stated that money would be an allocation within the general fund, will be specifically reserved for this purpose and will not be part of the general fund cash balance.

Mayor Pro Tem Irish asked if the reserve could be brought back at the next budget to see exactly where that is at, and if it needs to stay there. He then asked that Mr. Pyle expand on the Allocations to General Fund Formula Amounts.

Mr. Pyle explained that historically, the City of Porterville has adopted a budget mechanism designed to account for the cost of inflation and the cost of providing a current level of service to an increasing population; and that formula was addressed by initially increasing departmental budgets by the change in the consumer price index, plus the change in the City population times 75%. In the past few years, based on budget actions by the State of California against cities and counties, the City has been unable to fund that formula growth. So what the City has done is adjust the rollover budgets to account for those costs that the City is contractually obligated to cover. The biggest cost out there on the horizon that needs to be addressed in each operating budget is the additional cost of the Public Employee Retirement System based on the rates distributed by PERS in April of 2004. The impact
of the rate increases will hit the General Fund to the tune of about $625,000. So now the City has to restore those budgets to the amounts necessary to cover the current PERS rates.

Council Member Stadtherr took a moment to thank the other Council members who helped collect signatures a few months back to protect local funds for the ballot.

Mayor Pro Tem Irish asked if the purchase of the hangars with the State Aviation loan money would have to be paid back, and if the interest rate fluctuates.

City Manager Longley stated that the rate did fluctuate somewhat, but that it is relatively low.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member West, SECONDED by Council Member Stadtherr to accept staff’s recommendation.

Resolution 77-2004
AYES: West, Stadtherr, Irish, Martinez

Resolution 78-2004
NOES: Hamilton
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Disposition: Approved

13. SIERRA MEADOWS – TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP (GARY SMEE)

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Adopt the draft resolution approving the Negative Declaration for Sierra Meadows Tentative Subdivision Map; and
2. Adopt the draft resolution approving Sierra Meadows Tentative Subdivision Map.

Brad Dunlap, Community Development Director, presented the staff report.

The hearing was opened to the public at 8:01 p.m. and closed at 8:02 p.m.

Jim Winton, who was representing Gary Smee, came forward to state that the conditions of approval are acceptable to the applicant, and made himself available for any questions Council may have.

Council Member Hamilton asked if the City had the ability to service them with water, sewer, and storm drains.

Public Works Director Baldo Rodriguez stated that there was a sewer main present at this time, and that there were plans for a storm drain system.

Mayor Pro Tem Irish expressed his concerns regarding the roads being partially county, being impacted by traffic, and the street being poorly maintained as is the case with South Newcomb.
Jim Winton spoke regarding Mayor Pro Tem Irish’s concerns, stating that access to Gibbons is not the same as the Newcomb situation, at least until the Jaye Street Reconstruction Project makes the street more easily accessible to trucks.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Hamilton, SECONDED by Council Member West to adopt the draft resolution approving the Negative Declaration for Resolution 79-2004 Sierra Meadows Tentative Subdivision Map. The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Mayor Pro Tem Irish, SECONDED by Council Member Hamilton to adopt the draft resolution approving Sierra Meadows Tentative Subdivision Map. The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

14. GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENTS AND RELATED ACTIONS FOR CENTENNIAL PLAZA PARK AND GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND RELATED ACTIONS FOR COMMERCIAL AND HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PROSPECT STREET AND GRAND AVENUE

Recommendation: That the City Council:
1. Adopt the resolution reaffirming the original Negative Declaration approved for the Formation of Centennial Plaza Park and related Actions.
2. Adopt the draft resolution approving the Negative Declaration Prepared for General Plan Amendment 4-2004 (b), Zone Change 4-2004 and Tentative Parcel Map 4-2004.
3. Adopt the draft resolution approving General Plan Amendment 4-2004 (a).
4. Adopt the draft resolution approving General Plan Amendment 4-2004 (b).
5. Give first reading to the draft ordinance approving Zone Change 2-2004.
6. Give first reading to the draft ordinance approving Zone Change 4-2004.

Community Development Director Brad Dunlap presented the staff report.

The hearing was opened to the public at 8:14 p.m.

Dick Eckhoff, 180 N. Main, Downtown Porterville Association, thanked staff for their efforts to expedite the Centennial Plaza Park Project.

Jim Winton, 150 W. Morton, speaking on behalf of the applicants, stated that the staff report is thorough and complete.
The hearing was closed to the public at 8:16 p.m.

Council Member Hamilton asked why, on Grand Avenue/Prospect, with their density problem, with our housing element would the City want to take R-4 out of the General Fund.

Mr. Dunlap stated that this area is more suited for commercial because of the high volume of traffic on Prospect.

Council Member Stadtherr asked if the City had considered the David Belz property be reverted to R-4 from commercial to keep the same amount of acreage for high density residential.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Mayor Pro Tem Irish, SECONDED by Council Member West to adopt the resolution reaffirming the original Negative Declaration Approved for the Formation of Centennial Plaza Park and related Actions. Resolution 81-2004 The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Hamilton, SECONDED by Mayor Pro Tem Irish to adopt the draft resolution approving the Negative Declaration Prepared for General Plan Amendment 4-2004 (b), Zone Change 4-2004 and Tentative Parcel Map 4-2004. The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Stadtherr, SECONDED by Council Member West to adopt the draft resolution approving General Plan Amendment 4-2004 (a). The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Hamilton, SECONDED by Mayor Pro Tem Irish to adopt the draft resolution approving General Plan Amendment 4-2004 (b). The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member West, SECONDED by Council Member Stadtherr to give first reading to the draft ordinance approving Zone Change 2-2004, being AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 2-2004 BEING A CHANGE OF ZONING FROM C-2 (CENTRAL COMMERCIAL TO OA (OPEN AREA) FOR THE SOUTHERLY TWO-THIRDS OF A 26,000± SQUARE FOOT SITE LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF NORTH MAIN STREET BETWEEN CLEVELAND AND THURMAN AVENUES, waive further reading, and order the ordinance to print. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 1653
COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Hamilton, SECONDED by Council Member Stadtherr to give first reading to the draft ordinance approving Zone Change 4-2004, being AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 4-2004 BEING A CHANGE OF ZONING FROM R-4 (D) (MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL - “D” OVERLAY SITE REVIEW) TO C-2 (D) (CENTRAL COMMERCIAL - “D” OVERLAY SITE REVIEW) FOR PROPOSED PARCEL 1 OF TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP 4-2004 CONSISTING OF .96± ACRES FOR THAT SITE LOCATED ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PROSPECT STREET AND GRAND AVENUE, waive further reading, and order the ordinance to print. The motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULED MATTERS

15. GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE

Recommendation: That the City Council takes no action to modify the golf course maintenance Personnel services, and direct the noticing of a Public Hearing and preparation of a Resolution to establish quarterly passes with differential seasonal rates.

Parks & Leisure Services Director Jim Perrine presented the staff report.

Ron Kavadas came forward to speak, stating that the staff report is very thorough. He also commented on the winter pass markets, stating that it only appeals to seniors or unemployed individuals because daylight during this season is from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. He suggested offering flexible passes for educators, who may want to golf during their summer vacation. Mr. Kavadas stated that he had collected 59 signatures from educators who would purchase a monthly pass if available. He also did not recommend discount tickets for weekday play at this time.

Mayor Pro Tem Irish stated that he felt it was time to find a professional to tell the City what they have and how to market, and recommended re-instating the monthly pass until the City is able to generate more play at the golf course.

Council Member Stadtherr asked if the monthly passes were seasonally adjusted in price, to which Mr. Perrine replied, no they were not.

Mr. Kavadas clarified to Council that there are no monthly passes available at this time.

Mayor Pro Tem Irish suggested re-instating the monthly pass until December; by then a professional on the proper direction should have advised them.

Council Member Stadtherr asked what would be involved in re-instating the monthly pass.
The City Attorney stated that it could be done at the next meeting, but could not be done at this time because it would need to be re-instated by resolution.

Mayor Martinez asked about the benefits of a quarterly pass as opposed to a monthly pass.

Mr. Perrine stated that the problem that has occurred in the past is that during the peak use time, there were many passes purchased, but very little paid during the other months.

Council Member West asked if it would be better if the staff researched the market instead of a professional.

Council Member Stadtherr asked if staff had exhausted all avenues up to this point.

Mr. Perrine stated that he did not feel they had exhausted all avenues and that there are possibilities out there for funding.

Council Member Hamilton stated that he would like to get this monkey off Mr. Perrine’s back and allow him to work on some other projects, and therefore supported the idea of a third party getting involved.

Council Member Stadtherr asked what the logic was behind phasing out the monthly pass. He requested that the minutes from the meeting pertaining to that be provided to him.

Mayor Pro Tem Irish stated that he believed the reasoning behind it was to increase prices to make up for the decrease in play.

City Manager Longley clarified that staff would distribute an RFP and bring any responses back to Council by the first meeting in December of 2004.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Mayor Pro Tem Irish, SECONDED by Council Member West to instruct staff to pursue a search for a marketing specialist and take appropriate action to re-instate the monthly pass. The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

16. REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR RECYCLING CONSULTANT SERVICES

Recommendation: That City Council:
1. Accept the RFP in its draft form.
2. Authorize staff to distribute the RFP to consulting firms as specified in the policy.

Public Works Director Baldo Rodriguez presented the staff report.

Mayor Pro Tem Irish stated that this is an important topic, but was concerned with adding this to the priority list and the man-hours involved. He asked that this be brought back in December to better prioritize, and not change the priorities at this time.
Council Member Hamilton stated that he was confused, because he did not think an RFP would involve that much staff time and because it was Mayor Pro Tem Irish that initiated this proposal.

Jim Vagim, came forward to state that Council voted 5 to 0 at the study session to implement a RFP, and it was imperative that Council be pro-active in implementing this RFP.

Mayor Pro Tem Irish asked how much time would be needed to accomplish this.

The City Manager stated that about 48 hours would be involved in getting to the RFP phase, and that this was a fairly realistic estimate.

Council Member Stadtherr stated that his impression after the study session was that Council would at least get the outside study done, and then make a stop or go decision after the proposal comes back.

Council Member Hamilton stated that he felt that the City was behind the times and needed to move on this item.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Stadtherr, SECONDED by Council Member West to accept staff’s recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

M.O. 09-061504

Disposition: Approved

17. SIGN REGULATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

Recommendation: That the City Council direct Staff to continue focused enforcement efforts with regard to signage and to continue preparation of a Zoning Ordinance Amendment.

Community Development Director Brad Dunlap presented this report.

Council Member Hamilton stated that when this came before Council the first time, it was decided that they would take this on, and that he felt they needed to re-focus and schedule a study session.

Mayor Martinez stated that he too would like to tackle this topic and re-focus.

Council Member West stated that Council had to be careful the amount of work given to staff and that they needed to tackle this issue themselves as a Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Irish asked how long it has been since the ordinances have been reviewed.

The City Manager stated that a review of the ordinances would involve staff participation, and that there is a plan to review the ordinances in a couple of years.

Mayor Pro Tem Irish suggested reviewing just a few ordinances in the next year.
COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Mayor Pro Tem Irish, SECONDED by Council Member Hamilton to schedule a special meeting of Council and Staff relative to the sign ordinance, for review at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday in July. The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

Adjourn to a Joint Meeting of the Porterville Redevelopment Agency and the City Council at 9:28 p.m.

JOINT CITY COUNCIL/PORTERVILLE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING - JUNE 15, 2004

Roll Call: Redevelopment Agency: Agency Members: West, Irish, Hamilton, Stadtherr; Chairman Martinez
Roll Call: City Council: Councilmen West, Hamilton, Stadtherr; Mayor Pro Tem Irish, Mayor Martinez

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS
None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
• Linda Olmedo, 2550 W. Porter Creek, Member of the Community Development Advisory Committee, came forward representing family and neighbors from the 400 Block of So. “A”. There is property on the southwest side of “A” & Date that’s an eyesore, and she would like the City to review if there is an ordinance that could be enforced to clean up property where the fire was. Also there is a need for crosswalks and speed signs on Date for children’s safety. She also spoke on the potholes.

Mayor Martinez affirmed that the City is in the process of looking into the property mentioned.

REDEVELOPMENT SCHEDULED MATTERS

PRA-1. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY 2004-2005 BUDGET

Recommendation: That the Agency Board adopt the attached 2004-2005 Redevelopment Agency Budget.

Community Development Director Brad Dunlap presented the staff report.

AGENCY ACTION: MOVED by Council/Agency Member West, SECONDED by Council/Agency Member Stadtherr to accept staff’s recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

PRA-2. REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT NO. 1 PLAN AMENDMENT – REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL
Recommendation: That the Redevelopment Agency adopt the draft resolution approving and transmitting to the Porterville City Council the Agency’s Report on Amendment No. 1 to the Redevelopment Plan for Redevelopment Project No.1 including the Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration.

Community Development Director Brad Dunlap presented the staff report.

Council Member Hamilton asked the consultant for an opinion on the future of redevelopment agencies.

Mr. Ernie Glover came forward to state that if the ERAF Diversions are lifted, most agencies should be able to once again pursue their projects. To be in good financial shape, you have to be fairly large and fairly broad in the types of land uses; and most of the growth in tax increment occurs in residential development.

AGENCY ACTION: MOVED by Agency Member Hamilton, SECONDED by Agency Vice Chair Irish to accept staff’s recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING

PRA-3. REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT NO.1 PLAN AMENDMENT

Recommendation: That the Redevelopment Agency and City Council conduct a Joint Public Hearing on the proposed Amendment and take testimony in favor of and/or in Opposition to the proposed action. If no objections to the proposed Amendment have been submitted to the City Clerk at, or prior to, the conclusion of the Joint Public Hearing, the Agency/City Council may proceed with the following actions.

That the Redevelopment Agency and the City Council:
1. Adopt the draft resolutions approving the Negative Declaration for Amendment No.1 to the Redevelopment Plan for Redevelopment Project No.1.

That the City Council:
1. Adopt an ordinance of the Porterville City Council approving and adopting Amendment No.1 to the Redevelopment Plan for Redevelopment Project No.1 as the Official Redevelopment Plan for Said Project.

Community Development Director Brad Dunlap presented the staff report.

The hearing was opened to the public at 9:47 p.m. and closed at 9:48 p.m.

Council Member Hamilton asked if the property value increases, what would the process be at that point.
Ernie Glover, with GRC Redevelopment, stated that an amendment to the plan would be needed to add territory and the criteria for blight has changed, which might make it more difficult to add the territory back in.

**COUNCIL/AGENCY ACTION:**

MOVED by Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chair Irish, SECONDED by Council/Agency Member Stadtherr to adopt the draft resolutions approving the Negative Declaration for Amendment No. 1 to the Redevelopment Plan for Redevelopment Project No. 1. The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

City Manager read Ordinance 1655 by title only.

**COUNCIL ACTION:**

MOVED by Council Member Hamilton, SECONDED by Council Member West that Council waive further reading, and order to print, being AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE APPROVING AND ADOPTING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT NO. 1 AS THE OFFICIAL REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR SAID PROJECT.

Disposition: Approved

Adjourn the Redevelopment Agency Meeting at 9:50 p.m. to a meeting of the City Council.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

• Dick Eckhoff, Chairman Downtown Porterville Association, 180 N. Main, asked Council and audience to speak more into the microphones so people could hear. Also, regarding the sign ordinance update, he thought any changes would wait until after the General Plan was done—Downtown would like to stay heavily involved in that and give input, such as questions on banners (and their enforcement), signage in front of buildings, use of corner kiosks for side streets, signage on windows. He clarified July 20 for the Sign Ordinance item to come back to Council.

• Felippe Martinez, 195 Putnam Ave., spoke in support of the Police Chief and his staff; he spoke regarding a problem with water runoff from Goodell Packing shed on Orange and “E” St. which is causing chuck-holes; Also spoke as Hispanic Chamber representative regarding a mixer on Thursday, at Citibank.

**OTHER MATTERS/COUNCIL COMMENTS**

• Council Member Stadtherr presented slides of the Battery Operated Car Race in which he came in Second Place.

• Council Member Hamilton spoke regarding the tragic events of last Friday, and the fine job done by the Police Chief and his staff, and the Sheriff’s Department personnel.

• Mayor Martinez spoke on the good job done by the Police Department, and the good job by the Porterville Recorder.
• Mayor Martinez spoke on the first Mural in the downtown area—perhaps lighting could be done for it.
  Mr. Eckhoff is approaching Bank of the Sierra to put lights on top of their building to light the mural.
• Mayor Martinez stated that lighting could also be done for the Memorial Wall at the Airport, and he asked staff to look at it.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Council meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m. to the meeting of July 6, 2004.

**SEAL**

Georgia Hawley, Deputy City Clerk
By: Luisa Herrera

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Pedro R. Martinez, Mayor