



CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Voss called the **REGULAR MEETING** of the City Council of the City of La Cañada Flintridge to order at 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Stephen A. Del Guercio, Laura Olhasso, David Spence, Mayor Pro Tem Gregory C. Brown, and Mayor Donald R. Voss

Councilmembers absent: None

Staff members present: City Manager Alexander, City Attorney Steres, Director of Finance Jordan, Director of Public Works Hitti, Director of Administrative Services Chun, Traffic Engineer Zandvliet, Senior Management Analyst Alameda, Planner Gjolme, Planner Parinas, and City Clerk Baca.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Captain Silversparre.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mayor Voss OPENED the public comment period.

There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Voss CLOSED the public comment period.

PRESENTATIONS

Captain Silversparre presented the public safety update for the Sheriff's department. He then provided information on the Non Revocable Parole, which is run by the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

Richard Roche, representing AT&T spoke about the benefits of the "Anti-Texting While Driving Campaign.

Staff Update on City Projects – Director of Public Works Hitti provided an update on the following projects: 2009 miscellaneous storm drain projects, which is 65-75% complete; Highland slope repair is 60-65% complete; and the L.A. County Flood Control District will be increasing the capacity of three basins this summer.

REORDERING OF AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – None.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Councilmember Spence commented on Item No. 8 stating how pleased he is with the Pasadena Humane Society and their staff.

MOTION: Brown/Spence to approve Consent Calendar Item No. 1-12. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Minutes of the City Council:
(a) February 16, 2010 (Regular)
2. Approval of Warrant Resolution No. 10-08 dated May 3, 2010 for \$439,923.08.
3. Receive and File Commission Meeting Agendas:
(a) Planning Commission for Tuesday, April 27, 2010
4. Continue the existence of the Local Emergency.
5. Request for application fee waiver (special event permit) for the Annual Apple Blossom Festival to be held on Saturday, May 15, 2010
6. Request for application fee waiver (special event permit) for the Annual Family Fun Run to be held on Saturday May 15, 2010
7. Request for application fee waiver (special event permit) for the Annual Fiesta Days Parade to be held on Monday, May 31, 2010.
8. Renewal of Animal Control Services agreement with Pasadena Humane Society for Fiscal Year 2010-11.
9. Deny claim of La Cañada Irrigation District (C-10-09), and direct staff to send standard rejection letter.
10. Request to authorize the City Manager to enter into a co-sponsorship agreement with the La Cañada Valley Sun in support of the 2010 Music-in-the-Park Concert Series.
11. Motion to adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 10-14** Supporting Anti-Texting While Driving Campaign.
12. **RESOLUTION NO. 10-15** to install stop signs at Tulip Tree Ln/Cross/Rosebank.

City Manager Alexander requested Item No. 13 be heard after Item No. 15 due to timing issues with the appellant.

ORDINANCES:

This item heard before Item No. 13.

15. Extension of Urgency Ordinance No. 374-U which was adopted on April 6, 2009 and established a moratorium to prohibit medical marijuana dispensaries in all zones and prohibit the issuance of building permits and other land use entitlements thereof.
ORDINANCE NO. 383-U ADOPTED.

City Attorney Steres presented the staff report.

Mayor Voss OPENED the public hearing.

There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Voss CLOSED the public hearing.

City Attorney Steres then presented **Urgency Ordinance No. 383-U** for adoption, and read it by title:

“AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE EXTENDING URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 374-U WHICH ESTABLISHED A MORATORIUM TO PROHIBIT MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES IN ALL ZONES AND PROHIBIT THE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS AND OTHER LAND USE ENTITLEMENTS THEREFORE”

MOTION: Spence/Olhasso to adopt Urgency Ordinance No. 383-U. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Del Guercio, Olhasso, Spence, Brown, Voss
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

13. Appeal - Consideration of an Appeal of the Planning Commission's Approval of Second-Floor Review 09-32 and Modification 09-13 for 1st and 2nd floor additions on a single-story residence at 1225 ½ Flanders Road.

Assistant Planner Parinas presented the staff report.

Mayor Voss OPENED the public hearing.

Philippe Hartley, appellant, requested a variance be added to include “screening”. He expressed his opposition to the project due to privacy issues. He also requested any requirements for the property owners be permanent and enforceable.

Mr. Rhody, applicant’s contractor, stated that they are willing to do what the appellant wishes regarding the landscape issue, if reasonable. He stated that a permanent requirement, such as a covenant is not necessary.

Mr. Zhai, applicant, stated that he feels that there is not an issue with the bathroom window. He expressed opposition to the covenant.

Director of Community Development Stanley clarified that the chimney shown in the photos provided by the applicant is a legal structure and is required to have any tree or shrub at least 10 feet away. Further clarification on clearance will be needed from the Los Angeles County Fire Department.

There being no one else from the public wishing to speak, Mayor Voss CLOSED the public hearing portion.

Councilmember Del Guercio expressed concern with the appellant’s privacy issue, requested adequate landscaping within a reasonable time frame, and is in support of a covenant.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown announced that due to a family emergency, was not able to view either property, therefore will abstain on this item.

Councilmember Olhasso stated that an answer from the Fire Department pertaining to the hedges proximity to the chimney/fireplace is needed in order to make a decision.

Councilmember Spence concurred with Councilmember Olhasso regarding input from the Fire Department, and an opinion from the applicant whether a large tree could be planted to block the building view.

Mayor Voss indicated that the following items need to be addressed: Fire Department input on the chimney/fireplace; construction screening to be provided by the applicant. He expressed his agreement with either a covenant or condition of approval in order to move forward.

At this time, City Manager Alexander suggested that this item be continued until the June 7 meeting in order for staff to meet with the applicant and Fire Department on the above mentioned items.

MOTION: Spence/Olhasso to continue the item until the June 7, 2010 meeting. The motion carried unanimously, noting Mayor Pro Tem Brown's abstention.

ORDINANCES:

14. Zone Change 10-01; R-1 Properties City Wide; Amendment to Chapters 11.11.040 (Uses Permitted) and 11.11.050.B. 1 (Total Floor/Roofed Area Limitations) of the City's Zoning Code to add Conditional Use Permit review for residential projects resulting in floor area over 10,000 sq. feet and an amendment to the definition of "New Structure" (modifying Chapter 11.01.030 of the City's Zoning Code). **ORDINANCE NO. 384**

Planner Gjolme presented the staff report.

Mayor Voss OPENED the public comment period.

There being no one from the public wishing to speak, Mayor Voss CLOSED the public comment period.

City Attorney Steres presented Ordinance No. 384 for first reading and introduction, and read it by title:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 10-01 MODIFYING CHAPTER 11.11.040 "USES SUBJECT TO PERMITS" CHAPTER 11.11.050.B.1 "TOTAL FLOOR/ROOFED AREA – BASIC LIMITS" AND CHAPTER 11.01.030 "DEFINITIONS – NEW STRUCTURE" OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE ZONING CODE"

MOTION: Spence/Brown to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 384. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS: Del Guercio, Olhasso, Spence, Brown, Voss
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS: None

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Councilmembers' reports on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency – None

Councilmembers' reports regarding regional and local representation – None

Councilmembers' request for future agenda items – None


Councilmembers' comments – Mayor Pro Tem Brown asked if the city has a policy for no texting or cell phone use by employees while driving a city vehicle. City Manager Alexander responded that there currently is a policy.

Councilmember Del Guercio asked for a staff update on the re-opening of the north side trails. Councilmember Spence requested tonight's meeting be adjourned in memory of Dr. Charles Broberg.

City Manager and/or staff comments – None

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Voss adjourned the meeting in memory of Dr. Charles Broberg at 9:14 p.m.



Sylvia Baca, City Clerk

Minutes Approved by the City Council on July 19, 2010