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LAW AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, October 29, 1987

City Council Chambers
915 I Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, California

The meeting was called to order at the hour of 4:10 p.m. by Chairman Terry Kastanis.

PRESENT: Committee Members Kastanis and Bradley.

ABSENT: Committee Members Shore and Pope.*

*Committee Member Pope arrived at 4:25 p.m.

1. AB 1794 (Costa) - 1988 Park Bond.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF: RECOMMEND SUPPORT

REPORTS BACK: NONE

COMMITTEE ACTION: SUPPORTED

VOTING RECORD: MOVED: BRADLEY; SECONDED: KASTANIS.
AYES: BRADLEY, KASTANIS.
ABSENT: SHORE, POPE.

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Bob Thomas, Parks and Community Services, was present to discuss this item. He said that if this bill was approved, it will go to the Governor for signature and placed before the voters in 1988. He stated that the City's share of funds from the passage of this bill would be approximately 1.2 million dollars, and that this bill also provides for grants. He explained that if this bill is passed, his Department will come before the Budget and Finance Committee and the City Council for recommendations on how to spend this money. Bradley moved, Kastanis seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to support AB 1794.

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2. SB 752 - "Just One Break" employment legislation for the homeless.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF: RECOMMEND SUPPORT
REPORTS BACK: NONE
COMMITTEE ACTION: SUPPORTED
VOTING RECORD: MOVED: KASTANIS; SECONDED: BRADLEY.
AYES: KASTANIS, BRADLEY.
ABSENT: SHORE, POPE.

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Stephen Whitney-Wise of the Housing and Redevelopment Agency was present to discuss this item. He explained that this bill went through the Senate unscathed and was sent to the State Assembly. He said this is currently a two-year bill. He also explained that the EDD opposes this bill, and that Attachment B to the staff report in the agenda packet explains the reasons for the EDD's opposition. He said that the Housing and Redevelopment Agency and the EDD are in the process now of working out a compromise. Councilman Kastanis moved, Councilman Bradley seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to support SB 752.

3. Sacramento Neighborhood Mediation Center.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF: RECOMMEND SUPPORT
REPORTS BACK: NONE
COMMITTEE ACTION: SUPPORTED AND FORWARDED TO COUNCIL
VOTING RECORD: MOVED: BRADLEY; SECONDED: POPE.
AYES: BRADLEY, POPE, KASTANIS.
ABSENT: SHORE.

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Doug Holmen of the Planning Department was present regarding this proposed center. He explained that an endorsement by the City Council will benefit the Center in its application for and receipt of grants in the future. He also explained that the Center may request funding from the City in the future, but that they are only asking for an endorsement of their program at this time. Mr. Holmen then introduced Patsy Schiff, Chair of the Board of the Sacramento Neighborhood Mediation Center.

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Ms. Schiff explained a little about how the Sacramento Neighborhood Mediation Center (SNMC) operates. She said they are working on a shoestring, and that they are working out of the old Oak Park Library, which space was donated by the McGeorge School of Law. She said she really wants to emphasize that the intent of this Center is to bring the power to resolve conflict back to the neighborhoods instead of calling the Police Department, the Mayor, the City Attorney, etc.

*Councilman Pope arrived at 4:25 p.m.

Councilman Kastanis asked Ms. Schiff whether it looked good for grants. Ms. Schiff explained that they are needy but that they are getting some support. She stated that there is a possibility that the courts may add a surcharge of \$1-\$3 to court filings, and this money would be shared by groups like SNMC. She also pointed out that SNMC is a private, non-profit program -- not a County program. She explained that there are no other programs in the County like SNMC at this time, and that it doesn't make sense to compete, so she hopes groups like this will work together. She said that even though they get support from McGeorge School of Law, the school does not provide legal advice or personnel for the panels. She said it is very important to recruit people from the community where the dispute occurs.

Councilman Bradley moved, Councilman Pope seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to recommend endorsement of the Sacramento Neighborhood Mediation Center.

4. Ordinance amending Chapter 16 of the City Code relating to underground storage of hazardous substances.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF:	RECOMMEND SUPPORT AND FORWARD TO COUNCIL
REPORTS BACK:	NONE
COMMITTEE ACTION:	SUPPORTED AND FORWARD TO COUNCIL
VOTING RECORD:	MOVED: POPE; SECONDED: BRADLEY. AYES: POPE, BRADLEY, KASTANIS. ABSENT: SHORE.

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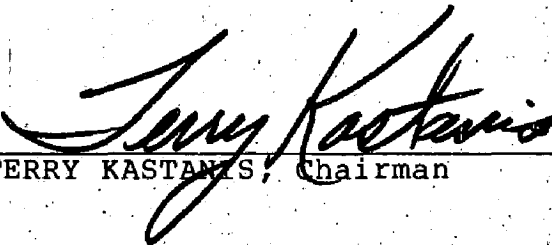
Tamara Milligan-Harmon, Deputy City Attorney, was present to discuss this item. She said that this is a joint effort between the City and the County, at the request of the County Environmental Health Department. She explained that the County is our enforcing agent.

Bill McNairnie, Sacramento Fire Marshal, explained that the County does the paperwork and collects fees, and that the City Fire Department does inspections. He said that owners must have tanks checked annually. He also stated that the County pays the City for the cost of the inspections, though the cost of inspection is higher than the amount the County pays at this time. This is a matter which will be addressed at a later date.

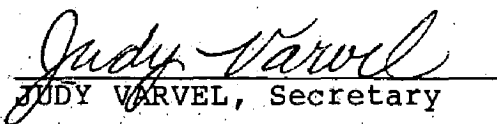
Councilman Pope moved, Councilman Bradley seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to recommend support of the amendments to Chapter 16 of the City Code and forward it to Council.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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TERRY KASTANIS, Chairman

ATTEST:


JUDY VARVEL, Secretary