



Valley Engineering Council annual dinner and banquet on Thursday, February 24, 2011.

Mayor Esteves asked how competitive is the City of Milpitas in regards to solar permit fees and Ms. Barnhart said the City is very competitive.

Ms. Barnhart announced that staff went to Sacramento on February 3rd and gave testimony to the value of redevelopment in Milpitas. Staff also brought back an update to the Economic Development Subcommittee about the conference center costs and the Subcommittee made a motion to stop work on the Alder sites, leave the Alder site as an option, explore and bring to the full City Council whether the City wants to evaluate other alternatives including the Community Center site.

- IV. **Public Forum** None

- V. **Approval of Agenda** Motion: to approve the agenda, as submitted

- Motion/Second: Peoples/McEvoy

- Motion carried by a vote of: Ayes: 6
Noes: 0

- VI. **Approval of Minutes – January 10, 2011** Motion: to approve the January 10, 2011 unapproved Minutes.

- Motion/Second: Peoples/Ablaza

- Motion carried by a vote of: Ayes: 6
Noes: 0

- VII. **New Business**
 - A. **Election of Chair and Vice Chair**
 - A. Commissioner Ablaza nominated Don Peoples for Chair and Dhaval Brahmhatt as Vice Chair. Commissioner McEvoy seconded the nomination.

 - Motion: to elect Don Peoples as Chair for the 2011 year and Dhaval Brahmhatt as Vice Chair for the 2011 year.

 - Motion/Second: Ablaza/McEvoy

 - Motion carried by a vote of: Ayes: 6
Noes: 0

 - B. Ms. Barnhart handed out a Resolution of the City Council amending the City Council handbook to clarify the procedures for resignation of commissioners, committee members or board members from city commissions, committees or boards.



C. The Commission discussed the Draft 2011 Work Plan Ideas and combined the following ideas into Subcommittees:

1. Workforce Development and Employability of Citizens/Business Retention
2. Business Attraction/Marketing/Promotions
3. Development Review Assistance

Commissioner Wettstein, Vice Chair Brahmhatt and Commissioner Ablaza volunteered to be on Subcommittee No. 2.

Chair Peoples and Commissioner Bhambra volunteered to be on Subcommittee No. 3.

Chair Peoples also volunteered to be on Subcommittee No. 1

Ms. Barnhart said she would send out an e-mail to the Commissioners to volunteer for the three different subcommittees.

VIII. Upcoming Events

A. Future Agenda Items

1. **Land Use Classification for Industrial Development**
2. **Midtown Redevelopment**
3. **Open Government Ordinance Review**

B. Next Meeting: March 14, 2011

- A. Ms. Barnhart said she is looking for volunteers for a proposal for a new City Gateway Sign. Commissioner C. Nguyen, Commissioner McEvoy and Chair Peoples volunteered. Ms. Barnhart said that she will update the Commission on the freeways signs at the next meeting. She also wants to take the 2011 Work program to the City Council at the March 15th meeting. Ms. Barnhart also asked if she could take off Item No. 1 and Item No. 2 from future Agenda Items since they will be covered under the Subcommittees and the Commission agreed.

IX. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM to the next meeting on Monday, March 14, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Veronica Bejines, Recording Secretary