

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1972  
IN THE CHAMBER OF THE COUNCIL - ADMINISTRATION BUILDING  
COMMUNITY CONCOURSE

Present-Councilmen Johnson, O'Connor, Landt, Martinet, Hitch, and  
Mayor Wilson.

Absent--Councilmen Williams, Morrow, and Bates.

Clerk---Edward Nielsen.

On January 20, 1972, the City Council adopted a Resolution  
calling a Special Meeting of the City Council for this date.

"RESOLUTION NO. 204708"

WHEREAS, The City of San Diego by its police powers delegated  
from the State of California has the power to react when the health,  
safety and general welfare of its citizens are jeopardized; and

WHEREAS, the population growth in the Mira Mesa Community is  
proceeding at a more rapid rate than was anticipated in the adopted  
community plan of 1966; and

WHEREAS, it appears the following facts may exist in the Mira Mesa  
Community area:

1. The rapid growth rate in the population of the community  
has created a deficiency of certain services and facilities.
2. The ingress and egress roadways (Mira Mesa Boulevard "on  
and off" ramps to Interstate 15) are operating at approximately  
full capacity during peak traffic flows causing a poor level  
of traffic service consisting of severe congestion, delays,  
excessive travel times, and an increasing trend in traffic  
accidents.
3. The limited roadway capacity at peak traffic flow periods  
substantially delays the availability of emergency services  
such as ambulance, police and back-up fire protection to the  
community.
4. Roadway traffic enters and leaves the community via one  
arterial roadway.
5. The school system is grossly deficient in permanent  
elementary and secondary schools requiring the use of single  
family residences to serve as temporary classrooms on double  
session for elementary students, and requiring the busing of  
elementary and secondary students on an average of 20 miles  
a day to and from school.
6. The present fire protection is provided from a residence  
serving as an interim fire station and back-up fire equipment  
could be delayed by traffic congestion during peak traffic  
flows.

7. There is a deficiency of completed parks to serve the recreational needs of the community; and  
WHEREAS, if any or all of the foregoing facts exist, time may be needed to study and evaluate the effect of these existing and increasing problems, and to develop the means to provide for the needed public facilities and services for the Mira Mesa Community; and  
WHEREAS, the only means available to accomplish this may be the adoption of an ordinance establishing a moratorium of 24 months on the issuance of building permits in the area; and  
WHEREAS, a hearing should be held to determine the foregoing;  
NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego that a special meeting shall be scheduled for February 9, 1972 for the purpose of conducting a public meeting to determine the following:

1. Whether any or all of the foregoing facts exist.
2. Whether any other facts exist which may require the imposition of a building moratorium.
3. Whether an ordinance should be adopted imposing a 24-month moratorium on the issuance of building permits for residential living units located within the moratorium area shown on the attached exhibit for the Mira Mesa Community.
4. Whether such ordinance should be adopted as an emergency ordinance.

Notice of the time, date and place of said public hearing and a general description of the moratorium area shall be given by publication thereof for a period not less than five days in a newspaper of general circulation that is published on five or more days in a calendar week in the City of San Diego. Such publication shall be completed at least five days prior to the hearing and shall include a copy of the proposed ordinance that will be before the Council at the time of the hearing. The facts recited therein shall not limit the Council's power to determine the existence of other facts which might necessitate the adoption of the ordinance.

Mayor Wilson called the Special Meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

Councilmen Williams and Bates entered the Chamber.

Mayor Wilson stated this was a hearing to determine whether the City Council should adopt an Ordinance imposing a 24-month moratorium on the issuance of the building permits for residential living units for an area in the Mira Mesa Community generally bounded on the north by Penasquitos Canyon, on the east by Interstate 15, on the south by Miramar Road, and on the west by Interstate 805.

Councilman Morrow entered the Chamber.

City Manager Moore presented a report to Council, followed by staff reports from George Simpson, Director of Community Development, Dr. Gene French, School Board Chairman, Dorothy Leonard, Vice Chairman on Ad Hoc Committee on School Building Needs, and Jacob Dekema, District Engineer of the California Division of Highways.

Councilmen Morrow and Hitch left the Chamber.

City Manager Moore concluded the staff reports and made suggestions.

Councilman Hitch entered the Chamber.

Niles Nace appeared to speak in favor of the proposed moratorium.

Councilman Morrow entered the Chamber.

Councilman Williams left the Chamber.

Phil Henry and Mrs. Anderson appeared to speak in favor of the proposed moratorium.

Councilman Williams entered the Chamber.

Sharon Powers and Phil Henry appeared to speak in favor of the proposed moratorium.

Councilman Bates left the Chamber.

William Keough, President of the Mira Mesa Town Council, appeared to speak in favor of the proposed moratorium.

Councilman Bates entered the Chamber.

John Fennell, Ad Hoc Committee on Schools, Juxene Luth, Mira Mesa Homeowners Association, Mrs. W. R. Sellers, 9th District PTA,

Dr. John Hobbs, Citizens Coordinate, and Gerald Fox, Planning and Conservation League, appeared to speak in favor of the proposed moratorium.

Councilwoman O'Connor left the Chamber.

Helen Youel appeared to speak in favor of the proposed moratorium.

Councilwoman O'Connor entered the Chamber.

Mayor Wilson recessed the Meeting at 10:55 a.m. Upon reconvening at 11:04 a.m., the roll call showed all present.

Joan Dahlin, League of Women Voters, and Kathy Beach, Citizens Advisory Committee, appeared to speak in favor of the proposed moratorium.

Larry Jackson, Raymond Lussa, Armand Henderson, Leslie Parker, Ernie Moore, Richard Sutton, Soloman Johnson, Joe Seymour, R. R. Richardson, and Mabel Whitmyer, appeared to speak in opposition.

Councilmen Morrow and Bates left the Chamber.

Attorney John Butler appeared to speak in opposition.

Councilman Bates entered the Chamber.

Donald Frischer appeared to speak in opposition.

Councilman Morrow entered the Chamber.

J. Douglas Pardee, Dr. Richard F. Tonigan, and George Pardee appeared to speak in opposition to the proposed moratorium.

Mayor Wilson recessed the Meeting at 12:59 p.m. Upon reconvening at 1:16 p.m., the roll call showed Councilman Williams absent.

Attorney Norman Seltzer appeared to speak in opposition.

Councilman Williams entered the Chamber.

Donald Worley, attorney representing Larwin Construction Company, Attorney Charles Renshaw and Attorney Harrison Waite appeared to speak in opposition to the proposed moratorium.

At 2:00 p.m., on motion of Councilman Johnson, the Special Meeting was adjourned until the hour of 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 23, 1972, in the Council Chamber, Administration Building, Community Concourse, and the hearing was continued to said time and place.

At approximately 2:15 p.m., the Mayor and Council, staff members, various interested parties, and press agents boarded a chartered bus for a tour of the Mira Mesa proposed moratorium area.

En route, John Fowler, Community Development Department, pointed out the traffic effects and the proposed widening of I-15 and Mira Mesa Boulevard.

The following facilities were toured: Mason Temporary Elementary School Annex No. 1, Mason Temporary Elementary School, the temporary fire station facility, North Mira Mesa Temporary Elementary School Annex No. 1, and Mason Temporary Elementary School Annex No. 2.

The sites for mini-parks, park and recreation center, library, and future fire station were pointed out.

At approximately 4:40 p.m., the field trip was adjourned.



Mayor of The City of San Diego, California

ATTEST:



City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California