City of Westminster City Council Study Session October 3, 2005

Mayor McNally called the Study Session to order at 6:35 PM. All Council was in attendance except for Dave Davia who is on vacation and Butch Hicks who was at work.

City Staff in attendance included: City Manager Brent McFall; Assistant City Manager Steve Smithers; City Attorney Marty McCullough; Senior Projects Coordinator Tony Chacon; Director of Community Development John Carpenter; Treasury Manager Bob Smith; Public Information Specialist Carol Jones; and Administrative Secretary Melissa Salazar.

The guests in attendance were Evie Hemphill with the Westminster Window, Scott Major and Aurita R. Apodaca.

South Westminster TOD Name

Brent McFall introduced City Staff John Carpenter and Tony Chacon to brief Council on the naming and branding of the South Westminster Transit Redevelopment Area.

In September 2004, the City Council gave preliminary support to a draft redevelopment plan for the south Westminster Transit Redevelopment Area bounded by 72nd and 68th Avenues, and Federal and Lowell Boulevards. Per City Council direction, Staff established a name/brand allowing Council and the community full participation. Staff secured the services of a public relations firm to develop and administer a public participation process. A survey was distributed seeking input. The results of the survey were attached to the Staff Report.

City Council authorized Staff to proceed with developing plans and promotional materials denoting the South Westminster Transit area redevelopment project as "Westminster Crossing" not Westy Park.

Other Business

Chris Dittman was inquiring about the letter sent to him from John Dawson, property owner at 12365 Huron Street, Westminster regarding a retail business not being able to do business in the Office Park that he owns. Mr. Dawson claims that the City rejected the permit because it did not meet the standards established by the Planning Department. John Carpenter will check into the matter and get back with Council.

Chris Dittman also inquired about the LaConte issue regarding the redevelopment of their property and asked Community Development staff to brief them. City Staff has been working with Katie Press, LaConte's representative on this matter. The project is moving forward.

Mayor McNally adjourned the Study Session at 7:14 PM to go into an executive session to discuss a possible Land Acquisition, a proposed South Westminster Redevelopment Project (WEDA) and a Personnel Matter.