

**MINUTES**  
**City Council, Successor Agency to the**  
**Former Redevelopment Agency, and**  
**Wasco Public Finance Authority**  
**Tuesday, April 1, 2014 – 6:00p.m.**  
**City Council Chambers**  
**746 8th Street, Wasco, California 93280**

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Cortez called the meeting to order at 6:01p.m.
- 2) **FLAG SALUTE:** Mayor Cortez led the flag salute.
- 3) **INVOCATION:** Scott Hight with Westside Fellowship offered the invocation.
- 4) **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Cortez, Members: Espitia, Martin, and Wegman

Absent: Member West

Also Present: Battalion Chief Boller, City Attorney Schroeter, City Manager Allen, City Clerk Rodriguez, City Treasurer Mosqueda, Finance Director Foltz, Planning Director Mobley, Public Works Director Paris, and Sgt. Chandler.

5) **PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS:**

- a) Proclamation declaring April 2014 to be DMV/Donate Life Month in the City of Wasco.  
Member Espitia thanked Mayor Cortez for acknowledging Donate Life Month.

6) **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

Rocio Mosqueda, asked about the status of the house located on Hwy. 46 that has a lot of debris in the front yard, this was brought up at a prior meeting by council members. Staff will address this issue with Code Enforcement.

Jose Lona, reported that there are semi-trucks parking on Filburn and detaching their trailers. The truck generators are running and are noisy for residents. After the trucks are detached from the trailer, the drivers take the truck to their homes in the city. Mayor Cortez informed Mr. Lona that staff will address this issue with Code Enforcement. Sgt. Chandler informed council that he would take care of this problem.

**WASCO PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY BUSINESS:**

- 7) Approval of Bill Paying List total amount of \$3,296.13  
Member Espitia made a motion to approve the WPFA bill paying list, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Wegman. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1. Mayor Cortez announced that vote was unanimous:  
AYES: Cortez, Espitia, Martin, Wegman  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: West

**CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

- 8) **CONSENT CALENDAR:** The Consent Calendar consists of items that in staff's opinion are routine and non-controversial. These items are approved in one motion unless a Councilmember or member of the public removes a particular item.
  - a) Approval of the March 18, 2014 Regular City Council and Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency meeting minutes.
  - b) Approval of Bill Paying List total amount of \$382,520.38
  - c) Acknowledge Receipt of Correspondence.
  - d) Approve the Reading of All Ordinances by Title Only and Approve Publication of All Ordinances

Member Wegman made a motion to approve the bill paying list, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Espitia. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1. Mayor Cortez announced that vote was unanimous:

AYES: Cortez, Espitia, Martin, Wegman

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: West

9) Report and Possible Introduction of an Ordinance, RE:

- a) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO AMENDING THE CITY OF WASCO MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 1.20.020, 1.20.040, 1.20.060, 1.20.070, 1.20.080, 1.20.100, 1.20.110, AND 1.20.120, AMENDING THE MANNER IN WHICH ADMINISTRATIVE CITATIONS MAY BE ISSUED AND ENFORCED.

- b) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO AMENDING THE CITY OF WASCO MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 13.14.030, 13.22.070, AND 8.12.1300, SAID AMENDMENTS PROVIDING ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT FOR WATER, SEWER, AND SOLID WASTE VIOLATIONS. (Mobley)

Director Mobley gave staff report.

Rocio Mosqueda asked if the citations will be given to the tenants or property owners. Attorney Schroeter mentioned that it would be to the name of the person on the account.

Jose Lona mentioned that one month he paid twice on his utility bill and wasn't refunded or given credit. Mayor Cortez asked Director Foltz to look at Mr. Lona's account to see what happened.

There was some discussion on the amount of the fees. Council agreed to keep the fees as presented. With no further discussion Member Wegman made a motion to approve item 9a, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Espitia. Member Wegman made a motion to approve item 9b, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Espitia. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1. Mayor Cortez announced that vote was unanimous:

AYES: Cortez, Espitia, Martin, Wegman

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: West

- 10) Discussion and Possible Direction, RE: Current Stipend received by the City Clerk & City Treasurer. (Allen)  
City Manager Allen gave report.

Rocio Mosqueda asked to be informed of what her duties as City Treasurer are since she is no longer employed by the city as an employee. She also requested access to information.

City Manager Allen informed her that she can have access to documents at city offices but not remotely from her home.

There was some discussion on the duties of the City Clerk and City Treasurer.

City Manager Allen reported that currently there is no resolution showing what the stipend for City Clerk & City Treasurer should be and recommends council adopt one.

Mrs. Mosqueda asked that she'd like to be involved in the process.

Member Martin made a motion to lower the City Treasurer stipend to \$50. There was no 2<sup>nd</sup> so motion did not pass.

Member Espitia made a motion to increase the City Clerk stipend to \$60 so it could be the same as the City Treasurer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Wegman. All in favor motion carried 3-1-0-1. Clerk Rodriguez read the vote as follows:

AYES: Cortez, Espitia, Wegman

NOES: Martin

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: West

- 11) LAFCo Alternate Member Appointment. (Clerk Rodriguez)

Member Martin made a motion to appoint Member Cherylee Wegman as the LAFCo Alternate Member, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Espitia. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1. Mayor Cortez announced that vote was unanimous:

AYES: Cortez, Espitia, Martin, Wegman

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: West

## 12) REPORTS FROM CITY STAFF

Sgt. Chandler gave an activity report.

Battalion Chief Boller mentioned about the fire on G Street.

Director Mobley reported that he had a discussion with a representative from CVS Pharmacy and they are looking at the site by Fresh & Easy. He also reported that he received proposals for the housing RFP, for outside consulting for the housing grant process. He also clarified the 2 items brought up earlier; the trucks are not supposed to detach the trailers and will have code enforcement follow up. He will also have code enforcement look into the house on Hwy. 46.

Director Paris mentioned that Well 11 discharge line is being worked on. There was a small sinkhole discovered and staff will be working on this.

## 13) REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

Spoke with City Engineer regarding off sites plans and the Cal-trans piece has been sent to Cal-trans. Foreclosure has been rescheduled for Friday and will keep council informed.

**14) REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL**

Member Wegman reported that she spoke at KernCog regarding the speed on Hwy. 43 being reduced. Director Paul mentioned that he was contacted and the speed survey will be expedited.

Member Espitia asked if the part-time code enforcement officer was hired. Director Mobley reported that the new officer is working on the off-Friday and Saturdays. Member Martin asked if the vacant house on Cypress can be looked at to see if anyone is living there. Member Espitia asked staff for a schedule of the code enforcement officer and their phone numbers to be emailed to council.

Mayor Cortez mentioned that he and City Manager Allen had spoken to some representatives from CVS Pharmacy at an ICSC Conference and hopes that's the reason they've contacted the city.

**15) CLOSED SESSION**

**16) ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Cortez adjourned the meeting at 7:02p.m.

  
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Duviet Rodriguez, City Clerk

  
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Teofilo Cortez, Jr., Mayor