

MINUTES
City Council, Successor Agency to the
Former Redevelopment Agency, and
Wasco Public Finance Authority
Tuesday, August 4, 2015 – 6:00p.m.
City Council Chambers
746 8th Street, Wasco, California 93280

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Espitia called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.
- 2) **FLAG SALUTE:** Mayor Espitia led the flag salute.
- 3) **INVOCATION:** Bill Lewis with Griffith Avenue Baptist Church offered the invocation.
- 4) **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Espitia, Members; Cortez, Reyna and Wegman

Absent: Member Hively

Also Present: City Manager Paris, City Attorney Schroeter, Deputy Clerk Juan, Public Works Director Wren, Finance Director Sanchez, Planning Director Mobley, Sgt. Chandler, Battalion Chief Joe Appleton.

- 5) **PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS:** None
- 6) **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

Resident John Martin at 1316 Cedar Street reported that the electronic sign on 7th and Palm Ave. is not working.

Emily Miller 3733 Ocean View Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90066 and Sara Luqin 3612 Michigan Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90066 with Wasco Wonderful Community Grants reported that the Wonderful Company will be investing \$300,000 in Wasco and Avenal to help grow a beautiful world. The first information session for Wasco will be held September 14, 2015 from 10:00am - 11:00am at Wasco City Hall.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY BUSINESS:

- 7) Receive and file department payments totaling \$1,104.60

Member Wegman made a motion to receive and file department payments totaling \$1,104.60, 2nd by Member Cortez. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1. Deputy Juan announced the vote.

AYES: Espitia, Cortez, Reyna and Wegman

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Hively

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 July 21, 2015 Regular City Council and Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency Minutes.
 - b) Receive and file department payments totaling \$474,879.49
 - c) Report and Possible Approval, RE: Retroactive Authorization to purchase 680 ft. of 12" water pipe and appurtenant materials for \$10,872.02 from Ferguson for the installation of gap closure in the water system on Central Ave. between Bettis Ave. and Central Park Dr.
 - d) Report and Possible Approval, RE: Travel Expenses Exceeding \$500.00 per trip (CALPELRA).
 - e) Report and Possible Approval, RE: Authorization to purchase an EdgeWave iPrism Web Filtering and Security Solution with labor and associated charges in an amount not to exceed \$11,500 from Diamond IT.
 - f) Report and Possible Approval, RE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF WASCO AND THE OFFICE OF THE STATE CONTROLLER, DIVISION OF AUDITS TO PREPARE THE ANNUAL STREET REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015; AND ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE CONTRACT.
 - g) Acknowledge Receipt of Correspondence.
 - h) Approve the Reading of All Ordinances by Title Only and Approve Publication of All Ordinances.

Member Wegman made a motion to approve the consent calendar, 2nd by Member Cortez. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1. Deputy Juan announced the vote.

AYES: Espitia, Cortez, Reyna and Wegman
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Hively

9) Report, Public Hearing and Possible Approval, RE:

- a) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/16.
- b) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 01-01 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/16.
- c) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 01-02 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/16.
- d) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 06-1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/16. (Wren)

Mayor Espitia opened the Public Hearing at 6:05pm

Public Works Director Wren gave report. Member Reyna asked if city is making sure the beautification is being watered and is energy efficient.

Mayor Espitia closed the Public Hearing at 6:09pm

Member Wegman made a motion to approve items 9a, 9b, 9c and 9d, 2nd by Member Reyna. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1. Deputy Juan announced the vote.

AYES: Espitia, Cortez, Reyna and Wegman
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Hively

10) Report, Public Hearing and Possible Approval, RE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO AMENDING THE TRAFFIC IMPACT FEES SCHEDULE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 13.24 OF THE WASCO MUNICIPAL CODE (ORD. 02-469). (Wren)

Mayor Espitia opened the Public Hearing at 6:10pm

Public Works Director Wren gave report.

Mayor Espitia closed the Public Hearing at 6:11pm

Member Reyna made a motion to approve the resolution, 2nd by Member Wegman. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1. Deputy Juan announced the vote.

AYES: Espitia, Cortez, Reyna and Wegman
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Hively

11) Report, Public Hearing and Adoption of an Ordinance, RE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO AMENDING ORDINANCE NOS. 255 AND 273 AND CHAPTER 9.12 OF THE WASCO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW FOR SITUATIONS WHERE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES MAY BE CONSUMED IN CITY FACILITIES. (Paris)

Mayor Espitia opened the Public Hearing 6:12pm

City Manager Paris gave report. This will modify the muni code to allow alcoholic beverages in city facilities and will only occur during certain guidelines.

John Pallares, resident at 323 Sagebrush, requested that council not approve the ordinance because it will put the community in danger. Member Reyna expressed his concerns. Member Cortez stated he respects everyone's comments.

Mayor Espitia closed the Public Hearing 6:20pm

Member Cortez made a motion to adopt the ordinance, 2nd by Member Wegman. Motion was carried with the following 3-1-0-1. Deputy Juan announced the vote.

AYES: Espitia, Cortez, and Wegman
NOES: Reyna
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Hively

- 12) Report and Possible Introduction of an Ordinance, RE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO FOR THE PROPOSED ADDITION OF THE CITY OF WASCO MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 18, CHAPTER 8.44, TO REGULATE THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN PUBLIC PARKS.
(Paris)

Mayor Espitia opened the Public Hearing 6:21pm
City Manager Paris gave report
Mayor Espitia closed the Public Hearing at 6:22pm

Member Wegman made a motion to introduce the ordinance, 2nd by Member Reyna. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1. Deputy Juan announced the vote.
AYES: Espitia, Cortez, Reyna and Wegman
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Hively

13) REPORTS FROM CITY STAFF

Sgt. Chandler gave an activity report.
Battalion Chief Joe Appleton gave an activity report.
Director Sanchez informed council that Araceli Soto has tendered her resignation as Accounting Assistant.
Director Wren reported that the 7th & Central project paving will get done Thursday and Friday, and will be open before school starts. Water Tower repainting will start tomorrow with a full crew.

14) REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER:

City Manager Paris reported that staff met with the five teams who have been invited to bid on the section of the High Speed Rail project that affects Wasco. Director Mobley and he will be leaving to Washington D.C. tomorrow morning.

Also, Assemblyman Rudy Salas and Self Help Enterprise will be giving away backpacks August 7, 2015 at Sunrise Villa Apartments from 12:00pm – 1:30pm.

15) REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL:

Member Reyna asked if we had an ordinance in place to control the sale of bath salt.
Member Wegman asked if we can readdress the Smoke Shops in our Ordinance. She also thanked Director Wren for his Grants.

16) CLOSED SESSION: None

17) ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Espitia adjourned the meeting at 6:47p.m.


Sarina Juan, Deputy City Clerk


Danny Espitia, Mayor