

MINUTES
City Council and Successor Agency to the
Former Redevelopment Agency
Tuesday, August 5, 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 6:00p.m.

2) **FLAG SALUTE:** Mayor Cortez led the flag salute.

Member Wegman asked that the meeting be dedicated in memory of Pete Schulte.

3) **INVOCATION:** Jeff Wallace with New Day Church offered the invocation.

4) **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Cortez, Member: Martin, Wegman, West

Absent: Member Espitia

Also Present: Attorney Klima, City Attorney Schroeter, City Clerk Rodriguez, Deputy City Clerk Juan, Deputy Public Works Director Wren, Interim City Manager Paris, Interim Finance Director Blazenski, Planning Director Mobley, and Sgt. Chandler

5) **PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS:** Proclamation recognizing September as Childhood Cancer Awareness month in Wasco.

Mayor Cortez read the proclamation.

6) **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE:** None

CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS:

7) **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 following minutes:

- July 15, 2014 Regular City Council and Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency meeting minutes.
- July 15, 2014 City Council Special meeting minutes.

b) Receive and file department payments totaling \$170,586.67

c) Report and Possible Approval, RE: Authorization to Complete Report for Year 2 Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for Storm Water Discharges from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) (General Permit).

d) Report and Possible Approval, RE: An Agreement for Landscape Maintenance within the State Highway Right of Way on Route 46 within the City of Wasco, subject to City Manager and City Attorney approval of agreement.

e) Acknowledge Receipt of Correspondence.

f) 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 Martin. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1 (Member Espitia absent). Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote:

AYES: Cortez, Martin, Wegman, West

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Espitia

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

Mayor Cortez opened the public hearing at 6:05p.m.

Deputy Director Wren gave report.

Mayor Cortez closed the public hearing at 6:06p.m.

Without any discussion, Member Wegman made a motion to approve the resolution, 2nd by Member West. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1 (Member Espitia absent). Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote:

AYES: Cortez, Martin, Wegman, West

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Espitia

9) Discussion and Decision, RE: Charter Ballot Measure and Potential Adoption of Resolutions:

- a) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO, CALIFORNIA, ACKNOWLEDGING THAT BY PASSING AND ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 2014-2978, THE CITY COUNCIL HAS ALREADY CALLED AND GIVEN NOTICE OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014, FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS, AND ADDING TO THAT CALL AND NOTICE A BALLOT MEASURE RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF A CHARTER FORM OF GOVERNMENT.
- b) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO, CALIFORNIA, ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL HAS ALREADY PASSED AND ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2014-2977, WHEREBY THE CITY COUNCIL REQUESTED THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF KERN TO CONSOLIDATE A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2014, WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE DATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 10403 OF THE ELECTIONS CODE, AND ADDING TO THAT REQUEST THE CONSOLIDATION OF A BALLOT MEASURE RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF A CHARTER FORM OF GOVERNMENT.
- c) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO, CALIFORNIA, SETTING PRIORITIES FOR FILING (A) WRITTEN ARGUMENT(S) REGARDING A CITY MEASURE AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS. (Paris)

Interim City Manager Paris informed Council and those present that the meeting advertised incorrectly as a public hearing and it is not needed. Attorney Klima was present for questions.

Berenice Molina was heard.

Elizabeth Camarena with SEIU was heard.

Helen Medrano was heard.

Mayor Cortez reported that he would like to do more community outreach and not put the charter on the ballot.

Member West reported that there's been misinformation given in the community.

Member Wegman reported she does not want more outreach and also does not want to put the charter on the ballot.

Member Martin reported that nothing should be done right now.

Member Wegman made a motion to drop the charter and give no direction to staff. Motion died due to lack of 2nd.

Mayor Cortez made a motion to do more outreach. Motion died due to lack of 2nd.

Mayor Cortez reported that there is no direction for staff and drop the charter.

Interim City Manager Paris asked to move to item 11 next.

Member Wegman recused herself from item 11 due to her husband being a city employee, she left the council chambers at 6:30p.m.

11) Report and Possible Approval, RE: The Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Wasco and the Central California Association of Public Employees SEIU, Local 521, subject to City Manager and City Attorney Approval. (Paris)

Interim City Manager Paris gave report.

Tony Cortinas thanked staff and council for their help.

Without any further discussion Member West made a motion to approve the MOU, 2nd by Member Martin.

All in favor motion carried 3-0-0-2 (Member Espitia and Wegman absent). Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote:

AYES: Cortez, Martin, West

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Espitia, Wegman

10) Report and Introduction of an Ordinance, RE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO MODIFYING MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 13.22 ENTITLED WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES.

Interim City Manager Paris gave report.

Member West asked if all residents watered on the same day and if we have an emergency, will we have enough capacity? Interim City Manager Paris reported that the city has enough capacity.

Without any further discussion Member Martin made a motion to approve the introduction of the ordinance, 2nd by Member Martin. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1 (Member Espitia absent). Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote:

AYES: Cortez, Martin, Wegman, West

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Espitia

- 11) Report and Possible Approval, RE: The Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Wasco and the Central California Association of Public Employees SEIU, Local 521, subject to City Manager and City Attorney Approval. (Paris)

Item 11 moved before item 10.

Mayor Cortez adjourned to the Special Meeting at 6:44p.m.

Mayor Cortez reconvened from the Special Meeting at 7:05p.m.

12) REPORTS FROM CITY STAFF

Clerk Rodriguez asked council who would be in the rose festival parade and which vehicle would they be using. She also reminded council that the nomination period ends Friday, August 8th.
Sgt. Chandler gave an activity report.

13) REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER: None

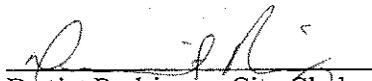
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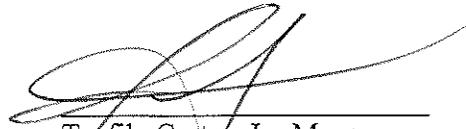
Member Martin asked staff about the dial-a-ride buses being out of order, having wheelchair access and the shift hours for the drivers. He asked staff to look into changing the time for the drivers.
Member West informed staff about water on 4th Street and Cypress.

15) CLOSED SESSION:

- a) Approval of Closed Session minutes held on July 15, 2014.
Attorney Schroeter reported that Member Wegman made a motion to approve the closed session minutes from July 15th, 2nd by Member West. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1 (Espitia absent)
- b) Conference with legal counsel regarding Lindsay v. City of Wasco per Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Attorney Schroeter reported that there was no reportable action.
- c) Conference with Labor Negotiators:
Agency designated representative (J. Paul Paris)
Employee organization: Central California Association of Public Employees, SEIU Local 521 AFL-CIO
Attorney Schroeter reported that there was no reportable action.

16) ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Cortez adjourned the meeting at 7:15p.m.


DuViet Rodriguez, City Clerk


Teofilo Cortez, Jr., Mayor