

**MINUTES**  
**City Council, Successor Agency to the**  
**Former Redevelopment Agency, and**  
**Wasco Public Finance Authority**  
**Tuesday, August 18, 2015 – 6:00p.m.**  
**City Council Chambers**  
**746 8<sup>th</sup> 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; Hively and Reyna

Absent: Member Cortez and Wegman

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

5) **PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS:**

Mayor Espitia presented a Proclamation declaring October 18<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as Freedom From Workplace Bullies Week.

6) **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

Kristen Doud with PG&E presented a \$2,000 check to the City of Wasco.

**SUCCESSOR AGENCY BUSINESS:**

7) Receive and file department payments totaling \$38.50

Member Reyna made a motion to receive and file department payments totaling \$38.50, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Hively. All in favor motion carried 3-0-0-2. Deputy Juan announced the vote.

AYES: Espitia, Hively, Reyna

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Cortez, Wegman

**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 August 4, 2015 Regular City Council and Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency Minutes.
- b) Receive and file department payments totaling \$305,007.28
- c) Report and Possible Approval, RE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF STATE STANDARD AGREEMENT FOR HOUSING-RELATED PARKS PROGRAM GRANT.
- d) Report and Possible Approval, RE: An Agreement with the CalPoly Corporation to prepare the City's General Plan Update Environmental Impact Report (EIR).
- e) Report and Possible Approval, RE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING AND THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO FOR CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY PROGRAM (CMAQ) FUNDING, COMMITTING THE NECESSARY LOCAL MATCH, AND STATING THE ASSURANCE TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT.
- f) Acknowledge Receipt of Correspondence.
- g) Approve the Reading of All Ordinances by Title Only and Approve Publication of All Ordinances

Member Hively made a motion to approve the consent calendar, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Reyna. All in favor motion carried 3-0-0-2. Deputy Juan announced the vote.

AYES: Espitia, Hively, Reyna

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Cortez, Wegman

- 9) Report, Public Hearing and Adoption 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 at 6:06p.m.

City Manager Paris gave report

Mayor Espitia closed the public hearing at 6:13p.m.

Member Reyna made a motion to adopt the ordinance, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Hively. All in favor motion carried 3-0-0-2.

Deputy Juan announced the vote.

AYES: Espitia, Hively, Reyna

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Cortez, Wegman

- 10) Report and Possible Direction, RE: Use and restrictions within residential front yard setback area. (Mobley)  
Planning Director Mobley gave his report.  
Council commented and asked for further information be provided and be brought back to the next council meeting of September 1, 2015 when all council members are present.

**11) REPORTS FROM CITY STAFF**

Sgt. Chandler reported the manhunt ended Saturday. He has his deputies patrolling the parks and school areas during school, during lunch and after school due to the heavy traffic. Member Reyna asked if they issue tickets for double parking. Sgt. Chandler responded, "yes."

Director Mobley reported the owner of the property containing the marijuana shop believes they are out; Code Compliance will inspect the inside to make sure everything is out next week. While in Washington D.C. they meet with two excellent designers. The industrial waivers have been recorded today so they can move forward. Director Wren reported the reconstruction from 7<sup>th</sup> & Central has been completed and the next one will be 7<sup>th</sup> to Palm or Poplar. Code Compliance is doing weekly checks for water wasting.

**12) REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER:**

City Manager reported we received a notice of violation for not achieving our mandated 36% water reduction. He is working on new cards/flyers to be sent out to citizens, schools and stores. The flyers will be passed out to educate everyone and show how to comply with the water conservation goals. The trip to Washington D.C. was very informational and working with Housing Authority to move project forward. The High Speed Rail meeting will be 8/27/15 from 4:00p.m. to 7:00p.m.

The new date for the grand opening of Wal-Mart has been moved from November 2015 to January 2016, due to the need to train employees properly.

**13) REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL:**

Member Reyna reported he attended the Back to School Breakfast. There are some trees at Westside Park that are dying and a big branch fell off.

Member Hively thanked Sgt. Chandler for patrolling the schools. He is concerned about Wasco being flooded this winter and wants to make sure the pumps are working properly and sandbags are ready. He also commented that the water tower is looking good and when it's done if we can send a picture to Paul Neufeld.

Mayor Espitia adjourned to closed session at 6:57p.m.

Mayor Espitia reconvened the meeting at 7:25p.m.

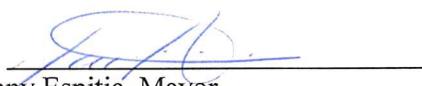
**14) CLOSED SESSION:**

- a) Conference with legal counsel regarding potential litigation pertaining to 1330 F Street, Wasco, CA per Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2).
- b) Conference with legal counsel re Kern County Superintendent of Schools, et al. v. City of Wasco per Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

City Attorney Schroeter reported no reportable action was taken.

- 15) **ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Espitia adjourned the meeting at 7:25p.m.

  
Sarina Juan, Deputy City Clerk

  
Danny Espitia, Mayor