

**MINUTES**  
**City Council, Successor Agency to the**  
**Former Redevelopment Agency, and**  
**Wasco Public Finance Authority**  
**Tuesday, July 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 6:00p.m.

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

Mayor Cortez asked that the meeting be dedicated in memory of resident and past City Council Member Mr. Larry Pearson.

3) **INVOCATION:** Bill Lewis with Griffith Avenue Baptist offered the invocation.

4) **ROLL CALL:**

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

Absent: Member West

Also Present: City Attorney Schroeter, City Clerk Rodriguez, Interim City Manager Paris, Planning Director Mobley, and Sgt. Chandler

5) **PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS:** None

6) **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

Cherylee Wegman, read a Patriotic Quote.

**WASCO PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY BUSINESS:**

7) Approval of Bill Paying List total amount of \$8,162.53

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 (Member West absent), Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote as follows:

AYES: Cortez, Espitia, Martin, Wegman

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: West

8) Report and Possible Approval, RE: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WASCO PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING SIGNING AUTHORITY FOR THE WASCO PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY BANK ACCOUNT HELD AT UNION BANK OF CALIFORNIA.

Interim City Manager Paris gave report.

Member Espitia made a motion to approve the resolution, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Wegman. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1 (Member West absent), Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote as follows:

AYES: Cortez, Espitia, Martin, Wegman

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: West

**SUCCESSOR AGENCY BUSINESS:**

9) Approval of Bill Paying List total amount of \$110,000.00

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 (Member West absent), Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote as follows:

AYES: Cortez, Espitia, Martin, Wegman

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: West

**CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

10) **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:

- June 12, 2014 and June 24, 2014 Special City Council and Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency meeting minutes.

- June 17, 2014 Regular City Council and Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency meeting minutes.

b) Approval of Bill Paying List total amount of \$493,440.74

- c) Report and Possible Approval, RE: Acceptance of the Notice of Completion for the Poso Drive Phase III Reconstruction Project and Authorize the Payment of the Retention Thirty Days after the Notice has been recorded and authorize the City Clerk to file the Notice of Completion.
- d) Report and Possible Approval, RE: Purchase of a Street Sweeper subject to Interim City Manager and City Attorney's approval.
- e) Report and Possible Approval, RE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO APPROVING THE ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT STREETS AND ROADS CLAIM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 AND AUTHORIZING ITS FILING WITH THE KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (amending resolution no. 2014-2960).
- f) Report and Possible Approval, RE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO APPROVING KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT PUBLIC TRANSIT CLAIM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 (amending resolution no. 2014-2959).
- g) Report and Possible Approval, RE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO AUTHORIZING THE FEDERAL FUNDING UNDER FTA SECTION 5311 (49 U.S.C. SECTION 5311) WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (amending resolution no. 2014-2969).
- h) Acknowledge Receipt of Correspondence.
- i) Approve the Reading of All Ordinances by Title Only and Approve Publication of All Ordinances.

Member Espitia asked to pull item 10d for further discussion.

Member Wegman made a motion to approve the remainder of consent calendar, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Martin. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1 (Member West absent), Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote as follows:

AYES: Cortez, Espitia, Martin, Wegman  
 NOES: None  
 ABSTAIN: None  
 ABSENT: West

Member Espitia asked if the street sweeper being purchased is a "full sized" street sweeper. Interim City Manager Paris indicated the street sweeper is a true City street sweeper capable of fulfilling the City's needs for years. Member Espitia asked if staff would be able to use and repair the street sweeper. Interim City Manager Paris informed council that staff is able to use and repair the street sweeper.

Without any further discussion Member Espitia made a motion to approve item 10d, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Martin. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1 (Member West absent), Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote as follows:

AYES: Cortez, Espitia, Martin, Wegman  
 NOES: None  
 ABSTAIN: None  
 ABSENT: West

**11) Report and Possible Approval, RE: Acceptance and Authorization to use new City Seal.**

Director Mobley gave report.

Member Espitia would like to get community input and doesn't like the auditorium for the seal. Mayor Cortez would also like to get community input and possible add the water tower and/or rose fields to the seal.

Mayor Cortez asked council to get community input and report back to staff.

**12) REPORTS FROM CITY STAFF**

Sgt. Chandler reported that he met with CalTrans regarding the speed and lighting on Hwy. 43, north of Filburn. He also reported that the SAL Golf Tournament went well.

Director Mobley reported that at the next meeting staff will have a draft report for the Urban Greening Project.

Director Wren reported that the radar signs have been fixed and one of them was stolen, but it is being replaced.

**13) REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER**

Interim City Manager Paris reported that Mr. Mike Blazenski has been selected as the Interim Finance Director and he begins Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup>.

**14) REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL**

Member Martin asked if staff was advertising for a full time Finance Director, thanked the Sheriff's department for all their help and asked council regarding the outcome on his stipend because he missed the meeting when this was discussed.

Member Wegman thanked Mr. Paris and staff for working together.

Member Espitia asked Sgt. Chandler regarding "no trespassing" signs. He reported to staff that the trees at Westside Park are dying and if the swimming pool project is still moving forward.

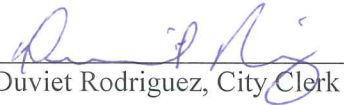
Mayor Cortez adjourned to close session at 6:43p.m.

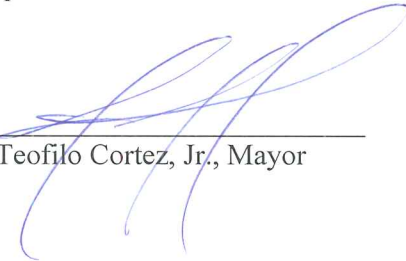
Mayor Cortez reconvened the meeting at 6:45p.m.

**15) CLOSED SESSION:**

- a) Approval of Special Closed Session minutes held on June 12, 2014.  
City Attorney Schroeter reported that Member Wegman made a motion to approve the closed session minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Espitia. All in favor motion carried 4-0-0-1 (West absent)

**16) ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Cortez adjourned the meeting at 6:46p.m.

  
Duviet Rodriguez, City Clerk

  
Teofilo Cortez, Jr., Mayor