

MINUTES
City Council and Successor Agency to the
Former Redevelopment Agency
Tuesday, November 3, 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 offered the invocation
- 4) **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Espitia, Members: Cortez, Hively, Reyna, Wegman

Also Present: City Manager Paris, City Attorney Schroeter, City Clerk Rodriguez, Public Works Director Wren, Finance Director Sanchez, Planning Director Mobley, Lt. Posey, Sgt. Chandler, and KCFD.

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

SUCCESSOR AGENCY BUSINESS:

- 7) Receive and file department payments totaling \$523.25
Member Wegman made a motion to receive and file department payments totaling \$523.25, 2nd by Member Hively. All in favor motion carried 5-0-0-0. Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote.
AYES: Espitia, Cortez, Hively, Reyna, Wegman
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

City Attorney Schroeter asked Council to approve the addition of two items arising after posting the agenda and needing approval tonight. First item is a 5th amendment to the agreement with Jon Tkac extending the due diligence period to January 2016. Second item is an agreement with Attorney Kuhs regarding the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.

Member Cortez made a motion to add the agreement with Jon Tkac as item 15 and the agreement with Mr. Kuhs as item 16, 2nd by Member Reyna. All in favor motion carried 5-0-0-0. Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote.

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

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 October 20, 2015 Regular City Council and Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency Minutes.
 - b) Receive and file department payments totaling \$856,849.67
 - c) Report and Possible Adoption of an Ordinance, RE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO AMENDING TITLE 17, ZONING, OF THE CITY OF WASCO MUNICIPAL CODE, AMENDING SECTION 17.51.030, AND ADDING CHAPTER 17.55, SAID AMENDMENTS ESTABLISHING A NEW ZONING CODE CHAPTER FOR THE HISTORIC DOWNTOWN H-D COMBINING DISTRICT.
 - d) Report and Possible Approval, RE: An Amendment to the cell tower lease agreement previously held between Bakersfield Cellular Telephone Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Bell South Cellular Corporation, now held by New Cingular Wireless PCS LLC, a Delaware limited liability company by CCATT LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and the City of Wasco.
 - e) Report and Possible Approval, RE: Authorizing the purchase of one Diesel Genset: 60Hz-175 KW back-up Generator for Well #7 from Cummins Pacific LLC for \$39,687.00 not including tax and freight charges.
 - f) Acknowledge Receipt of Correspondence.
 - g) 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 5-0-0. Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote.

AYES: Espitia, Cortez, Hively, Reyna, Wegman

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

- 9) Report, Public Hearing and Possible Adoption of an Ordinance, RE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO AMENDING TITLE 17 OF THE CITY OF WASCO MUNICIPAL CODE, AMENDING TABLE 17-4, "RESIDENTIAL ZONE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS" AS REFLECTED IN EXHIBIT A. (Mobley)
Mayor Espitia opened the public hearing at 6:05p.m.
Planning Director Mobley gave report.
Without any comments from the public or Council, Mayor Espitia closed the public hearing at 6:06p.m.
Member Cortez made a motion to adopt the ordinance, 2nd by Member Wegman. All in favor motion carried 5-0-0. Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote.
AYES: Espitia, Cortez, Hively, Reyna, Wegman
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
- 10) Report, Public Hearing and Possible Adoption of an Ordinance, RE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO AMENDING TITLE 17, ZONING, OF THE CITY OF WASCO MUNICIPAL CODE, AMENDING SECTIONS 17.19.010 AND SECTION 17.51.020, SAID AMENDMENTS REVISING LANDSCAPE REQUIREMENTS AND ADOPTING THE STATE MODEL WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE ORDINANCE BY REFERENCE. (Mobley)
Mayor Espitia opened the public hearing at 6:07p.m.
Planning Director Mobley gave report.
Member Wegman asked about mow strip landscape requirements.
Director Mobley asked Council to either adopt the ordinance tonight and bring back an amendment regarding the mow strip at a future meeting or table this item and republish the ordinance with the amendment and conduct the first and second reading once again.
Mayor Espitia closed the public hearing at 6:18p.m.
Member Reyna made a motion to adopt the ordinance and bring the amendment back to a future meeting, 2nd by Member Hively. All in favor motion carried 5-0-0-0. Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote.
AYES: Espitia, Cortez, Hively, Reyna, Wegman
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
- 11) Report, Public Hearing and Possible Approval, RE: An Agreement and Approval to Proceed with an Investment Grade Audit for the Wastewater Solar Project. (Sanchez)
Mayor Espitia opened the public hearing at 6:20p.m.
City Manager Paris gave report.
Ernest Kim, Sirisha Nerella and Steve Cacace with Siemens were present.
Ernest Kim went over the presentation.
There was some discussion regarding financing, other city buildings utilizing solar, and maintenance of panels.
Mayor Espitia closed the public hearing at 6:42p.m.
Member Cortez made a motion to approve the agreement, 2nd by Member Hively. All in favor motion carried 5-0-0-0. Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote.
AYES: Espitia, Cortez, Hively, Reyna, Wegman
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
- 12) Report and Possible Approval, RE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO AUTHORIZING THE USE OF COPS HIRING PROGRAM (CHP) FUNDS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Sanchez)
City Manager Paris gave report.
Member Wegman made a motion to approve the resolution, 2nd by Member Reyna. All in favor motion carried 5-0-0-0. Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote.
AYES: Espitia, Cortez, Hively, Reyna, Wegman
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
- 13) Report and Possible Direction, RE: Approval and acceptance of the 2015 COPS Hiring Program (CHP) award in the amount of \$125,000 to fund one additional deputy. (Sanchez)
City Manager Paris gave report.
There was discussion on the cost for an additional deputy for four years and the need for an additional deputy.
Staff recommended Council table this item until March/April of 2016 and readdress at that time due to the cost for the City being over \$500,000 for the 4 years.
Member Hively made a motion to table this item until March/April of 2016 and readdress at that time, 2nd by Member Reyna. All in favor motion carried 5-0-0-0. Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote.

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

- 14) Report and Possible Approval, RE: A Report of the City of Wasco Utility Cost of Service and Rate Study for Water, and Authorization to Proceed with Proposition 218 Notices, and set a Hearing Date on January 5, 2016. (Paris/Black)

City Manager Paris gave report and discussed exhibit "A" regarding the completed water rates.
City Engineer Greg Black was present and addressed Council.

Resident John Pallares asked if the study could be added to the city website for residents to view.

Member Cortez made a motion to approve the report, proceed with notices and set the hearing date, 2nd by Member Reyna. All in favor motion carried 5-0-0-0. Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote.

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

- 15) City Attorney Schroeter had requested to add this item due to item arising after the agenda was posted. Staff is requesting approval of the Fifth Amendment to the agreement with Jon Tkac and extending the due diligence to January 2016.

Member Reyna made a motion to approve the Fifth Amendment to the agreement with Jon Tkac, 2nd by Member Cortez. Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote.

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

- 16) City Attorney Schroeter had requested to add this item due to item arising after the agenda was posted. Staff is requesting approval of an agreement with Attorney Kuhs for legal services regarding the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. The hourly rate is \$240 and Mr. Kuhs is being used by other agencies in the county as well.

Member Reyna made a motion to approve the agreement with Attorney Khus, 2nd by Member Hively. Clerk Rodriguez announced the vote.

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

17) REPORTS FROM CITY STAFF:

Sgt. Chandler gave an activity report.

Fire Chief gave an activity report.

Planning Director Mobley reported that the final map for the Sentosa lots has been received.

Finance Director Sanchez reported that Bank of America is closing the city's account and staff is looking into other banking options. He handed out the HdL Sales Tax Update for the 2nd Quarter to Council and discussed it.

Public Works Director Wren reported that due to the weather the D Street paving project has been pushed back and the lighting at Central and Hwy. 46 should be turned on tomorrow Wednesday.

18) REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER:

City Manager Paris reported on the following below:

- CalPelra Conference he and Clerk Rodriguez attended.
- Update on the Wonderful Grants.
- Will be meeting with Employers Training Resources regarding temporary positions at no cost to the city.
- High Speed Rail meeting on Thursday at Rabobank Arena.
- Update on the HERO program and handed out a report from the program.
- At the Trunk or Treat event, the city handed out about 450 flashlights to residents. The flashlights were purchased through a PG&E grant the city received.
- On the city website there's been a link added regarding rebates on turf replacement and high efficiency toilets.

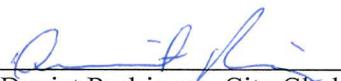
19) REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL

Member Reyna was thankful for the water kit pamphlet received with the utility bill. He also reported that he spoke to numerous people regarding the healthy city initiative and people are interested in helping to plan and implement it.

Member Hively reported that during the night there are people on bikes with no lights around town and would like the deputies to keep an eye out.

20) CLOSED SESSION: None

21) ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Espitia adjourned the meeting at 7:31p.m.


Duviet Rodriguez, City Clerk


Danny Espitia, Mayor