

CITY OF BUELLTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting of August 11, 2016
City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246
Buellton, California

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ed Andrisek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members John Connolly, Leo Elovitz, Holly Sierra, Vice Mayor Dan Baumann and Mayor Ed Andrisek

Staff: City Manager Marc Bierdzinski, Finance Director Carolyn Galloway-Cooper, Public Works Director Rose Hess, City Attorney Steve McEwen, and City Clerk Linda Reid

REORDERING OF AGENDA

Council Member Sierra requested that Item 5 be discussed prior to Item 4. The Council agreed by consensus to this request.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kathy Vreeland, Executive Director of the Buellton Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau, announced that she will be out of town on August 25 and requested that Council reschedule discussion regarding the Visitors Bureau's contract to the meeting of September 8. Ms. Vreeland also announced several upcoming events for the record.

Peggy Brierton, Buellton, provided her support for City Manager Bierdzinski with regard to his performance evaluation under Item 7.

Finn Runge, Buellton, discussed the upcoming water and sewer rate increases.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Minutes of July 28, 2016 City Council Meeting**
- 2. List of Claims to be Approved and Ratified for Payment to Date for Fiscal Year 2016-17**

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Sierra, seconded by Vice Mayor Baumann approving Consent Calendar Items 1 and 2 as listed.

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 5-0.
Council Member Connolly – Yes
Council Member Elovitz – Yes
Council Member Sierra – Yes
Vice Mayor Baumann – Yes
Mayor Andrisek – Yes

PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/ITEMS

Mayor Andrisek announced that the BBQ Bonanza was well attended and thanked staff and volunteer organizations for their support. Mayor Andrisek welcomed Dr. Randal Haggard and Hans Rheinschild to the Buellton Union School District.

The Council agreed by consensus to move the Visitors Bureau’s contract discussion to the meeting of September 22.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

BUSINESS ITEMS

3. Discussion Regarding Basketball Hoops in the Public Right-of-Way

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council review the existing ordinance wording regarding portable basketball hoops and direct staff accordingly.

STAFF REPORT:

City Manager Bierdzinski presented the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

The City Council discussed the issues associated with portable basketball hoops in the public right-of-way and discussed how they block the street sweeper from doing his job.

DIRECTION:

The City Council agreed by consensus to leave the ordinance regarding portable basketball hoops in the right-of-way as it stands for now.

5. Discussion of Permit Process for Flying Flags RV Resort

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Vice Mayor Baumann announced that he has a conflict of interest with Item 5 due to his employment at Flying Flags RV Resort and left the dais at 6:30 p.m.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council receive and file this item.

STAFF REPORT:

City Attorney McEwen presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Richard Kippers, representing the Flying Flags project, addressed the Council and answered questions regarding the permit process and the water line easement.

Ron Dale, Buellton, discussed the Flying Flags RV Park building permit process.

Judith Dale, Buellton, discussed the Planning Department deposits and provided a handout for the record.

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Developer deposits
- Project approval and inspection process
- Detailed developer billings

DIRECTION:

The City Council agreed by consensus to receive and file this item.

Vice Mayor Baumann returned to the dais at 7:15 p.m.

4. Discussion and Possible Award of Contract Regarding Engineering Services

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council discuss the panel’s recommendations for Engineering Services and provide comments and direction on how to proceed with contracted services.

STAFF REPORT:

Public Works Director Hess presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Patrick Wiemiller, Lompoc City Administrator discussed the panel’s findings and answered questions from the Council.

Representatives from the four engineering firms addressed the Council and provided statements regarding their engineering proposals.

Ron Dale, Buellton, discussed the current engineering services contract.

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Connolly, seconded by Council Member Sierra directing staff to bring this item back for discussion at the August 25, 2016 Council meeting.

VOTE:

Motion passed by a voice vote of 5-0.

Council Member Connolly – Yes

Council Member Elovitz – Yes

Council Member Sierra – Yes

Vice Mayor Baumann - Yes

Mayor Andrisek – Yes

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

City Manager Bierdzinski provided an informational report to the City Council.

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- 6. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Government Code Section 54956.9(a))
Terravant Wine Company, LLC v. City of Buellton, et al., Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. 16CV00839
Environment in the Public Interest v. City of Buellton, et al., Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. 16CV00883**

The City Council met in closed session to discuss existing litigation. The lawsuits have been dismissed.

- 7. Closed Session - California Government Code Section 54957 regarding:
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (SIX MONTH REVIEW)
Title: City Manager**

The City Council met in Closed Session regarding the City Manager’s performance evaluation. No reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Andrisek adjourned the regular meeting at 10:00 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Thursday, August 25, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Ed Andrisek
Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Reid
City Clerk