

CITY OF BUELLTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting of October 9, 2014
City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246
Buellton, California

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor John Connolly called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Leo Elovitz led the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Ed Andrisek, Judith Dale, Holly Sierra, Vice Mayor Leo Elovitz, and Mayor Connolly

Staff: City Manager Marc Bierdzinski, City Attorney Ralph Hanson, Finance Director Carolyn Galloway-Cooper, Public Works Director Rose Hess, Station Commander Lt. Shawn O'Grady, and City Clerk Linda Reid

REORDERING OF AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Works Director Hess provided an update regarding the sidewalk improvements on East Highway 246.

Lew Adkins, Buellton, thanked staff for their work on the sidewalk improvements on East Highway 246 and asked staff to keep the pressure on to get the repairs made.

Dan Heedy, Buellton, discussed the Friends of the Library event at Zaca Creek Golf Course on September 28 and expressed his displeasure with how the event was handled.

Kathy Vreeland, Executive Director of the Buellton Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau, provided several announcements for the record.

Peggy Brierton, Buellton, requested that Council agendaize discussion of creating a City Council voting record for public access on the City's website and provided a handout for the record.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Minutes of September 25, 2014 Regular City Council Meeting**
- 2. List of Claims to be Approved and Ratified for Payment to Date for Fiscal Year 2014-15**
- 3. Approval Authorizing the Donation of Surplus Vehicle**
- 4. Authorization of Letter of Intent for Highway 246 Sidewalk Project**
- 5. Award of Contract for Highway 246 Maintenance Work**

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Sierra, seconded by Council Member Dale, approving Consent Calendar Items 1 through 5 as listed.

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 5-0, with Council Members Andrisek, Connolly, Dale, Elovitz, and Sierra voting yes.

PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Council Member Sierra announced that Figueroa Mountain Brewing Company and Firestone Walker Brewing Company both received top honors at a national brewing contest in Denver, Colorado. She also announced that a Buellton team won the Valley Bocce ball tournament.

COUNCIL ITEMS

Council Member Sierra requested that the Public Works Department trim the trees shrouding the stop sign River View and Second Streets and investigate traffic safety improvements in this area.

Vice Mayor Elovitz requested that staff agendize adding a City Council voting record for public access on the City's website. The City Council agreed by consensus to agendize this item.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Sierra announced that she attended the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) meeting and provided an oral report regarding the meeting.

Council Member Sierra announced that she attended the Chamber of Commerce Board meeting and provided an oral report regarding the meeting.

BUSINESS ITEMS

6. Discussion of Potential Zoning Code Amendments for Locations of Fast Food Restaurants

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council direct staff whether to amend the zoning ordinance regarding the location of fast food restaurants with direction of what areas should be excluded.

STAFF REPORT:

City Manager Bierdzinski presented the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Limiting the location of fast food restaurants in the City
- Moratorium or prohibition on fast food restaurants
- Asking fast food restaurants to conform to architecture of the area
- Having the Planning Commission review this issue and provide recommendations to the Council
- Asking Kosmont Companies to discuss this issue on October 23

Peggy Brierton, Buellton, stated that the Council should limit the locations or prohibit fast food restaurants in Buellton and they should not be allowed on the Avenue of Flags.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Sierra, seconded by Vice Mayor Elovitz, requesting staff to develop an ordinance restricting the location of fast food restaurants.

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 3-2, with Council Members Connolly, Elovitz, and Sierra voting yes and Council Members Andrisek and Dale voting no.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

City Manager Bierdzinski provided an informational report for the record.

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- 7. The City Council will conduct a Closed Session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957 concerning the following:
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
Title: City Manager**

The City Council met in closed session to discuss the City Manager’s performance evaluation. No reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Connolly adjourned the regular meeting at 7:15 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Thursday, October 23, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

John Connolly
Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Reid
City Clerk