



MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Lompoc City Council
Tuesday, May 1, 2018 – 6:30 P.M.
City Hall, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Council Chamber

Council Members Present: Victor Vega, James Mosby, Jenelle Osborne, Dirk Starbuck, and Mayor Bob Lingl.

Staff Present: Interim City Manager Teresa Gallavan, City Clerk Stacey Haddon, City Attorney Joseph Pannone, Financial Services Manager Melinda Wall, Development Programs Specialist Jasmine McGinty, Deputy City Manager Laura Dubbels, and Accounting and Revenue Manager Dean Albro.

Others Present: John Linn, Deb Andrews, Nicholas Gonzales, Jimmy Wall, Melissa Sorongon, Stacy Brennan, Cynthia McDuff, Shelby Wuitshick, Todd Mitchell, Teresa Wuitshick, Gary Wuitshick, Ana (Unknown last name), Michelle Heatherby, Angela Mills, Mason Mills, Mark Ashamalla, and Kaitlyn Chui.

Pastor gave the invocation and Mayor Bob Lingl led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Lingl presented a proclamation in honor of **National Economic Development Week** May 7 – 12, 2018

Council Member Osborne introduced Lompoc High School student Erin McCallon, the local area first place winner and California State fourth place winner of the **2018 American Association of University Women's Eleanor Stem Allen Memorial Speech Contest**.

CITY MANAGER REPORT: None

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS (Maximum of 3 Minutes): None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Motion/Second: Vega/Starbuck. By a 5-0 vote, Council:

1. Approved the Minutes of the Lompoc City Council Regular Meeting of November 21, 2017
2. Approved the expenditures for:

Payroll of 04/06/2018 - \$1,141,085.84
Voucher Register of 03/26/2018 – 03/30/2018 -\$1,447,624.58
Voucher Register of 04/02/2018 – 04/06/2018 - \$437,639.13
3. **Adoption of Resolution No, 6176(18) Authorizing the Filing of a Transportation Development Act Claim for Fiscal Year 2018-2019.**

Adopted Resolution No. 6176(18), which sets forth expenditures for California Transportation Development Act (TDA) Local Transportation Funds and State Transit Assistance Fund in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and authorizes the filing of TDA claim package with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments.

STAFF PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS:

- Planning Manager Brian Halvorson gave a brief preliminary information presentation on a Light Study for Riverbend Park. Council discussed this matter, including the use of impact fees for a hydrology study and photometric study for Riverbend Park. Council Member Vega requested Staff research the cost of a photometric study for Riverbend Park, the request was seconded by Council Member Mosby and carried by Council Member Mosby.

STAFF PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS:

- Interim Economic and Community Development Director Christie Alarcon explained there has been no new information made available on Opportunity Zones, but expects the Internal Revenue Service may have information available in July or August 2018.
- Financial Services Manager Melinda Wall provided a brief update on the City's Financial System Upgrade and stated the upgrades to the payroll should be completed between July and October 2018 and the upgrades to the Utility Billing is scheduled for March 2019.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (3 Minutes Maximum):

1. Deb Andrews expressed disappointment in the City's upkeep of its properties.
2. Tom Davidson suggested Council give some concessions to Sure Fresh during the real property negotiations that will allow for this company to relocate into the City.
3. Richard Smith requested Council move forward on working on a plan to help alleviate the problems associated with the increased homelessness inside the City.
4. Kenneth Bridgett expressed concern about illegal activity at and around the Westvale Park.
5. Mary Saladino asked the public to support the local community arts and invited everyone to attend the upcoming Master Chorale concert on May 11 & 12, 2018.
6. (Name not given) expressed concern about increase in local crime rates, stated he supports all first responders, and provided pictures of City-owned cameras installed to unfairly help protect a single member of the Council.
7. Shiloh Belgard spoke about a recent personal negative experience he had with an individual trespassing on private property.
8. Bill (Unknown Last Name), expressed concern about the increase in crime locally and suggested City resources be redirected to address this issue.

APPOINTMENTS:

4. **City Council Appointment of Alternate City Representative to the Northern California Power Agency (NCPA) and the Transmission Agency of Northern California (TANC).**

ACTION: Motion/Second: Mayor Lingl/Starbuck. By a 5-0 vote, Council appointed Acting Utility Director Tikan Singh and Council Member Osborne and removed Management Services Director Brad Wilkie as alternate City representatives to the Northern California Power Agency and the Transmission Agency of Northern California.

NEW BUSINESS:

5. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6175(18), Supporting the Reducing Crime and Keeping California Safe Act of 2018.**

Chief of Police Pat Walsh addressed issues and concerns of homelessness inside the City Limits and the increases in crimes, how recent changes in State laws have changed the ability of police agencies to effectively handle criminal activity, and presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Council thanked the Police Chief for the information and this report.

Public Comment:

1. Will Schuyler encouraged Council to support this resolution.
2. (Name not given) asked for Staff to repeat the name of the act.

City Attorney Joseph Pannone stated the name of the act is Reducing Crime and Keeping California Safe Act of 2018.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Vega/Mosby. By a 5-0 vote, Council adopted Resolution No. 6175(18), to authorize the support of the Reducing Crime and Keeping California Safe Act of 2018

COUNCIL REQUESTS:

- 6. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6177(18), Amending the Lompoc Homebuyer Assistance Program Guidelines and Allocating Funds.**

Interim Economic Development Director Christie Alarcon presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Council Member Starbuck stated these monies will be made available to low income households and not to developers.

Council Member Vega requested the funding be revised to increase the closing cost grants.

Public Comment:

- 1. Maria Aguiniga, representative of the local Realtors Association suggested the Council increase the closing cost grants to \$7,000.00

ACTION: Motion/Second: Vega/Mosby. By a 5-0 vote, Council adopted Resolution No. 6177(18), which, approved the City of Lompoc Homebuyer Assistance Program Guidelines as amended; approved the allocation of \$1,450,000 from the Lompoc Affordable Housing Trust Fund’s (LAHTF) Fund Balance to provide additional funding to the Lompoc Homebuyer Assistance Program; increase the closing cost grant to \$7,000 per contract; and authorized the City Manager, the Interim City Manager or her or his designee to sign any agreements necessary in implementation of the revised program.

RECESS:

At 8:32 P.M. Council recessed to a Closed Session. At 10:00 P.M., the meeting reconvened with all Council Members present.

CLOSED SESSION – City Council Conference Room

BUSINESS ITEM:

- 1. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS:** Property: Easements in the public right-of-way along the north side of Central Avenue between the westerly boundary of the City and V Street and on V Street north of Central Avenue and/or the southerly portion of the Water Treatment Plant property. Agency negotiators: Teresa Gallavan, Interim City Manager and Joseph W. Pannone, City Attorney. Negotiating party: Tom Witt, Sure Fresh. Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION:

City Attorney Joseph Pannone stated no reportable action was taken during the Closed Session.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (2 Minutes Maximum): None

COUNCIL REQUESTS, COMMENTS, AND MEETING REPORTS:

Council Member Vega reminded the public the **Mission to Mars** launch will happen on Saturday, May 5, 2018.

Council Member Mosby reported he attended the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments meeting and asked the public to be careful with the use of Mylar balloons, stating a Mylar balloon was the cause of a local fire recently.

Council Member Starbuck commended the Beautification Commission’s work project completed at the walking path along Olive Avenue at O Street, R Street and the Corner of Olive & V Street and thanked everyone involved in this project.

Council Member Osborne invited the public to stop by the City corporate yard at 1300 West Laurel Avenue, from 9am – 2pm on May 14, 2018 in celebration of Public Works Week, stated the Housing Authority Section 8 List will be reopened briefly beginning on May 7, 2018; reported she attended the Lompoc Job Fair and the Lompoc Elk Annual Dinner in honor of Public Safety Awards; and requested Staff return at a future meeting with a discussion and action item regarding placing a tax measure on commercial cannabis sales onto the November 6, 2018 ballot. The request was seconded by Mayor Lingl and carried by Council Member Vega.

Mayor Lingl reported he attended the Northern California Power Agency (NCPA) Annual Conference in Washington DC, April 14-19, 2018; a NCPA regular meeting in Roseville, CA, April 25-26, 2018, and the Celebration of Life for Carl Edwards on April 30, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT: At 10:08 P.M. Mayor Lingl adjourned the Lompoc City Council to a Regular Meeting on May 15, 2018 at 6:30 P.M., in City of Lompoc Council Chamber.

Approved by Council action on October 2, 2018:

Stacey Haddon
Stacey Haddon, City Clerk