

Minutes of the Study Session of the  
LEMOORE CITY COUNCIL  
September 3, 2013

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

At 5:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Mayor Siegel; Mayor Pro Tem Wynne; Council Members Gordon, Neal, Rodarmel; Acting City Manager/Police Chief Laws; Public Works/Planning Director Wlaschin; Parks and Recreation Director Simonson; Finance Director Silva; Project Manager Holwell; Administrative Analyst Prichard; Police Commander Rossi; Assistant Fire Chief German; Chief Deputy City Clerk Austin

City Attorney Avedisian arrived at 5:46 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**DISCUSSION – Lemoore Police and Fire Dispatch Project:**

Police Commander Rossi discussed the history of police and fire dispatching services in Lemoore and plans for Lemoore to have its own dispatch center at the Lemoore Police Department. It is estimated plans for the project will cost approximately \$120,000, the cost of construction approximately \$810,000 and approximately \$449,000 in projected startup costs. Possible funding for the project was outlined. In addition, staff is researching grant opportunities for the project.

Assistant Fire Chief German discussed the concerns of the Lemoore Volunteer Fire Department and how it will be useful to have their own dispatching services.

Council directed staff to bring back an action item to procure an architect firm to prepare plans for the project.

**DISCUSSION – Telecasting/Webcasting Council Meetings:**

Executive Secretary Austin detailed the Council's previous discussions of telecasting/webcasting Council Meetings. Possible options and estimated costs of broadcasting the meetings were highlighted.

Council discussed concerns of community members who are unable to attend Council Meetings. There was also discussion of the audio currently available on the City's website.

Acting City Manager Laws said staff would attempt to separate the audio from tonight's meeting by item and upload it to the website.

**DISCUSSION – Impact Fees and Master User Fees – Fee History and Philosophy:**

Administrative Analyst Prichard gave an overview of the history of Master User and Impact Fees in Lemoore.

Council directed Prichard to analyze options available to lower impact fees for commercial and industrial businesses by using increased property and sales tax to offset the fee reduction. Council Member Gordon brought up the possibility of using Successor Agency funds, and also requested staff to look into the Cities of Sanger and Clovis and how they were able to reduce fees.

**CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Karen Polk Osterland asked about the Lemoore Golf Course matters listed on previous closed sessions. Mayor Siegel asked her to come back to the 7:30 Regular Session since it was not on tonight's agenda.

**ADJOURN TO LEMOORE CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION:**

At 6:44 p.m., the Council adjourned to closed session regarding potential litigation and public employee appointments.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 7:28 p.m., Council adjourned to the Regular Meeting.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the  
LEMOORE CITY COUNCIL  
September 3, 2013

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

At 7:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Mayor Siegel; Mayor Pro Tem Wynne; Council Members Gordon, Neal, Rodarmel; Acting City Manager/Police Chief Laws; City Attorney Avedisian; Public Works/Planning Director Wlaschin; Parks and Recreation Director Simonson; Finance Director Silva; Administrative Analyst Prichard; Chief Deputy City Clerk Austin

**ANNOUNCEMENT:**

Mayor Siegel reported that all closed session matters were discussed and there were no announcements.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Karen Polk Osterland voiced concerns over the potential sale of the golf course. Mayor Siegel asked an item be placed on the September 17<sup>th</sup> Study Session to discuss the concept of selling the golf course and listen to community concerns.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

It was moved by Council Member Rodarmel, seconded by Council Member Wynne, and carried that the Council approve the following Consent Calendar:

- A. Approval – Minutes – Regular Meeting – August 20, 2013
- B. Approval – Warrant Register 12-13 – August 29, 2013
- C. Approval – Warrant Register 13-14 – August 29, 2013
- D. Approval – Purchase of Replacement Police Vehicle
- E. Approval – Purchase of Air Rifle Range Lighting
- F. Approval – Purchase and installation of Big Fan CMC Recreation Center

Ayes: Rodarmel, Wynne, Gordon, Neal, Siegel

PUBLIC HEARING – Community Development Block Grant Number 10-STBG-6722 Close-Out: Housing Special Austin summarized the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds to provide Public Improvements in Support of Housing New Construction for the Cinnamon Villas Senior Housing Project.

Mayor Siegel opened the Public Hearing. No members of the public wished to speak, so the Public Hearing was closed.

It was moved by Council Member Gordon, seconded by Council Member Rodarmel, and carried that the Council approve the Close-Out Certification, Final Grantee Performance Report, and Close-Out Financial Accomplishment Reports and authorize staff to forward these documents to the Department of Housing and Community Development.

Ayes: Gordon, Rodarmel, Neal, Wynne, Siegel

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – ADA Transition Plan – Adoption:

It was moved by Council Member Rodarmel, seconded by Council Member Gordon, and carried that the Council adopt the ADA report as final and budget two percent of the Maintenance Division Operation and Maintenance Budget, less any capital expenses, to implement the plan.

Ayes: Rodarmel, Gordon, Neal, Wynne, Siegel

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – Contract with Kings Community Development Corporation for Community Development Block Grant Application Preparation:

The following individuals spoke regarding the item:

Lisa Elgin  
Alejandro Clark  
Syd Smyth  
Chris Dickman

It was moved by Council Member Gordon, seconded by Council Member Wynne, and carried that the Council authorize the Acting City Manager to enter into a contract with Kings Community Development Corporation to Prepare a CDBG application for the 2014 General Allocation Round.

Ayes: Gordon, Wynne, Neal, Rodarmel, Siegel

APPROVAL – Warrant Register – Successor Agency Pursuant to Enforceable Obligation Payment Schedule:

It was moved by Council Member Rodarmel, seconded by Council Member Wynne, and carried that the Council approve the warrant register.

Ayes: Rodarmel, Wynne, Gordon, Neal, Siegel

DEPARTMENT/CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

None.

COUNCIL REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION:

Council Member Rodarmel voiced concerns regarding the lack of handicap parking for the downtown area. He suggested that the next time the City parking lot on “C” Street is resealed that it also be striped with parking going the opposite direction, so that the parking lot can have both an entrance and an exit separate from the one-way alley. There is also an ongoing issue with beverage delivery trucks using the alley off Fox Street by Mickey’s and blocking traffic. Finally, he referenced a Public Works Newsletter that he forwarded to Mr. Wlaschin and asked if it was helpful.

CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENT:

All closed session matters were addressed earlier. The Council did not adjourn to the closed session.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:36 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Approved the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013.

Full digital audio recording is available.

Attest:

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William M. Siegel, Jr., Mayor

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Brooke Austin, Chief Deputy City Clerk