

May 5, 2015 Minutes
Study Session Joint City Council /
★ Redevelopment Successor Agency Meeting

CALL TO ORDER:

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

ROLL CALL: Mayor/Chairman: WYNNE
Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair: CHEDESTER
Council/Board Members: MADRIGAL, NEAL, SIEGEL

City Staff and contract employees present: Interim City Manager Hoggard; City Attorney Van Bindsbergen; Parks and Recreation Director Simonson; Finance Director Silva; Interim Public Works/Planning Director Rivera; Executive Secretary/Housing Specialist Austin; City Clerk Venegas.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

STUDY SESSION – Section SS

SS-1 Meyer Ranch House Lease Proposal

Executive Secretary/Housing Specialist Austin provided a brief history of the Meyer Ranch House. The Sarah Mooney Museum Board of Directors would like to enter into a long-term lease of the Meyer Ranch House to expand the scope of the Museum to create The Lower Kings River Cultural Heritage Center. The restrictions of the current MOU with the Housing Authority expire December 13, 2015.

Lynda Lahodny, President of the Sarah Mooney Museum Board of Directors, spoke of the Board of Directors vision for the Meyer Ranch House. She also said grant opportunities are available as well as many supporters for this project.

Nancy Ahumada spoke.

Consensus by Council to move forward with lease proposal.

SS-2 Future Funding for Retirement Functions

Interim City Manager Hoggard informed Council this item was discussed at the March 17, 2015 meeting, a budget amendment of \$4,000 was approved for FY14/15 with specific year of service terms and it was asked that this item be brought back prior to the next budget cycle.

Finance Director Silva shared the Kings County Law Enforcement retirement process. County did not provide any funds. A committee was established for the function and tickets were sold to fund the entire retirement.

Jane Dart spoke and Parks and Recreation Director Simonson spoke.

Consensus by Council for staff to bring back a few options at another study session.

SS-3 Discontinuance of 4th of July Celebration

Parks and Recreation Director Simonson informed Council the 4th of July Celebration has had numerous changes since 2009 including the Chamber stopped the 4th of July parade, the Palace began fireworks and the Navy has their own free activities which includes fireworks. The Pizza Festival has moved their three day event to City Park with a very similar layout to the 4th of July celebration. The Firecracker 5K Run and 3K walk continues to be very successful.

It is the Parks and Recreation Commission’s opinion that there is no longer the need in the community to continue the 4th of July celebration. The Commission feels the costs associated for recreation staff, maintenance staff and activity expenses are too high and do not warrant such a celebration with so little a turnout.

Jane Dart spoke.

Item will be brought back during the regular session for approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT – CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There was no public comment.

At 6:16 p.m. Council adjourned to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

- 1. Conference with Labor Negotiator, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
 Agency Negotiator: Ron Hoggard
 Employee Organization: Unrepresented Employees and City Manager
- 2. Public Employee Appointment, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
 Title: City Manager

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:03 p.m. Council adjourned.

**May 5, 2015 Minutes
Regular Joint City Council /
★ Redevelopment Successor Agency Meeting**

CALL TO ORDER:

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

ROLL CALL: Mayor/Chairman: WYNNE
 Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair: CHEDESTER
 Council/Board Members: MADRIGAL, NEAL, SIEGEL

City Staff and contract employees present: Interim City Manager Hoggard; City Attorney Van Bindsbergen; Parks and Recreation Director Simonson; Finance Director Silva; Interim Public Works/Planning Director Rivera; Police Commander Rossi; Quad Knopf Planner Joyner; City Clerk Venegas.

ANNOUNCEMENT from Closed Session

There was no announcement.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lisa Elgin provided a handout in regards to Elite Acid. She also provided an opinion as to why it was incorrect.

Connie Wlaschin asked if an RFP was received for the Golf Course concession. Parks and Recreation Director Simonson said no RFP's were received for the concession but several of the RFP's for the Golf Course Maintenance had it included. The Golf Course proposals will be reviewed on Monday.

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All items listed under Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. For discussion of any Consent Item, it will be made a part of the Regular Agenda at the request of any member of the City Council or any person in the audience.

CEREMONIAL / PRESENTATIONS – Section 1

1-1 Employee of the Quarter – 1st Quarter of 2015

Utility Operator / employee Alberto Camacho was named Employee of the 1st Quarter 2015.

1-2 National Public Works Week - May 17-23, 2015

Mayor Wynne read the proclamation to declare May 17-23rd National Public Works Week and presented it to Frank Rivera, Interim Public Works/Planning Director.

CONSENT CALENDAR – Section 2

2-1 Approval – Minutes – Regular Meeting – April 21, 2015

2-2 Approval – Warrant Register 14-15 – May 1, 2015

2-3 Approval – Amendment No. 1 to the Lemoore Police Officers Association Memorandum of Understanding

2-4 Approval – Discontinuation of 4th of July Celebration

2-5 Approval – Authorization to Bid - Cinnamon Drive Canal Project

Item 2-3 was pulled for separate consideration.

Motion by Council Member Chedester, seconded by Council Member Madrigal, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented, excluding Item 2-4.

Ayes: Chedester, Madrigal, Neal, Siegel, Wynne

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Section 3

There were no public hearings.

NEW BUSINESS – Section 4

4-1 Informational – 2011 City of Lemoore Strategic Financial Policy - SFP

Interim City Manager Hoggard informed Council the 2011 City of Lemoore Strategic Financial Policy (SFP) adopted reflects that “At least once every four years, the City Council shall review the Strategic Financial Policy to determine if the policies contained herein remain relevant and prudent.” Decisions made to retain or change the current SFP will impact current or future budgets as provided for in the policy review process.

Informational Only. No Council action.

DEPARTMENT AND CITY MANAGER REPORTS – Section 5

5-1 Department Reports

Parks and Recreation Director Simonson informed Council the two decorative street lights will be installed the first week of June. He also thanked Council Member Chedester and Chief Smith for participating in the FootGolf kickoff.

Finance Director Silva informed Council the recently donated fire truck valued at \$40,000 was recently appraised and came in at a higher amount. The appraisal amount is \$55,750 and an IRS form with the new amount will be completed. A copy of the complete appraisal is on file.

5-2 City Manager Reports

Interim City Manager Hoggard reported the following:

- City Manager interviews have been conducted and Council will interview four candidates
- A letter, drafted by Quad Knopf, regarding water usage was sent to the State as it was required to be received by today’s date.
- At next Council study session, we will be talking more about drought, water conservation, the water fund and a water rate study.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND REQUESTS – Section 6

6-1 City Council Reports / Requests

Council Member Siegel indicated a meeting was held at the Senior Center and a presentation for a permanent bus stop would be discussed. He asked that the seniors continue to send letters to the KCAPTA and KCAG boards of the importance of a bus stop at the Senior Center.

Council Member Siegel asked the status of the grant. Mr. James Clark with KCDC stated the grant has been approved but waiting on the state in order to move forward.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:04 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Mary J. Venegas
City Clerk

Lois Wynne
Mayor