

**February 19, 2019 Minutes
Study Session
City Council Regular Meeting**

CALL TO ORDER:

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

ROLL CALL: Mayor: NEAL
Mayor Pro Tem: BILLINGSLEY
Council Members: BLAIR, BROWN, LYONS

City Staff and contract employees present: City Manager Olson; Assistant City Manager Speer; City Attorney Van Bindsbergen; Public Works Director Rivera; Community Development Director Holwell; Parks and Recreation Director Glick; Police Chief Smith; Deputy City Clerk Avalos; IT Analyst Richie Bolen.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment.

5:30 pm STUDY SESSION

SS-2 Kings County Office of Education (KCOE) Fiber Optic Project

Assistant City Manager Speer introduced Ed Bonham, Chief Technology Officer with Kings County Office of Education to provide information on their fiber optic project. She also introduced Richie Bolen, IT Analyst with the City of Lemoore. Bolen has been working with Bonham since he started working with the City of Lemoore. Bonham stated that the City of Lemoore has been in discussion with KCOE since 2016 regarding this project. Currently KCOE is the internet provider for all schools in Kings County. There are cell towers at every school. The goal is to put fiber at all the schools, starting in Lemoore.

Consensus was received by Council to direct staff to other coordinate projects and timetables with this project to save on cost and possible apply for additional monies through grants.

SS-3 Lemoore Police Department Annual Report (Smith)

Police Chief Smith presented the 2018 Lemoore Police Department Annual Report and highlighted statistics, programs and events throughout the year. He thanked Executive Assistant Valerie Cazares for designing and creating the LPD Annual Report.

Tom Reed spoke.

Consensus was received by Council to direct staff to provide reports in regards to parking citations.

At 6:25 p.m., Council adjourned to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Government Code Section 54956.9
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
Four Cases
2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Government Code Section 54956.9
Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
One Case
3. Public Employee Performance Evaluation
City Manager
4. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
Government code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
City of Lemoore v. Holly Andrade Blair
Case No. 19C-0043

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:20 p.m., Council adjourned.

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REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

There was no report out on Item 4. Council will resume to Closed Session after the meeting to discuss Items 1, 2, and 3.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tom Reed read a prepared statement regarding the February 5th Council meeting.

Connie Wlaschin stated she was listening to study session and at the end there were a couple of comments made that she was unable to hear. She reviewed the warrant register and questioned the amount spent on Attorney fees last month.

John Henderson read a prepared statement on behalf of the Lemoore Police Officers Association regarding a Facebook post from Holly Andrade Blair.

James Chaney followed up in support of the letter presented by the LPOA.

Emmanuel Lopez reminded the community that West Hills is hosting Food Day this Thursday beginning at 10 am. The last women's basketball game of the season will be on Saturday, February 23rd at the Golden Arena. There is a possibility that West Hills will partner with Fresno FC, a second division soccer team to help expand the soccer program.

Colby Wells, Public Affairs Manager with SoCal Gas, provided an update on natural gas in the state of California. California is working towards its greenhouse goals emissions for 2030 and 2050. The State has decided that electrification is the path they want to take. This would be an elimination of natural gas completely. Ab 3232 was introduced into the legislature last year, which requires all new buildings by 2022 to be electric and by 2030 all existing buildings to be retrofitted at the owner's expense.

Ed Rogers stated he worked for the City of Clovis for 30+ years. One of the reasons he moved to Lemoore was because of public safety. He sees Lemoore Police Department as a model of the Clovis Police Department 40 years ago. The department is proactive, not reactive. He is very proud of the department.

CEREMONIAL / PRESENTATION – Section 1

There were no Ceremonial / Presentations.

DEPARTMENT AND CITY MANAGER REPORTS – Section 2

2-1 Department & City Manager Reports

Public Works Director Rivera provided an update on Well 10. Contractor has been working out there and was able to reach 330 depth. They will be sending a tool down to round and insert a thicker liner for repair. Keeping fingers crossed that this is the only repair needed.

City Manager Olson received an invitation from Kings EDC. They have scheduled the City to meet with a commercial hemp manufacturer. This manufacturer is already in contract with Hanford for 1600 acres. They are interested in speaking with Lemoore about possible opportunities. The oil fields out in Coalinga are also looking to expand in Lemoore and Hanford.

CONSENT CALENDAR – Section 3

3-1 Approval – Minutes – Regular Meeting – February 5, 2019

Motion by Council Member Brown, seconded by Council Member Lyons, to approve Consent Calendar as presented.

*Ayes: Brown, Lyons, Billingsley, Neal
Noes: Blair*

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Section 4

- 4-1 General Plan Amendment No. 2018-03: A proposal to remove the future alignment of Cedar Lane as a Collector street from the Circulation Element of the Lemoore General Plan between Vine Street and Lemoore Avenue. CEQA Determination: covered by 2008 General Plan Environmental Impact Report - Resolution 2019-07

Jim Grantham and Mr. Singh spoke.

Motion by Council Member Blair, seconded by Council Member Billingsley to approve General Plan Amendment No. 2018-03: A proposal to remove the future alignment of Cedar Lane as a Collector street from the Circulation Element of the Lemoore General Plan between Vine Street and Lemoore Avenue. CEQA Determination: covered by 2008 General Plan Environmental Impact Report - Resolution 2019-07.

Ayes: Blair, Billingsley, Brown, Lyons, Neal

NEW BUSINESS – Section 5

- 5-1 Report and Recommendation – Kings County Office of Education Fiber Optic Cable Installation Contract

Motion by Council Member Blair, seconded by Council Member Billingsley, to approve the contract with Kings County Office of Education (KCOE) for the installation of fiber optic infrastructure within the city limits for use by KCOE.

Ayes: Blair, Billingsley, Lyons, Brown, Neal

Consensus was also received by Council making sure staff prioritizes having as many children in Lemoore access to the internet at a free or reduced cost.

- 5-2 Report and Recommendation – Adopting Chapter 10 Consultant Selection of the Local Assistance Procedures Manual as the Process to be Followed by the City when Acquiring Architectural and Engineering Consultant Services Related to Federal and State Funded Transportation Projects – Resolution 2019-08 (Rivera)

Motion by Council Member Brown, seconded by Council Member Lyons, to adopt Resolution 2019-08, adopting Chapter 10 (Consultant Selection) of the Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM) as the process for the City when acquiring architectural and engineering services related to federal and state funded transportation projects.

Ayes: Brown, Lyons, Billingsley, Blair, Neal

- 5-3 Report and Recommendation – Abatement of Public Nuisances and Setting a Public Hearing – Resolution 2019-09 (Rivera)

Ed Rogers and Thomas Nix spoke.

Motion by Council Member Brown, seconded by Council Member Lyons, to approve Resolution 2019-09 and set a public hearing to abate structures as listed in the same.

Ayes: Brown, Lyons, Billingsley, Neal

Noes: Blair

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND REQUESTS – Section 6

6-1 City Council Reports / Requests

Council Member Brown thanked the Lemoore Police Department and Lemoore Volunteer Fire Department for all their hard work. He also thanked City staff and the public.

Council Member Lyons thanked the Lemoore Police Department for their work and presentation. He does not promote or advocate hostility towards law enforcement. Also thanked Mayor Neal for the pen.

Mayor Pro Tem Billingsley thanked the Lemoore Police Department and Chief Smith for his presentation. He apologized to Officers Chaney and Henderson for anything that might have contributed to their families feeling unsafe.

Mayor Neal stated that the Council meeting was very interesting. He thanked the Police Department and community for their patience, long suffering, and all of the above. He also thanked the Council.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:45 p.m., Council adjourned.

Approved the 5th day of March 2019.

APPROVED:

Edward Neal, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary J. Venegas, City Clerk