

**REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF CALIFORNIA CITY
CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday February 2, 2010
Council Chambers, 21000 Hacienda Blvd.
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Adams called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation, the city clerk called the roll:

PRESENT: Councilmembers Smith, Strong, Lessenevitch, Edmiston
Mayor Adams

ABSENT: None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Lessenevitch, second by Councilmember Smith to adopt the agenda. Motion carried 5-0

PRESENTATIONS

Citizens Rhonda and Alan Vasquez, along with Chuck McGuire displayed a model for the restoration of the Pavilion at Central Park.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS

City Manager Weil reported that the staff is currently working with Benz, cross checking trash accounts; cost of in house utility billing versus the current out sourcing that is currently being done. (in house billing expense is significantly higher); task force handling water account delinquencies continues to make progress in collecting outstanding balances. Police Chief Colerick provided a midyear report on OHV program. Division Fire Chief Paris reported that there is a current freeze on "Safer Grants" which the department had previously applied for to cover additional personnel.

CIVIC / COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kim Collins, Citizen's Advisory Committee updated the Council on its last meeting

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Public comment was received from Rhonda Vasquez, Kim Collins, Daniel Brady (SCE Contact), Herb Oliver (Edwards Federal Credit Union), and Bill Tarvin

CONSENT CALENDAR / PUBLIC COMMENT

- CC 1.** City check registers dated through 01/28/10
- CC 2.** Approve minutes of meetings dated 11/04/09, 11/17/09, 12/01/09, and 12/15/09
- CC 3.** Approve Amendment No. 5 to Lease and Agreement with Family 413 of the Scouts of America
- CC 4.** Approve Senior Citizens Bingo Permit
- CC 5.** Council give First Reading, by Title only, with further Reading waived of **“AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIFORNIA CITY GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE TAXI FRANCHISE TO ROSAMOND TAXI SERVICE”**

Public comment was received regarding CC4.

Motion by Councilmember Lessenevitch, second by Councilmember Strong to approve the consent calendar. Roll call vote as follows:

- AYES:** Smith, Strong, Lessenevitch, Edmiston, Adams
- NAYS:** None
- ABSTAIN:** None
- ABSENT:** None

NEW BUSINESS

NB 1. Statewide Park Program Grant Application

City Manager Weil reported that staff has been working closely with Townsend Public Affairs developing a grant application for Balsitis Park improvements in the amount of \$5 million dollars. State Department of Parks and Recreation requires the applicant to certify by resolution the approval of an application before submission of the application. No matching funds are required for this grant; staff is requesting adoption of resolution.

Mayor Pro Tem Edmiston voiced his concerns in regards to the resolution stating that the applicant agrees with provisions in the contract when the contract is not being provided here tonight. It was explained that the contract itself is not released until the State receives our application and it is approved.

Motion by Councilmember Lessenevitch, second by Councilmember Smith to adopt **“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIFORNIA CITY APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR STATEWIDE PARK PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS FOR THE BALSITIS COMMUNITY PARK IMPROVEMENTS”** Motion carried 5-0

NB 2. Central Park Fencing Project

City Manager Weil reported that the Parks and Recreation Commission had submitted a letter to the council asking them to consider funding a security fence around Central park. A general outline of the proposed fencing line as well as what materials will be used were discussed. Staff is requesting permission to go forward by reviewing cost estimates and prepare to go out to bid.

Council questions were addressed.

Public comment was received in favor of the project.

Consensus of the council to proceed with the fencing project.

NB 3. Mid Year Budget Review FY 09/10

City Manager Weil explained that the mid-year budget is much better than originally anticipated. He reported that the ending fund balance is actually projected to be around \$1.2 million instead of the anticipated \$400,000. He attributes this to the hard work of the various departments. We still face challenges in the months ahead involving the State, but staff will press forward so that we enter the next fiscal year maintaining that \$1.2 million in the general fund. He also reviewed with the council the Department Summary sheet provided.

City Treasurer Sharon Williams provided a report on the potential impact on the city's revenues from the Governor's proposed budget.(handout)

COUNCIL AGENDA

Councilmember Smith - Commended Tom Weil on his positive approach at getting problems resolved.

Mayor Pro Tem Edmiston - Census 2010; very important for everyone to participate

Mayor Adams - Commended citizen Jim Kelly on graffiti clean up; thanks to Police Dept for their response to an incident at the Middle School; congratulations to Bob Smith being featured in the "Stakeholder's Magazine"

CLOSED SESSION

CS 1. Per Gov't Code Section 54956.9; Confer with Legal Counsel regarding Potential Litigation

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CS 4. Per Gov't Code Section 54956.8; Confer with Real Property Negotiator regarding APN #206-020-17-4

CS 5. Per Gov't Code Section 54956.8; Confer with Real Property Negotiator regarding APN #225-113-11-7

CLOSED SESSION ACTION

City Attorney Lemieux reported that each item listed under Closed Session was discussed with further direction given to staff. No formal action taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Edmiston, second by Councilmember Lessenevitch to adjourn at 7:00 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Denise Hilliker, City Clerk

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON _____