

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
CALIFORNIA CITY  
CITY COUNCIL  
WEDNESDAY April 29, 2009, 6:00 p.m.  
Council Chambers, 21000 Hacienda Blvd.**

**OPENING CEREMONIES**

Mayor Pro Tem Edmiston opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance the City Clerk called the roll:

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Smith, Strong, Lessenevitch, Edmiston

**ABSENT:** Mayor Adams

Motion by Councilmember Lessenevitch, second by Councilmember Smith to excuse Mayor Adams. Motion carried 4-0

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion by Councilmember Lessenevitch, second by Councilmember Smith to adopt the agenda. Motion carried 4-0

**CLOSED SESSION**

**CS 1.** Per Gov't Code Section 54956.8; confer with Real Property Negotiator, regarding APN # 210-160-60

**CLOSED SESSION ACTION**

City Attorney Lemieux reported that the council discussed the acquisition of the Right of Way for street purposes. No formal action was taken but it was the consensus of the council to call for a Special Meeting on Thursday, April 30, 09 at 6:30pm. to further discuss and act on this item.

**WORKSHOP** Water Workshop

Public Works Director Bevins reported that the point of this workshop and subsequent presentation is to bring the community as well as council up to speed on all of the City's water related problems and situations. (see attached) In summary he emphasized that the City is short in several areas. First our rate is going to have to increase significantly not only to pay for our existing expenses, but to pay for future improvements that need to happen in the system. Second the City is going to have to implement some internal policies where water that has been available to other areas is paid for. Bonding companies that we are going to be dealing with to improve our system are going to require this. No more free water.

Also very crucial is that we upgrade all of the City's water meters so that we can make sure that water being used is being billed to the appropriate people. Internally, staff wise, we need to make the changes necessary to make sure we do not have billing errors. Unfortunately the public is going to view their rate increase as billing errors so efforts will have to be made to educate them on the impact of the changes that the council will be proposing.

City Attorney Lemieux reviewed aspects of the Stetson water study which was recently completed.

Public comments were received and clarification was given to some misconceptions in regards to water rights.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Councilmember Lessenevitch, second by Councilmember Smith to adjourn at 8:24 pm. Motion carried. 4-0

Respectfully submitted by,

Denise Hilliker, City Clerk

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