

**REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF CALIFORNIA CITY
CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday September 1, 2009
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.

PRESENTATIONS None

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS

Firefighters Andrew Roach and David Orr reported on various upcoming fire department events

CIVIC / COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pam William - Girl Scouts; request to put pinwheels on city hall lawn to promote International Peace

Shirley Heathman - East Kern Healthcare District; Cancer Walk 10/24

Pastor Pope; "Read the Bible in One year" (handout)

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Public comment was received from Arthur Kutivan (handout), Lou Peralta, Rhonda Vasquez, Rick Warren and Pat Bohannon

CONSENT CALENDAR / PUBLIC COMMENT

CC 1. City check registers dated through 08/27/09

CC 2. Council adopt **"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIFORNIA CITY AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 08-01-1941 (MASTER FEE RESOLUTION) AS IT RELATES TO FEES FOR REGISTRATION OF ABANDONED, ACCESSIBLE OR DISTRESSED PROPERTY"**

CC 3. Council adopt **"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIFORNIA CITY TO ACCEPT THE BID AND TO**

EXECUTE A CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT WITH S & S CONCRETE INC. dba SLIPFORM, FUNDED UNDER THE TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) ARTICLE 3 PROGRAM”

CC 4. Council approve Helt Engineering for professional services for CCB Signalization Project

Councilmember Smith requested that CC4 be pulled for discussion and separate vote.

Motion by Councilmember Lessenevitch, second by Councilmember Strong to approve CC1, CC2 and CC3 on the consent calendar. Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Smith, Strong, Lessenevitch, Edmiston, Adams

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Strong CC3; Smith Ck #73109

ABSENT: None

CC 4.

Councilmember Smith received clarification on his concerns. Discussion among council members and staff regarding engineer and fees incurred. Consensus of council to task staff with looking into the fee schedules of other engineering firms.

Motion by Councilmember Lessenevitch, second by Councilmember Strong to approve CC4 on the consent calendar. Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Smith, Strong, Lessenevitch, Edmiston, Adams

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

CONTINUED BUSINESS

CB 1. Rental Inspection Program Ordinance

City Attorney Lemieux gave the history on how this item was brought before a previous council and defeated. The current council voiced their approval to revisit this type of ordinance. Counsel has brought back a refined, more tailored document for the council's consideration. He explained that this is basically a process ordinance regarding residential rental properties. If adopted, staff will bring back a resolution establishing the fees for this program.

Council voiced their concerns on the fees and the added burden this ordinance might bring to the property owners. They also feel we have

owner occupied residents that are not being taken care and need to be addressed.

Public comment was received, noting concerns against the ordinance.

Item dies for lack of a motion by Council.

NEW BUSINESS

NB 1. Prequalification Policy for Public Works Projects Ordinance

City Attorney Lemieux explained that this ordinance arises because the City has some projects coming up that may cost more than 1 million dollars. Public Contracts Code 20101 permits the cities to prequalify contractors and subcontractors who wish to bid on public works contracts if the City adopts procedures to ensure projects are constructed by contractors of the highest quality at the best possible price. This ordinance establishes a prequalification policy for the city for projects in excess of 1 million dollars.

Council's concerns and questions were addressed.
No public comments received.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Edmiston, second by Councilmember Strong to give First Reading, by Title only, with Further Reading waived, of "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIFORNIA CITY AMENDING THE CALIFORNIA CITY MUNICIPAL CODE BY ESTABLISHING A PREQUALIFICATION POLICY FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS" Roll call vote as follows:

Council was reminded that current practice is limited to qualifying a bidder.

AYES: Strong, Lessenevitch, Edmiston, Adams

NAYS: Smith

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

NB 2. Airport Leases

City Attorney Lemieux reported that it has been quite some time since the standard lease form has been in front of the council. Also staff is asking for a current authorization for the City Manager to execute the agreements.

No council or public comments were noted.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Edmiston, second by Councilmember Strong to approve minor revisions to various lease options and authorize the City Manager to execute lease agreements. Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Smith, Strong, Lessenevitch, Edmiston, Adams

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

COUNCIL AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Edmiston - thanks for those who participated in the desert clean up event. Thoughts and prayers for Marv Sass, who has been recently hospitalized

Mayor Adams - Thanks also for all the hard work at the clean up. Condolences to the families of Jo Marsh and Jerry Paige and Steven Franks

CLOSED SESSION

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

CLOSED SESSION ACTION

City Attorney Lemieux reported that the item was discussed, no formal action taken

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Edmiston, second by Councilmember Lessenevitch to adjourn at 7:20 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Denise Hilliker, City Clerk

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON _____