

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

February 28, 2011

Mayor Vierra called the February 28, 2011 City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following in attendance:

ROLL CALL Council Members Durossette, Ochoa, Mayor Vierra

EXCUSED Vice Mayor Lane

INVOCATION by Pastor Steve LaFarge, Grace Community Christian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the flag led by Mayor Vierra

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

- Miguel Zamora, business owner, addressed Council. Mr. Zamora's business is repeatedly being vandalized and he is asking assistance from the City. Acting City Manager/Police Chief Art de Werk instructed Mr. Zamora to meet with Deputy Chief Borges to discuss the matter.
- Joe Hollstein, resident, requested that the speed monitor on Moffett Road be turned off or removed after school starts and in the evenings. It is currently on all day at 25 mph and the speed limit on Moffett when school is not in session is 35 mph.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED (OR AMENDED) AND CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

MOTION: Approval the agenda as posted and certification of posting.

MOVED: Moved by Durossette/seconded by Lane

VOTE: Motion passed with Councilmember Lane excused (3/0)

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS/COMMISSIONS – None.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. General Correspondence – **Information Only**
 - a. Public Works Department Monthly Report for January, 2011.
 - b. IT Division Monthly Report for January, 2011.
2. Register of Audited Demands for period covering February 4-18, 2011.
3. **Resolution No. 2010-21** calling for the holding of a Special Municipal Election on Tuesday November 8, 2011, for the Election of a City Council Member to fill a vacancy as required by the provision of the Laws of the State of California Relating to General Law Cities.
4. **Resolution No. 2011-22** awarding the Construction Contract for the City of Ceres Alley Improvements, Proposition 1B, 2008 Allocation Project to George Reed, Inc. in the amount of \$284,226.75, authorizing a 10% contingency, authorizing Consultant Services additional work to MVE, Inc. for Construction Staking and authorizing the Acting City Manager to Execute the Contract and Additional Work Authorization.

5. **Resolution No. 2011-23** authorizing the Fleet Division to purchase for the Police Department two (2) patrol vehicles in the amount of \$50,855.15 from Downtown Ford Sales per City of Sacramento, Contract No. B11310610909. *It was pointed out that these vehicles are only available at three dealerships state-wide. The closest one is in Sacramento.*
6. **Resolution No. 2011-24** setting the Terms and Conditions of Employment for Members of the Miscellaneous Bargaining Unit.

MOTION: Approve Consent Calendar Items 1-6 as recommended by staff.

MOVED: Moved by Durossette/seconded by Ochoa

VOTE: Motion passed with Vice Mayor Lane excused. (3/0)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. Review of current Redevelopment Agency projects, consideration and approval of additional Redevelopment Agency projects, commitment of funds for said projects, and adoption of all resolutions necessary for Agency approval and implementation.

Staff had nothing new to report.

PUBLIC HEARING – None.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Consideration of administrative restructuring of certain managerial functions, duties and assignments; increases in compensation for some positions; and resolutions implementing the changes.

Resolution No. 2011-25 approving Administrative Restructuring Plan.

Resolution No. 2011-26 adopting Job Descriptions and Salary Ranges for: Director of Engineering Services/City Engineer; Director of Public Works/Assistant City Engineer; Planning, Building and Housing Manager and Redevelopment/Economic Development Manager.

Resolution No. 2011-27 approving and ratifying the appointment of certain employees to Department Head positions and approving their respective Employment Agreements.

Acting City Manager/Chief of Police/Director of Public Safety Art de Werk, addressed Council stating that since his appointment in December 2010, he has been examining the functions, services and challenges associated with each City department and division. The initial review is now complete and some changes in management staff have been identified that will help facilitate improved customer service, improved communications among key management staff and improved performance, productivity and accountability at the individual and departmental level.

The focus of the proposed administrative managerial restructuring is centered largely on the public works, engineering, planning, building and housing functions of the City.

It has become apparent that the City's public works functions require an increased amount of management supervision and direction than is presently being provided. Staff is proposing that two new director positions be created: (1) a Director of Engineering Services/City Engineer and (2) a Director of Public Works/Assistant City Engineer. The formal separation of the engineering and public works functions will re-focus managerial responsibilities to these defined City functions and promote increased accountability and productivity regarding the provisions of City services.

In addition, Mr. Westbrook's responsibilities have been expanded to include the management of the City's housing functions as Planning, Building and Housing Manager. Mr. Briggs, Redevelopment and Economic Development Manager will no longer be responsible for housing and will focus on only redevelopment and economic development matters.

- Joe Hollstein, resident and former employee, spoke regarding the proposed split of the Engineering and Public Works Departments. Mr. Hollstein expressed concerns that the proposed management model does not work as well as the Public Works Director/Deputy Public Works Director model. Mr. Hollstein stated that it was put in place once before and eventually led to inefficiencies in the departments.

Council expressed their confidence in Acting City Manager de Werk and Deputy City Manager Cumberland and is in support of their recommended management restructuring.

MOTION: Approve Resolutions No. 2011-25, 2011-26 and 2011-27 as recommended by staff.

MOVED: Moved by Ochoa/seconded by Durossette

VOTE: **Motion passed with Vice Mayor Lane excused. (3/0)**

7:25 p.m. Mayor Vierra adjourned the City Council Meeting to a meeting of the Redevelopment Agency.

7:27 p.m. Mayor Vierra reconvened the City Council Meeting.

COUNCILMEMBER REFERRALS – None.

REPORTS

Staff reported that approximately 65 speakers commented at the February 21, 2011, Planning Commission Meeting during the Public Hearing set for the Super Walmart Project. The testimony took approximately five hours. The item has been continued to April 4, 2011.

ADJOURNMENT The next regularly scheduled City Council Meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday, March 14, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 2701 Fourth Street

7:33 p.m. There being no further business, Mayor Vierra adjourned the meeting.

Chris Vierra, Mayor

Cindy Heidorn, CMC, City Clerk