

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

November 12, 2013

Mayor Vierra called the November 12, 2013 City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following in attendance:

ROLL CALL Council Members Durossette, Ingwerson, Kline, Lane, Mayor Vierra

INVOCATION by Mr. Leonard Shepherd

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the flag led by Mayor Vierra

PRESENTATIONS

- A. Proclamation Recognizing the Religious and Historical Significance of the Festival of Diwali.
Mr. Nirvail Singh accepted the proclamation and thanked Council for their recognition.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of the regular meetings of October 14 and October 28, 2013. (All Present)

ACTION: It was moved by Lane/Seconded by Ingwerson to approve the minutes of the regular City Council Meetings of October 14 and October 28, 2013. **Motion Carried Unanimously. (5/0)**

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

- Len Shepherd, resident, spoke about the importance of fireplace safety.
- Dave Pratt, resident, spoke about the possibility of an adopt a roadway program.

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

ACTION: It was moved by Ingwerson/Seconded by Durossette to approve the agenda as posted and certification of posting. **Motion Carried Unanimously. (5/0)**

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS/COMMISSIONS – None.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION – None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Register of Audited Demands for period covering October 23 – 31, 2013.
2. **Resolution No. 2013-103** authorizing Workers' Compensation Coverage for Volunteers in Code Enforcement (V.I.C.E). **PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.**

3. **Resolution No. 2013-104** awarding the Construction Contract for the Sequoia Tract (Hollister/Darrah) Water Main Project to Mozingo Construction, Inc., authorizing a 10% contingency, authorizing the Acting City Manager to Execute the Contract and approving a budget amendment.
4. **Resolution No. 2013-105** approving the Claim of the City of Ceres to the Stanislaus Council of Governments for Non-Transit Funds and authorizing the City Engineer to sign and submit said Claim on behalf of the City of Ceres.
5. **Resolution No. 2013-106** approving an amendment to the Agreement for Retainer Consulting Services with O'Dell Engineering, GDR Engineering, Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group and Interwest Consulting Group and authorizing the Acting City Manager to execute the Amendments. **PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.**

ACTION: It was moved by Ingwerson/Seconded by Kline to approve Consent Calendar Items 1, 3 and 4 as recommended by staff. **Motion Carried Unanimously. (5/0)**

CONSIDERATION OF ITEM(S) REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

2. **Resolution No. 2013-103** authorizing Workers' Compensation Coverage for Volunteers in Code Enforcement (V.I.C.E.)

Item pulled by Len Shepherd who asked how many participants the program would have. Staff responded that there would be a minimum of five participants but it has the potential of being larger.

ACTION: It was moved by Ingwerson/Seconded by Durossette to approve **Resolution No. 2013-103** authorizing Workers' Compensation Coverage for Volunteers in Code Enforcement (V.I.C.E.). **Motion Carried Unanimously. (5/0)**

5. **Resolution No. 2013-106** approving an amendment to the Agreement for Retainer Consulting Services with O'Dell Engineering, GDR Engineering, Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group and Interwest Consulting Group and authorizing the Acting City Manager to execute the Amendments.

Pulled by Councilmember Kline who questioned why we just don't hire Staff to do this work. Toby Wells, Deputy City Manager/City Engineer, responded that staff is not qualified for Project Management. Councilmember Kline also stated that he would like to see a cap put in place. Mr. Wells responded that an accountability report for the vendors and projects will be included with the next quarterly report to Council.

ACTION: It was moved by Ingwerson/Seconded by Lane to approve **Resolution No. 2013-106** approving an amendment to the Agreement for Retainer Consulting Services with O'Dell Engineering, GDR Engineering, Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group and Interwest Consulting Group and authorizing the Acting City Manager to execute the Amendments. **Motion Carried Unanimously. (5/0)**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

PUBLIC HEARING – None.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

COUNCILMEMBER REFERRALS – None.

REPORTS

Council and Staff reported on recent and upcoming activities including the recent successful re-election of Councilmember Ken Lane and the successful election of Councilmember-elect Linda Ryno. Staff also gave an update of the ongoing PG & E Project on Whitmore Avenue.

CLOSED SESSION – None.

7:43 p.m. There being no further business, Mayor Vierra adjourned the City Council Meeting.

Chris Vierra, Mayor

Cindy Heidorn, CMC, City Clerk