

## **MINUTES**

### **CITY OF DELANO CITY COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING September 19, 2016**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro Tem Hill called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 1015 – 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

#### **INVOCATION**

Mr. Dowling offered the invocation.

#### **FLAG SALUTE**

Chief of Police DeRosia led the flag salute.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Council members present: Ruben Hill, Liz Morris, Rueben Pascual, Grace Vallejo  
Council members absent: Ricardo Chavez

#### **OFFICIALS PRESENT**

City Engineer Dowling, City Attorney Garcia, City Clerk Kraft, Finance Director Rios, Police Chief DeRosia, Human Resources Director Zamudio

#### **PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS**

No items

#### **ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Roberto Ibarra stated: that local candidates have not said anything about their campaign agenda; council should rescind the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> enterprise rate increases

Lupe Martinez stated: it is interesting to see where we are with our enterprises; Measure I was supposed to help; the city had a water rate increase in 2009 and 5 more in 2012 because of arsenic; the economy is struggling; it had been mentioned that Measure I would pay the debt; there was a collection of 5,000 signatures against the rate increase; council needs to hear what the community says; council should rescind the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> enterprise rate increases

Steve Kinsey stated: generally, all council are doing a good job for the city; the rendition for the Jefferson center in the request for bids shows it is very palatial and does not fit Delano; money could be better spent on seniors and their needs; the center should have a full kitchen; he has spoken with contractors who say this is over spent and expensive

Richard Markham thanked Councilman Hill for bringing up the issue of black people at the last meeting. He stated: the country is going to martial law; police have been called out for loud music; he was set-up by Housing Authority; the city still needs bike lanes; the city needs to start working on west side

no name (spoke in Spanish) stated: about 6 people in his house will vote; they want to know what candidates have to offer; they want council to rescind the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> water rate increases

Pastor David Vivas announced a town hall meeting will be held on Saturday, September 24, in the conference room at DRMC regarding youth and their use of illegal drugs. Many adults have come to him requesting help. He is appreciative of people who help youth and their families and want to do something to offer solutions. He stated that he wants to have monthly meetings and invited council to attend.

Gloria Herrera stated: it is getting close to the elections; if council members want to be re-elected, voters need them to represent people in good faith; council needs to rescind the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> enterprise rate increases; too much money was spent on the design for the Jefferson center; the design does not fit Delano; hope it will have kitchen

Wilma LaRue stated: she cannot drink the water here; she bought a new car for \$30,000 – how much of that goes to the 1% of Measure I; Delano is richer than Bakersfield; she does not have enough money to buy bottled water; why not use Measure I for water; she received a report from the city that our water did not pass regulations

Sylvester (spoke in Spanish) stated: council should make an offer to the citizens so they can vote for them; council should rescind the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> enterprise rate increases; city parks close at 10:00 pm but school gates are open all night; his daughter told him there was an agreement between schools and police to leave the school gates open

Maria Ceja stated: council should rescind the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> enterprise rate increases; have part of the 1% sales tax go to it; the registration fee for kid's recreation programs is \$30; use part of sales tax for recreation; when the city worked with the schools, recreation programs were cheaper; the city needs to collaborate with schools again

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1) Authorization to waive the reading of any ordinance or resolution in its entirety and consenting to the reading of such ordinances or resolutions by title only
- 2) Warrant Register in the amount of \$2,934,682.21
- 3) Minutes of regular City Council meeting of September 6, 2016; special meeting of September 2, 2016
- 4) Minutes of special Planning Commission meeting of August 24, 2016
- 5) Approval of request from Delano Union School District for City to sponsor parade permit for annual Kiddie Parade in the amount of \$1,350

Moved by Councilwoman Vallejo, seconded by Councilman Pascual, and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- 6) Public Hearing #2016-17: Resolution approving the 2015-2016 CDBG Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), and authorizing the city manager

to execute all documents required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Mr. Dowling presented the staff report.

Mayor Pro Tem Hill asked for public comments.

Richard Markham stated that HUD has headquarters in San Francisco and they all lie and cheat.

Mayor Pro Tem Hill closed the public hearing.

Moved by Councilman Pascual, seconded by Councilwoman Vallejo and unanimously carried by all those present to adopt Resolution No. 2016-63 approving the 2015/2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report, and authorizing the city manager to execute all documents required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

- 7) Public Hearing #2016-18: Resolution declaring the results of the assessment ballot tabulation, approving the Engineer's Report, forming Maintenance District No. 22 (Tracts 6326 & 6327), ordering maintenance work therein, confirming the diagram and assessment and providing for the levy of an annual assessment therein

Mr. Dowling presented the staff report.

Mayor Pro Tem Hill asked for public comments.

Lupe Martinez asked if this has anything to do with the \$566,000 that was awarded to the developer at the last meeting. He was informed that this is a different developer and project and has nothing to do with the \$566,000.

Mayor Pro Tem Hill closed the public hearing.

Moved by Councilwoman Vallejo, seconded by Councilman Pascual and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution No. 2016-64 declaring the results of the assessment ballot tabulation, approving the engineer's report, forming Maintenance District No. 22 (Tracts 6326 & 6327), ordering maintenance work therein, confirming the diagram and assessment and providing for the levy of an annual assessment therein.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

No items

#### **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

- 8) At request of Mayor, report on possibility of train station location in the City of Delano

Councilwoman Vallejo noted Mayor Chavez had requested this report and asked that it be presented at a later meeting when he is present. The item was tabled.

#### **COUNCIL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS**

Councilman Pascual no items

Councilwoman Morris stated that the last report on the city's water came out well and she is not afraid to drink it. She noted the city is working on a few wells to have them repaired and that takes money. She

stated recreation gets funding through Measure I. If the extension does not pass, there will be cuts to many programs. We need to extend the measure to fund some of the projects we want done. She noted that this is not an increase in sales tax, it is just a continuation of the current sales tax rate.

Councilwoman Vallejo asked council to support direction to staff to purchase city items locally.

Councilman Hill no items

Mayor Chavez absent

### **CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Councilwoman Vallejo, seconded by Councilman Pascual, and unanimously carried that the City Council adjourn to Closed Session at 6:22 p.m. The City Clerk was excused. Mayor Pro Tem Hill was appointed Acting City Clerk. The City Attorney and City Engineer were asked to remain.

- 9) Conference with legal counsel; settlement authority for worker comp case: Mario Martinez; govt. code section 54956.95

### **RETURN TO GENERAL SESSION**

Moved by Councilman Pascual, seconded by Councilwoman Vallejo and unanimously carried to reconvene in Open Session at 6:34 p.m. Mr. Garcia provided a report on closed session as follows:

- 9) Information was provided and by unanimous consent of all those present, direction was given.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved, seconded and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

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Phyllis A. Kraft, City Clerk