



AGENDA

Special City Council Meeting

Council Chambers, Chowchilla City Hall - 130 S. Second Street,
Chowchilla, CA 93610

**Friday, February 7, 2020 – 5:00 p.m. (Closed
Session to Begin at 4:30 p.m.)**

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CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Mayor: Waseem Ahmed

Mayor Pro Tem: Diana Palmer

Council Members: Ray Barragan, John Chavez, Dennis Haworth

City staff and contract employees present at the meeting will be noted in the minutes

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions and/or Deletions:

PUBLIC ADDRESS – CLOSED SESSION

This time is reserved for members of the audience to address the City Council on items listed on the closed session agenda only. It is recommended that speakers limit their comments to no more than 3 minutes each. Speakers are asked to please use the microphone and provide their name for the record. Any handouts should be provided to the City Clerk who will distribute them to the Council and appropriate staff.

CLOSED SESSION – 4:30 PM

This time has been set aside for the City Council to meet in a closed session to discuss matters pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2), (d)(3) and (d)(4). Based on the advice of the City Attorney, discussion in open session would prejudice the position of the City in these matters. The City Attorney will provide a report, in open session, which details any reportable actions following conclusion of the closed session agenda.

1. Government Code Section 54956.9

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9

Number of Cases: One

- 2. Government Code Section 54956.9
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Section
54956.9 (Deciding Whether to Initiate Litigation)
Number of Cases: One**

OPEN SESSION – 5:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CLOSED SESSION REPORT:

NEW BUSINESS - Section 1

- 1.1 Discussion/Direction Regarding Jet Boat Races at the Berenda Reservoir;
Consideration and Approval of Conceptual Proposal Between the National Jet Boat
Association and the City of Chowchilla (Pruett)**

ADJOURNMENT

I, Joann McClendon, CMC, City Clerk, do hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing agenda was posted at Chowchilla City Hall, 130 S Second Street, Chowchilla, CA and made available for public review on this 6th day of February, 2020 at or before 4:00 p.m.

Joann McClendon, CMC, City Clerk



REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Special Meeting of: February 7, 2020

AGENDA SECTION: New Business

SUBJECT: Discussion/Direction Regarding Jet Boat Races at the Berenda Reservoir; Consideration and Approval of Conceptual Proposal Between the National Jet Boat Association and the City of Chowchilla.

PREPARED BY: Rod Pruett, City Administrator

ATTACHMENTS: Proposal

REVIEWED BY ADMINISTRATOR

REVIEWED BY ATTORNEY

REVIEWED BY FINANCE

RECOMMENDATION:

Discussion and Direction regarding having a jet boat race at the Berenda Reservoir; Consider and Approve the conceptual proposal between the National Jet Boat Association (NJBA) and the City of Chowchilla (City).

BACKGROUND:

The Berenda Reservoir used to host jet boat races in the past. There have been many factors over the years that have contributed to why the boat races have not been brought back, including but not limited to, the recession, droughts, organizations mutually agreeing...etc. These events were very popular and had a positive impact on the community.

On December 13, 2019, City staff, County staff, Water District representatives, Council Member Palmer and Supervisor Rogers met with representatives of the National Jet Boat Association (NJBA) at the Berenda Reservoir to discuss the potential of having jet boat races again.

There was discussion of trying to have a race for Memorial Day weekend 2020. Many of the logistics were discussed and still need to be figured out. These include parking, shuttles, weather, policing...etc.

We have had multiple Ad Hoc committee meetings in recent weeks to try and get an agreement in place. Attached is the final proposal from NJBA for a race this year. They have to post their events for the year by February 7, 2020. If we can't come to terms at this meeting we will work towards having an event next year.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:

Continued discussion and direction regarding the jet boat race proposal; consideration and approval of conceptual proposal.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The exact impacts are not known at this time. There has been talk between the City, County and Water District to collectively use resources to help with this event. A final agreement would be entered into with NJBA that would lay out the details of the percentage split of revenues from the event along with all of the contract terms. This final agreement would be brought back to Council for consideration and approval at a future Council Meeting.

One of our biggest estimated costs would be in staff time. There would be anticipated increase in Transient Occupation Tax and sales tax revenue associated with lodging race participants as well as revenues from the event itself.

ALTERNATIVES:

Not to approve moving forward with the event this year.

Revised Edition 2/4/2020 Final Contract for 2020 race season

National Jet Boat Association Contract

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Contract date 2 /4/2020 (expires in 5 days)

Event Date: May 23-24, 2020 (Memorial Day Weekend)

Event Agreement: Between the NJBA and City of Chowchilla

Event Summary: Set up track/ Facility on May 21, 22. Race Event on May 23-24. Break down and clean up on May 24-25.

NJBA Responsibilities:

Provide on water activities as follows.

All necessary staff to execute the racing event on the water.

Provide tower staff, Track set up staff, Starting barge staff, back gate staff and racers registration staff.

Provide all racer ticketing and or arm bands, pit parking and pit RV's

Provide timing system set up with staff (Course set up)

Provide GPS surveying of course

Provide Timing IT Specialist

Provide Time Slip Staff

Provide Race Event Director

Provide Technical Inspectors for all boats participating

Provide Safety and Rescue Team with certified divers

Provide Jet Ski Staff / Tow Boat Staff (Towing on course)

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Provide Racing Insurance (see policy provided to City of Chowchilla) naming the City of Chowchilla as additional

Provide Safety and Rescue boats with complete recovery system and Fire safety system for on the water fire suppression.

Provide Racing Announcers for event on May 23-24

Provide Sound System for Event/ Announcer

Provide Pit set up staff and pit parking (Back gate)

Provide all temporary barricading on Fire lanes, Walkways and waterline. (this excludes permanent fencing at location)

Provide all In and Out Ramp Staff

Provide One food Vendor (Rex Childers) for event

City of Chowchilla

Provide Berenda Reservoir Venue to execute NJBA race. (No Fees)

Provide restrooms, port a potty service with daily services (Cleaning)

Provide event insurance naming the NJBA as additional insured

Provide One Food vendor of choice

Provide Garbage, recycling, and oil disposal for entire event.

Provide Parking location

Details between the NJBA and the City of Chowchilla

1 - Front Gate Moneys collected (spectators and spectators RV sites)

100 % NJBA

2 - Back Gate, Racers entry fees, New NJBA membership, Vehicle pit passes

100 % NJBA

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3 - All advertising funds 100% NJBA

4 - Concessions for one vendor of choice

100% City of Chowchilla

5 - Beer and wine garden

100% NJBA with a \$100 per keg fee paid back to the City of Chowchilla.

6- Parking 100% City of Chowchilla

In - Kind Services.

The NJBA will provide professional, qualified, and trained people to perform the following services at reservoir location.

Bush and tree removal as needed, clearing walk path and fire lanes for event locations and parking locations

Lawn cutting and tree trimming

Excavation at event location where needed

The NJBA is willing and able to provide manpower, voluntary by its members to enable the facility to operate for racing use. The NJBA is willing to negotiate an exclusive agreement for a two-week window per calendar year for two weekends per Calendar year, one on Memorial Day weekend and one during the month of September or October, Pending on water dept and availability of water, TBD. This would be an exclusive agreement between the NJBA and the City of Chowchilla / Water district for rights and refusal of these two established weekend events. The NJBA has showed good faith effort to work with the entire City of Chowchilla community and will continue to do so in the future by utilizing ALL local service clubs that are willing and able to work successfully with unity. The City Of Chowchilla and its entire community will benefit from same day tourism as well as overnight tourism, boosting the economy in most local businesses throughout the entire county.

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Note:

The NJBA recognizes the City Chowchilla on this contract. Any sub-contractors, groups or clubs subcontracted to perform for this event, By the City of Chowchilla will negotiate with the City of Chowchilla ONLY.

Because of time constraints, note the 5-day timeline on this contract, we have to have our schedule out by February 7, 2020. If we can't come to an agreement, we will have to entertain the season of 2021

Please Sign and Date

NJBA - Mike DeClark

NJBA - Joe Shelfo

Mayor of the City of Chowchilla- Waseem Ahmed

City of Chowchilla- Rod Pruett