



**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**JOINT CHOWCHILLA CITY COUNCIL /**  
**★ REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

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

**July 14, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL:**

Mayor/Chairman: John Chavez  
Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair: Waseem Ahmed  
Council/Board Member: Dennis Haworth  
Absent: Mary Guamnitz, Richard Walker

**City staff and contract employees present:** City Administrator Brian Haddix, Interim Police Chief Dave Riviere, Fire Chief Harry Turner, City Attorney Laura Crane, Engineer/Public Works Director Craig Locke, Finance Director Rod Pruett, Planner Richard Perkins, Community Relations Manager Marty Piepenbrok, and Interim City Clerk Joann McClendon.

**PUBLIC ADDRESS – CLOSED SESSION**

None.

**CLOSED SESSION – 6:00 PM**

**1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

**Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9**

Number of potential cases: 16

**OPEN SESSION – 7:02 PM**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Council Member Chavez

**INVOCATION:** Mr. Alfred Hansen

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT:** No reportable action.

**CEREMONIAL / PRESENTATIONS – Section 1**

**1.1 Acknowledgement of Community Events Donations:**

- ~ Chowchilla Lioness-Lions Club
- ~ Chowchilla Insurance Agency
- ~ Cota Cole, LLP Law Firm
- ~ Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce
- ~ Loyalty Pharmacy
- ~ Chowchilla Rotary Club

~ *Dan and Jacki Flanagan*

## 1.2 Caltrans Presentation - Highway 99/233 Interchange

### WORKSHOPS

#### Discussion Regarding Transit Services

Community Relations Manager Piepenbrok provided handouts, provided a brief history of the City's transit services.

### PUBLIC ADDRESS

Vern Moss commented on the previous presentation regarding the Highway 99/233 Interchange.

The Lions Club representative Paula Hansen presented a donation of \$23,094.46 to the Chowchilla Police Department for the K9 program.

Joann Barksdale reported on the mess in the gutters and the untrimmed palm trees on Robertson Blvd.

### COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS – Section 2

#### 2.1 COUNCIL REPORTS

Legislative Items  
Oral / Written Reports

Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed visited the Industrial and Downtown Areas with City Administrator Haddix

Council Member Haworth reported that through the California Disaster Assistance Act, counties are helping residents whose well has dried. The Community Action Partnership and the Sheriff's Department of Madera County is facilitating the program. The program provides cases of bottled water to residents and can deliver water to a water tank. There is also a program for renters whose landlord cannot afford to repair or drill a deeper well to access the water table. Contact the Madera County Office of Community and Economic Development or Madera County Sheriff's Department for assistance.

Mayor Chavez attended a League of California Cities conference in June. Water is the major topic. He also attended the second Music in the Park event, thanking Community Relations Manager Piepenbrok for his efforts.

#### 2.2 COLLABORATIVE AGENCY COMMITTEE UPDATES

Oral / Written Reports

#### 2.3 STAFF REPORTS

Written/Oral Reports

City Administrator Haddix met with the superintendents of the Chowchilla Elementary School District and Chowchilla Union High School. He participated in the Central Valley California City Managers meeting, touching on many key issues affecting our valley such as medical marijuana dispensaries, the Redevelopment Agency dissolution, and water, among other topics. He attended a Madera County Transportation Commission meeting with Engineer/Public Works Director Locke; he walked the Downtown area with the police chief; met with a variety of land

developers and attended the concert in the park. He also spoke at the Fresno's Downtown Rotary meeting.

Community Relations Manager Piepenbrok reported that the first movie to be shown at Veteran's Park on Friday, July 17 is the original Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory. He asked council to move the Alligator Festival to 2016, allowing more time to plan a successful event. He presented alternative ideas, Tons 'O Trucks and a Fall Great Yard Sale. Both will be free events.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR – Section 3**

#### **3.1 Approval of the June 23, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes (McClendon)**

#### **3.2 Approval of General Payments and Payroll for the Month of June 2015 (Pruett)**

#### **3.3 Consideration of Monthly Financial Reports (Pruett)**

Motion by Council Member Haworth, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS – Section 4**

#### **4.1 Council Resolution # 46-15, Amending Conditions of Approval of Subdivision Map No. 04-0028, Greenhills Subdivision Village East Recreational Vehicle Park (Perkins)**

Spoke:  
Martin Boone

Motion by Council Member Haworth, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed to approve **Council Resolution # 46-15**, Amending Conditions of Approval of Subdivision Map No. 04-0028, Greenhills Subdivision Village East Recreational Vehicle Park with with Correction to Typographical Error in Original Resolution Regarding Numbering of the Conditions. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

#### **4.2 Intention to Levy and Collect 2012-13 Annual Assessment on the Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District (Locke)**

Motion by Council Member Haworth, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed to affirm the Levy and Collection of the 2012/2013 Annual Assessment on the Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

### **DEFERRED BUSINESS – Section 5**

#### **5.1 Second Reading, Ordinance #474-15 of the City Council of the City of Chowchilla Adding Section 15.50 to the Chowchilla Municipal Code Relating to Expedited Permitting Procedures for Small Residential Rooftop Solar Systems (City Attorney)**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed, seconded by Council Member Haworth to approve **Ordinance #474-15** of the City Council of the City of Chowchilla Adding Section 15.50 to the Chowchilla Municipal Code Relating to Expedited Permitting Procedures for Small Residential Rooftop Solar Systems. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

Emergency Funds to Purchase and Install a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) System. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

**6.7 Council Resolution # 51-15, Authorizing the Acceptance of Funding from the Community Corrections Partnership to Fund the Hiring of an Additional Police Officer (Riviere)**

Spoke: Joann Barksdale

Motion by Council Member Haworth, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed to approve **Council Resolution # 51-15**, Authorizing the Acceptance of Funding from the Community Corrections Partnership to Fund the Hiring of an Additional Police Officer. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

**6.8 Council Resolution # 52-15, Approving an Agreement for Special Services with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore for Central Valley Employment Relations Consortium Services (Haddix)**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed, seconded by Council Member Haworth to approve **Council Resolution # 52-15**, Approving an Agreement for Special Services with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore for Central Valley Employment Relations Consortium Services. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

**6.9 Consideration of Affirmation of a Claim Submitted by Ameriprise Auto & Home Insurance on behalf of Joseph Roman (Haddix)**

Motion by Council Member Haworth, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem to Affirm the Claim Submitted by Ameriprise Auto & Home Insurance on behalf of Joseph Roman. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

**6.10 Council Resolution # 53-15, Designating Those Officers Having the Authority to Approve Transactions, including Deposits and Withdrawals, to Tri Counties Accounts on Behalf of the City (Pruett)**

Spoke: Joann Barksdale

Motion by Council Member Haworth, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed to approve **Council Resolution # 53-15**, Designating Those Officers Having the Authority to Approve Transactions, including Deposits and Withdrawals, to Tri Counties Accounts on Behalf of the City. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

**6.11 Council Resolution # 54-15, Authorizing the Investment of Monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund and Designating Officers with the Authority to Make Deposits and Withdrawals (Pruett)**

Motion by Council Member Haworth, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed to approve **Council Resolution # 54-15**, Authorizing the Investment of Monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund and Designating Officers with the Authority to Make Deposits and Withdrawals. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

★ **6.12 Agency Resolution # 03-15, Designating Those Officers Having the Authority to Approve Transactions, including Deposits and Withdrawals, to Tri Counties Accounts on Behalf of the Successor Agency of the Chowchilla Redevelopment Agency (Pruett)**

Motion by Board Co-Chair Ahmed, seconded by Board Member Haworth to approve **Agency Resolution # 03-15**, Designating Those Officers Having the Authority to Approve Transactions, including Deposits and Withdrawals, to Tri Counties Accounts on Behalf of the Successor Agency of the Chowchilla Redevelopment Agency. Motion passed unanimously with Board Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

**6.13 Council Resolution # 55-15, Approving a Master Agreement between the Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC) and the City of Chowchilla for the Fiscal Year 2014/2015 allocation of RSTP Exchange Funding (Dueker/Pruett)**

Motion by Council Member Haworth, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed to approve **Council Resolution # 55-15**, Approving a Master Agreement between the Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC) and the City of Chowchilla for the Fiscal Year 2014/2015 allocation of RSTP Exchange Funding. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

**6.14 Council Resolution # 56-15, Approving the Fiscal Year 15/16 Transit Agreement with the County of Madera for Chowchilla Area Transit Express (CATX) to Provide Service to Portions of the County Around Chowchilla (Piepenbrok)**

Motion by Council Member Haworth, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed to approve **Council Resolution # 56-15**, Approving the Fiscal Year 15/16 Transit Agreement with the County of Madera for Chowchilla Area Transit Express (CATX) to Provide Service to Portions of the County Around Chowchilla. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

**6.15 Council Resolution # 57-15, Approving a Month-to-Month Extension of the Existing Agreement with the Merced Transportation Company to Provide Transit Services Through the CATX and CatLinx Systems (Piepenbrok)**

Motion by Council Member Haworth, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed to approve **Council Resolution # 57-15**, Approving a Month-to-Month Extension of the Existing Agreement with the Merced Transportation Company to Provide Transit Services Through the CATX and CatLinx Systems. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

**6.16 Consideration of Reinstating the Position of Community & Economic Development Director (Haddix)**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed, seconded by Council Member Haworth to Bring Back Additional Information Regarding Reinstating the Position of Community and Economic Development Director to the August 11, 2015 Council Meeting. Motion passed unanimously with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker Absent.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS – Section 7**

- JUL 14 Chamber of Commerce's Annual State of the City Address, Farnesis, 11:30AM
- JUL 15 Planning Commission Meeting, City Hall, 7PM
- JUL 16 Sizzlin' Summer Nights Music in the Park Concert, Veterans Memorial Park, 7PM
- JUL 17 Starry Summer Nights Cinema Movie in the Park, Veterans Memorial Park, Sunset
- JUL 23 Sizzlin' Summer Nights Music in the Park Concert, Veterans Memorial Park, 7PM
- JUL 24 City Hall Closed

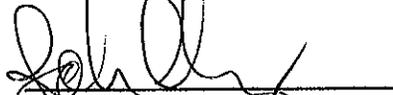
**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed seconded by Council Member Haworth to adjourn the July 14, 2015 Regular Joint City Council / Redevelopment Successor Agency Meeting at 9:45 p.m. Motion passed by voice vote with Council Members Gaumnitz and Walker absent.

ATTEST:

  
Joann McClendon  
Interim City Clerk

APPROVED:

  
John Chavez  
Mayor