



MEETING MINUTES
CHOWCHILLA CITY COUNCIL

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

April 25, 2017
6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: 6:26

Mayor: Mary Gaumnitz

Mayor Pro Tem: Dennis Haworth

Council: Waseem Ahmed, Ray Barragan, John Chavez

City staff and contract employees present: City Administrator Brian Haddix, City Attorney David Ritchie, Lieutenant Jeffrey Palmer, Fire Chief Harry Turner, Finance Director Rod Pruett, Public Works Director Jason Rogers, Public Relations Manager Marty Piepenbrok, City Clerk Joann McClendon

PUBLIC ADDRESS – CLOSED SESSION

No one present.

CLOSED SESSION – 6:27 PM

Closed Session Item #2 was removed from the calendar and was not discussed.

- 1. Anticipated Litigation, Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2)**
Number of Cases: 2
- 2. Public Employee Evaluation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)**
Titles: All Employees

OPEN SESSION – 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Fire Chief Turner

INVOCATION: Mr. Dustin Smith

CLOSED SESSION REPORT: No reportable action.

CEREMONIAL / PRESENTATIONS – Section 1

- 1.1 Proclamation – National Police Officer Memorial Week

PUBLIC ADDRESS

Glenna Jarvis, spoke asking the council to consider placing a quarter- or half-cent special tax to help boost the city's police department. She also suggested a quarterly community meeting regarding public safety issues. The Mayor directed staff to explore the idea; Ms. Jarvis offered her assistance.

Jack Boyett, presented concerns over big rigs with trailers parking at Palm Parkway and Robertson Boulevard up to the fog line obstructing drivers' views.

Andrea Grier expressed her support for a special tax to help law enforcement.

Sandra Caracciolo, addressed the council regarding the Animal Shelter.

Dustin Smith addressed the council, expressing his support for a special sales tax to support the local police department.

COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS – Section 2**2.1 COUNCIL REPORTS**

Legislative Items

Oral / Written Reports

Council Member Barragan and Chavez attended the Cal Prime ribbon cutting and grand opening; he also attended the Chowchilla Fair Fundraising dinner.

Mayor Pro Tem Haworth attended his son Dillon's Eagle Scout project; a flag retiring ceremony at the Chowchilla District Cemetery. He led a tour through City Hall with his Leadership class.

Mayor Gaumnitz also attended the Chowchilla Fair Fundraising dinner, as did Council Member Chavez and City Administrator Haddix and Dillon Haworth's flag retiring ceremony.

Council Member Ahmed attended a community member meeting regarding the National Day of Prayer.

Council Member Chavez attended the League of California Cities Legislative Action Days in Sacramento.

2.2 STAFF REPORTS

Written/Oral Reports

City Administrator Haddix attended the following: a Bond Rating call with the Finance Director and Public Works Director; lunch with Merced City Manager Steve Carrigan and Project Analyst Celeste Gray; a Greenhills Master Homeowners Association meeting; West Side developers meeting.

Community Relations Manager Piepenbrok announced the Sons of the American Legion drive through lunch at American Legion Hall on May 6 and the Chowchilla-Madera Fair May 18-21.

Rogers: listen. Ahmed/listen

Finance Director Pruet is busy working on current and future bonds and the budget.

Fire Chief Turner reported on a fire last Thursday with fatalities.

Police Lieutenant Palmer presented council a letter of support provided by the City of Mendota via Townsend Public Affairs requesting US Senator Kamala Harris to include language in the Fiscal Year 2018 Commerce, Justice and Science Appropriations bill or committee report to prioritize funding available through existing Bureau of Justice Assistance programs to help rural communities address gang violence. Lieutenant Palmer also gave a report of a resident who offered assistance to the Police Officers who entered last week's fiery home.

CONSENT CALENDAR – Section 3

- 3.1 Approval of the April 11, 2017 City Council/PFA Meeting Minutes (McClendon)**
- 3.2 Review of Monthly Financial Statements (Pruett)**
- 3.3 Approval of Aerial Fireworks Display at the Chowchilla Fairgrounds and Authorizing the Fire Chief to Approve Necessary Documents for Event (Turner)**
- 3.4 Waiver of Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance #481-17 of the City of Chowchilla, Amending the Chowchilla Municipal Code Title 18 to Amend the C-3 Zoning District to Include “Medical Office Facilities and Urgent Care Facilities” as a Permitted Use (Planning Project #17-0003) (Perea)**
- 3.5 Waiver of Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance #482-17 of the City of Chowchilla Amending Portions of Title 18 of the Municipal Code (Zoning Ordinance) Related to Necessary Changes to be in Compliance with State Housing Element Laws and Policies (Planning Project #17-0004) (Perea)**
- 3.6 Authorizing the City Administrator or Designee to Apply for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 Grant for the Purchase of a Replacement Bus (McClendon)**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Haworth, Seconded by Council Member Barragan to Approve the Consent Calendar as Presented. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Section 4

- 4.1 Council Resolution #40-17, Approving the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Solar Project (Perea)**

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing at 7:55PM.

No one forward for or against the item.

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 7:57PM.

Motion by Council Member Barragan, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Haworth to Approve Council Resolution #40-17, Approving the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Solar Project. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 4.2 Council Resolution #41-17, Defining Geographic Focus and Approval for Code Enforcement Activities Under the City's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program (Pruett)**

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing at 7:57PM.

No one forward for or against the item.

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 7:59PM.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Haworth, Seconded by Council Member Ahmed to Approve Council Resolution #41-17, Defining Geographic Focus and Approval for Code Enforcement Activities Under the City's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

DEFERRED BUSINESS – Section 5

NEW BUSINESS – Section 6

6.1 Council Resolution #42-17 Authorizing the Advertisement for a Request for Qualifications for On-Call Airport Engineering and Planning Consultant Services (Rogers)

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Haworth, Seconded by Council Member Barragan to Approve Council Resolution #42-17, Authorizing the Advertisement for a Request for Qualifications for On-Call Airport Engineering and Planning Consultant Services. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

6.2 Update Regarding the Community Electronic Informational Signage (CEIS) (Haddix)

Council Directed Staff to bring examples of other similar signs CEIS created, return with additional renderings and add areas where service club markers can be placed.

6.3 Council Resolution #43-17, Budgeting an Additional \$50,000 to Fund the Expansion of the Chowchilla Industrial Specific Plan Utilizing Part of the Vehicle Licensing Fee (VLF) Settlement Agreement Revenue (Haddix)

Motion by Council Member Barragan, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Haworth to Approve Council Resolution #43 -17, Budgeting an Additional \$50,000 to Fund the Expansion of the Chowchilla Industrial Specific Plan Utilizing Part of the Vehicle Licensing Fee (VLF) Settlement Agreement Revenue. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Section 7

APR 28	CHOWCHILLA ATHLETIC FOUNDATION GOLF OUTING FUNDRAISER, PHEASANT RUN GOLF COURSE,
MAY 6	SPRING TREASURE HUNTERS MARKET, VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK, 9AM-12NOON SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION DRIVE-THROUGH LUNCH, AMERICAN LEGION HALL, 8AM - NOON
MAY 9	SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL/PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING, CITY HALL, 5PM CITY COUNCIL MEETING, CITY HALL, 7PM
MAY 10	STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP, CITY HALL, 6PM

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Haworth Adjourn the April 25, 2017 City Council Meeting at 8:25PM. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

ATTEST:



Joann McClendon, CMC
City Clerk

APPROVED:



Mayor Mary Gaumnitz