

ACTION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2019 COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 215 E. BRANCH STREET ARROYO GRANDE, CALIFORNIA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ray Russom called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

City Council: Council Members Keith Storton, Jimmy Paulding, Lan George, Mayor Pro Tem Kristen Barneich, and Mayor Caren Ray Russom were present.

Staff Present: City Manager Jim Bergman, City Attorney Heather Whitham, Director of Legislative and Information Services/City Clerk Kelly Wetmore, Director of Public Works Bill Robeson, Police Chief Beau Pryor, Police Commander Shawn Cosgrove and Utilities Manager Shane Taylor.

3. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

4. FLAG SALUTE

Steve Wilson, representing Arroyo Grande Lions Club, led the Flag Salute.

5. AGENDA REVIEW

5.a. Closed Session Announcements.

None.

5.b. Ordinances Read in Title Only.

Mayor Pro Tem Barneich moved, Council Member Storton seconded, and the motion passed unanimously that all ordinances presented at the meeting shall be read by title only and all further readings be waived.

6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None.

7. COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. Speaking from the public was Linda Osty, who offered an invocation.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member George requested that Item 8.c. be pulled for discussion.

Mayor Ray Russom referred to Item 8.a. (Cash Disbursements) and asked about two payments to Five Cities Fire Authority (FCFA). City Manager Bergman explained that the payments are the combined quarterly payment for the City's share of fire services and that one payment is paid from the General Fund and the other payment is paid from the Local Sales Tax Fund.

Mayor Ray Russom referred to Item 8.b. (Minutes) and requested that the action in Item 11.a. (Design of a Replacement Recreation Services Building) be clarified to specify that a contingency plan shall be developed to move Recreation Services to another location if the building needs to be vacated before a replacement building is in place.

Mayor Ray Russom referred to Item 8.f. (Recreation Services Building Roof Repairs) and asked when the roof repairs are scheduled to take place. Director Robeson responded that work on the City Hall roof will begin in approximately one month and in two to three weeks for the Recreation Services building.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment on the consent agenda items. No public comments were received.

Action: Mayor Ray Russom moved, and Mayor Pro Tem Barneich seconded the motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 8.a. through 8.f., with the exception of 8.c., with the recommended courses of action. The motion passed on the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Ray Russom, Barneich, Paulding, Storton, George
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

8.a. Consideration of Cash Disbursement Ratification.

Action: Ratified the listing of cash disbursements for the period August 16, 2019 through August 31, 2019.

8.b. Consideration of Approval of Minutes.

Action: Approved the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of August 27, 2019, as amended.

8.d. Consideration to Approve an Exclusive Vendor Police Tow Service Agreement.

Action: Authorized the City Manager to execute a two-year exclusive vendor police tow service agreement with College Towing South for towing services.

8.e. Consideration of Approval of an Agreement for Uniform and Related Services with Aramark Uniform Services.

Action: Approved a 3-year Agreement with Aramark Uniform Services.

8.f. Consideration to Establish a Capital Improvement Project for Recreation Services Building Roof Repairs.

Action: Approved the transfer of \$20,000 of projected cost savings from the City Hall Roof Replacement capital improvement project to establish a new Recreation Services Building Roof Repairs capital improvement project.

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

8.c. Consideration to Purchase Body Worn Cameras for the Police Department.

Recommended Action: Approve the purchase of body worn cameras for Police Department staff funded through the awarded Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund (SLESF) Citizen's Option for Public Safety (COPS) Grant program.

In response to questions by Council Member George, Police Chief Pryor explained costs, maintenance, updates and upgrades associated with the body worn cameras, stated that the City has sufficient storage space and capacity for the additional data within its existing systems, explained data retention requirements, and explained equipment life span and replacement schedules.

Action: Council Member George moved to approve the purchase of body worn cameras for Police Department staff funded through the awarded Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund (SLESF) Citizen's Option for Public Safety (COPS) Grant program. Mayor Pro Tem Barneich seconded, and the motion passed on the following roll-call vote:

AYES: George, Barneich, Paulding, Storton, Ray Russom
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

10. OLD BUSINESS

None.

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.a. The 2018 Annual Report for the Northern Cities Management Area.

Utilities Manager Taylor presented the staff report, noted the Annual Report is available on the City's website for public review, and recommended the Council receive and file the 2018 Northern Cities Management Area annual report. Utilities Manager Taylor responded to extensive questions from Council.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

Mayor Ray Russom suggested staff schedule a closed session to brief the newer Council Members regarding the history and status of the Santa Maria Groundwater Basin adjudication.

There was no formal action taken. The 2018 Annual Report for the Northern Cities Management Area was received and filed.

11.b. Consideration of Appointment of Voting Delegates for the League of California Cities Annual Conference and Direction Regarding the Annual Conference Resolutions.

City Manager Bergman presented the staff report and recommended the Council: 1) Appoint one Council Member as the voting delegate and one Council Member as the alternate voting delegate for the League of California Cities Annual Conference; and 2) Provide direction to the delegates regarding a City position on the League of California Cities Annual Conference Resolutions.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. Speaking from the public was Patricia Price, who referred to the previous agenda item and thanked Utilities Manager Taylor for his presentation on the NCMA Annual Report and the Council for their extensive questions. No other public comments were received.

Action: Mayor Pro Tem Barneich moved to appoint Mayor Ray Russom as the voting delegate and Council Member Paulding as the alternate. Council Member Storton seconded, and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Action: Council Member Paulding moved to direct the voting delegate to vote in support of both League of California Cities Resolutions. Mayor Pro Tem Barneich seconded, and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

12. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Pro Tem Barneich wished her daughter a Happy 18th Birthday.

Mayor Ray Russom commented that having contacts in all seven jurisdictions, it has come to her attention that the City Council is vastly underpaid and there has not been a change in Council pay for at least a decade. She stated she would like to see a little more equity in Council pay given that neighboring jurisdictions with half the population are making twice as much, and requested the Council consider directing staff to bring back information at a future meeting for further discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Barneich concurred. Council Member Storton requested that information about all council compensation be provided. City Manager Bergman responded that he would pull together information from the other cities, and it was directed that this item would come back to the Council before December 1.

Mayor Ray Russom referred to a new 9/11 memorial located at the Five Cities Fire Authority station in Arroyo Grande which includes an artifact from Ground Zero and was constructed by a local Eagle Scout. She stated that the memorial was dedicated last year in remembrance of 9/11 and that in honor of 9/11 tomorrow, she encouraged members of the community to visit the memorial.

13. CLOSED SESSION

None.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Ray Russom adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m. in memory of 9/11.

/s/Caren Ray Russom, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/Kelly Wetmore, City Clerk

(Approved at CC Mtg 09-24-2019)