

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The City Council/Successor Agency of the City of Firebaugh Vol. No. 17/01-23

Location of Meeting: Andrew Firebaugh Community Center
1655 13th Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622
Date/Time: January 23, 2017/6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER Meeting called to order by Mayor Jenkins at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Brady Jenkins
Council Member Elsa Lopez
Council Member Freddy Valdez
Council Member Marcia Sablan
Council Member Felipe Perez 6:17 pm

ABSENT:

OTHERS: City Attorney Meggin Boranian; Acting City Manager/Public Works Director, Ben Gallegos; Finance Director, Pio Martin; Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano; Police Chief, Sal Raygoza; City Engineer, Mario Gouveia, Raquel Tabares & others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Council Member Valdez led pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION

Claudia Solis-Alcala– Provide a presentation and offered a proposal to manage Facebook for the City at \$20 per hour, a trail bases for 6 months, one year agreement with the City and possibly classes or training on the use of Facebook.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Laura Garcia thanked council for the support on a waiver for the use of the Community Center on January 12, 2017 to hold a fund raising event for the Firebaugh Falcon Cheerleaders to travel to Vegas to compete. Three of the four cheerleading division’s placed at the national completion. Peewee’s placed 2nd place in Cheer & Dance, Junior’s placed 2nd in Dance and the Senior’s placed 3rd in Cheer and 1st in dance.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council regular meeting on January 9, 2017.

Motion to approve minutes by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Sablan motion pass by 4-0 vote.

2. WARRANT REGISTER – Period starting December 1, and ending on December 31, 2016.

December 2016	General Warrants	#34405 - #34552	\$ 735,846.79
	Payroll Warrants	#67655 - #67754	\$ 212,395.97
TOTAL			\$ 948,242.76

Motion to approve warrants by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Sablan motion pass by 3-0 vote. Lopez – Abstain from check # 34505.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 3. **ORDINANCE NO. 16-07 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION ENTITLED "WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES" TO CHAPTER 13 OF THE FIREBAUGH MUNICIPAL CODE, TO PROVIDE UNIFORM AND COMPREHENSIVE REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS, ALONG WITH PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY – SECOND READING.** – Council Member Perez enter meeting.

Open Public Hearing at 6:29 pm – No Public Comment given - Close Public Hearing @ 6:30 pm.

Motion to accept Ord No 16-07 by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Lopez, motion pass by 5-0 vote.

- 4. **ORDINANCE NO. 17-01 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH ADDING SECTION 27-2 TO CHAPTER 27 OF THE FIREBAUGH MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO SPECIAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO STATE VIDEO SERVICE FRANCHISE HOLDERS – FIRST READING.**

Open Public Hearing at 6:30 pm – No Public Comment given - Close Public Hearing @ 6:31 pm.

Motion to waive the first reading of Ord No 17-01 by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Lopez, motion pass by 5-0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

- 5. **RESOLUTION NO. 17-01 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH, ACKNOWLEDGING AND APPROVING DISSOLUTION OF THE WESTSIDE CITIES CABLE TELEVISION AUTHORITY AND TERMINATION OF THE JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT.**

Motion to accept Resolution No 17-01 and include resolution No 15-01 approved by the Westside Cable Authority, by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Sablan, motion pass by 5-0 vote.

- 6. **RESOLUTION NO. 17-02 - RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO ROLFE CONSTRUCTION FOR WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT 15-CDBG-10568.**

Motion to accept Resolution No 17-02 by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Sablan, motion pass by 5-0 vote.

- 7. **THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REVIEW OF RESOLUTION NO 12-59 REGARDING HEALTH INSURANCE FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS.**

Attorney advised Council that they cannot have more than offered to employees on benefits. Councilmember Valdez inquired if there is a surplus in the budget, if so, benefits should be offered to Councilmembers and directed staff to contact Brookers to look in to other health coverages. Staff informed Council that leaving CalPERS Health Insurance is a negotiated item with the unions.

Informational Item only – pending mid-year review.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY

None

STAFF REPORTS

- **Police Chief, Sal Raygoza** – Nothing to report.
- **Finance Director, Pio Martin** – VNS completed Wi-Fi work at the Community Center, Senior Center and Water site. Auditor will present finished audit on February 6, City has contract with him for one more year.
- **Public Works Director, Ben Gallegos** – Will be off Wednesday, Thursday & Friday to attend a funeral out of town. Will meet with the union representatives tomorrow. Working with Architect for the Senior Center Remodel, so you may hear complaints about several holes that have been made at that location. Had a meeting with a developer interested in building an apartment complex along with Council Member Perez. The developer staff has been working with is still interested in building homes, so he is seeking land to purchase from the city. Staff has contact a company to do an appraisal at the Maldonado and Courthouse Park. One estimated cost for the appraisal in \$3500 and the other is \$500. No storm drain problems to report with all the rain. Friant Dam is releasing more water, City has sandbags if needed. Mid-Valley is placing a container at the sewer plant for green waste during the winter. Dunkle Park grandstand is being remodeled, a contractor will be on-site next week for reconstruction. February 3, 2017 at 3:00 pm will be the Ethics Training. Received complaints from residents, stating the Post Office informed them that if they can't park at the community mailboxes, they will not deliver the mail and replied the City has to correct the problem. Staff informed that is a false statement, since the city staff has painted the curbs red at the community mailboxes.
- **City Attorney, Meggin Boranian**– Update on new laws, attended a meeting with the Deputy County Council regarding the courthouse. They advised the have no problem with the city taking over and moving in to the old courthouse as long as the rental agreement with the county would remain on the same terms. They would support the city and provide a waiver of the building and agree to the City of Firebaugh taking ownership but they had landlord questions. Social Security, Ag Department and Library would remain in the current occupied buildings, rent would remain the same. Senator Canella need's an appraisal to present to Assembly Member Arambula to get support for additional money for transfer and relocation.
- **Council Member Sablan** – Stated River Lane improvements looks good, and inquired if there is an entrance to the community garden. Staff replied there is a driveway approach for entrance to the garden.
- **Council Member Jenkins** – Inquired were the proposed apartments complex will be built. Staff informed at Del Rio and Hwy 33. Spoke with Sean Ramirez of Cal Ripken baseball league about installing a portable pitching mound, so the school's Jr team could play there. Staff replied it wouldn't work because they have games at the same time and the field's dimensions are different for both. Asked Police Chief to provide an update on issued parking permits for resident that live near the school, so students don't parking in residential parking areas.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM ONLY

CLOSED SESSION

ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT - Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Valdez, second by Councilmember Sablan; motion passes by 5-0 vote at 7:32 p.m.