

## MEETING MINUTES

### The City Council/Successor Agency of the City of Firebaugh Vol. No. 16/11-07

**Location of Meeting:** Andrew Firebaugh Community Center  
1655 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622

**Date/Time:** November 7, 2016/6:00 p.m.

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

#### ROLL CALL

**PRESENT:** Mayor Freddy Valdez  
Mayor Pro Tem Brady Jenkins  
Council Member Craig Knight  
Council Member Marcia Sablan

**ABSENT:** Council Member Felipe Perez

**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; Fire Chief, John Borboa; City Engineer, Mario Gouveia & others.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Council Member Sablan led pledge of Allegiance.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT/PRESENTATION:

- *Swearing in of new Officer Tucker Carrillo-Zazueta, and Reserve Officers Ricardo Moya and Ricky Tabares. Introduced Reserve Officer Ramiro Rodriguez.*

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council regular meeting on October 17, 2016.**

*Motion to approve consent calendar with amendment change of Valdez to Jenkins for Call to Order of the Meeting by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Sablan, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

#### NEW BUSINESS

2. **ORDINANCE NO. 16-06 - AN INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH, ENACTING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF ANY PERMITS FOR NEW AND RELOCATED WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES WITHIN PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAYS, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65858 – FIRST READING.**

Eric Johnson of AT&T, request to have this agenda item pulled, until a meeting is set with city representatives to discuss legal concerns based on the Federal Communications Act and the proposed ordinance.

*Motion to table item until November 21, 2016 by Council Member Sablan, second by Council Member Knight, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

**STAFF REPORTS**

- **Police Chief Raygoza** – Reported there has been a couple of burglaries in town, the crimes were an act of the same person, he was arrested twice.
- **Fire Chief Borboa** – Fire Department has been receiving double the call volume.
- **Finance Director Pio Martin** – The refinancing of the Bond closed November 3, 2016, estimated saving is over 1 million. Albert Peche will provided a presentation to Council December 5, 2016. The Auditor should be coming to City Hall this week. Tablets were purchased but the emails need to be setup before we can issue them. There is an issue with the certificates, new software update in needed. Internet installation will take a while, VNS workload is backed up, and estimated cost is \$12,000 for equipment and installation.
- **City Engineer, Mario Gouveia** – Grant application was submitted to DWR (Department of Water Resources), City is seeking about \$550,000 in funding for a feasibility study. The proposed project is over a million dollars for flood control and river restoration, which could be to constructed and funded in sections. Firebaugh’s main concern is flooding issues at three location along the river.
- **City Attorney, Meggin Boranian**– Training will be provided to Council and Staff after the elections on prevention of sexual harassment and bullying in the work place. Working on the Personnel Policy Handbook, the goal is to have it in place before labor negotiations but with the holidays coming, it will take a few months.
- **Public Works Director, Ben Gallegos** – Streets are being paved but contractor is over the construction deadline, there are fines that maybe issued. It looks like we will most likely remove the second story of the Senior Center Building and expand the building at ground level, because currently the building is not earthquake safe. PG&E will be retro fitting all streetlights to save over \$5,000 a month.

*Motion to enter closed session @ 6:31 pm, by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Sablan, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

**CLOSED SESSION**

1. **Government Code Section 54957.6**  
 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS: ALL REPRESENTED AND UNREPRESENTED EMPLOYEES  
 City Negotiator: Ben Gallegos  
 Employee Organizations: Fire, Police & Public Works bargaining units and all unrepresented positions
2. **Pending Litigation Government Code Section 54956.9.**  
 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - Two (2) Case
3. **Government Code Section 54957**  
 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/EMPLOYMENT: City Manager.

*Motion to enter open session @ 8:22 pm, by Council Member Knight, second by Council Member Jenkins, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

**ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION:**                    *No Action Taken*

**ADJOURNMENT -** *Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Knight, second by Councilmember Jenkins; motion passes by 4-0 vote at 8:25 p.m.*