

MEETING MINUTES

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

Location of Meeting: Andrew Firebaugh Community Center
1655 13th Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622
Date/Time: January 17, 2017/6:00 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL PRESENT: Mayor Felipe Perez
Mayor Pro Tem Marcia Sablan
Council Member Freddy Valdez
Council Member Brady Jenkins
ABSENT: Council Member Elsa Lopez

OTHERS: City Attorney Meggin Boranian; City Manager/Acting Public Works Director, Ben Gallegos; Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano; Finance Director, Pio Martin; Police Chief, Sal Raygoza, Fire Chief, John Borboa & others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Council Member Sablan led pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT None

PRESENTATION PROCLAMATION – City of Firebaugh School Choice Week

Motion to approve by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Sablan; motion pass by unanimous 4-0 vote.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council regular meeting on January 8, 2018.

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

2. WARRANT REGISTER – Period starting December 1, and ending on December 31, 2017.

December 2017	General Warrants	#35992 - #36168	\$ 707,563.31
	Payroll Warrants	#69013 - #69115	\$ 214,374.04
TOTAL			\$ 921,937.35

Motion to accept warrants by Council Member Sablan, second by Council Member Valdez; motion pass by unanimous 4-0 vote.

PUBLIC HEARING

3. ORDINANCE NO. 18-01 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH ADDING SECTION 1.7 TO CHAPTER 1 OF THE FIREBAUGH MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ALLOW THE USE OF CREDIT CARDS TO PAY CITY FEES – SECOND READING.

Public Hearing Opened at 6:14 pm - No Comment - Public Hearing Closed at 6:15 pm.

Motion to approve & accept Ord. No. 18-01 by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Jenkins; motion pass by unanimous 4-0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

4. **THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH TO REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE MID-YEAR BUDGET FOR FY 2017-2018.**

Finance Director Martin, reported most of the funds are within the 50% range of budget or lower (Lighting Landscaping Maintenance District, Sewer, Water, Sewer, Law Enforcement and Solid Waste). However, some of the concerns are the Senior Center fund which is higher than estimated so staff will research the reasoning for that. The Community Center had a shortage of funding in last year budget and is showing the same pattern for this year's budget, the calendar is full as far as rental activity, so not sure if it's just expenses (which is about 80%) or something else. The salary is correct for this fund, will look in to the expenses. City Manager Gallegos stated when waivers are approved there are still operational costs for the events that are held and the city is not covering its cost. Police Department is over in salaries because of the overtime for Dispatchers, the city needs more part-time dispatchers. Police Department has spent 50% of the public safety cost but Fire still has 50% of their funding available to them. Special events fund is highly over in salaries (Christmas Parade & Round-up) but donations have helped offset other costs, so the fund is still has a surplus. Water fund is 10% lower than estimated revenue budgeted but we are still at 40% of the budgeted fund. Airport fund received \$20,000 and repaired lights. Streets revenue is only at 21% but city is still waiting for funding from the State, which will hopefully help. City still has a few grants closing and applying for additional funding, not included in this budget is impact funds. Staff wishes to place additional lighting at Maldonado Park. Police Department did some repairs to their current building and spent all of that budget and went over.

Informational Item Only.

Motion to enter Successor Agency at 6:38 p.m. by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Valdez; motion pass by unanimous 4-0 vote.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY MATTERS

5. **RESOLUTION NO. 18-03 - A RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FIREBAUGH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH RSG, INC. TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES TO THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY IN FISCAL YEAR 2018-19.**

Motion to approve Res. No. 18-03 by SA Member Valdez, second by SA Member Jenkins; motion pass by unanimous 4-0 vote.

6. **RESOLUTION NO. 18-04 - A RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FIREBAUGH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPROVING THE RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR JULY 1, 2018 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2019 AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR JULY 1, 2018 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2019.**

Motion to approve Res. No. 18-04 by SA Member Valdez, second by SA Member Jenkins; motion pass by unanimous 4-0 vote.

Motion to enter open session at 6:45 p.m. by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Jenkins; motion pass by unanimous 4-0 vote.

STAFF REPORTS

- **Police Chief, Sal Raygoza** – It's been quite, preparing year-end reports an analysis will be provided a future meeting. All Officers and Reserved Officers are fully staffed, no open positions available, but we do need dispatchers. Currently there is 3 full-time and 1 full-time in training. Met with Bertha Felix at West Hills College to consider offering classes for dispatchers and water/sewer trainee certifications or advertising city job openings.

- **Fire Chief, John Borboa** – Fire season has not ended, working on year end reports to provide at a future meeting. Received an update about the Fire truck in the shop at Fresno, there is minor repairs not major repairs needed, but still seeking to purchase a replacement fire truck.
- **Finance Director, Pio Martin** – received a draft of the audit but staff still has some questions, we’re waiting for a reply from the auditor so we can have him make a presentation. A little nervous about the credit card service, it may slow down the payment processing because of extra steps. An amendment will be needed for lighting cost.
- **City Attorney Meggin Boranian** – Terre Verde contract is terminated as of January 1, 2018 because of the transfer of ownership, which city is not agreeing to. League of Cities posted training events for 2018.
- **City Manager, Ben Gallegos** – HUD Tank buckled, we were aware of that possibility, just didn’t know when. It takes about one year to receive funding, but we are not sure the HUD tank will hold, so city may need to use emergency funding. An application was submitted a few months ago but we have not received notification of award.
- **Council Member Valdez** – Would like to attend Legislative Day April 18th, and Annual Conference in September.
- **Council Member Perez** – request a regular meeting with the City Manager once a month on the 3rd Friday at 1:00.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM ONLY

Motion to enter closed session at 7:17 p.m. by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Jenkins; motion pass by unanimous 4-0 vote.

CLOSED SESSION

7. REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATION – Pursuant to Government Code Section #54956.8.

Re: APN # 008-074-01

Designative Rep. City Negotiator Ben Gallegos

8. REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATION – Pursuant to Government Code Section #54956.8.

Re: APN # 008-074-02

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9. REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATION – Pursuant to Government Code Section #54956.8.

Re: APN # 008-074-03

Designative Rep. City Negotiator Ben Gallegos

ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT *Motion to enter open session and adjourn by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Jenkins; motion passes by unanimous 4-0 vote at 7:53 p.m.*