MEETING MINUTES
The City Council/Successor Agency of the City of Firebaugh
Vol. No. 15/08-17

Location of Meeting: Andrew Firebaugh Community Center
1655 13th Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622
Date/Time: August 17, 2015 / 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER Meeting called to order by Mayor Knight at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Craig Knight
Mayor Pro Tem Freddy Valdez
Council Member Brady Jenkins 6:05 pm
Council Member Marcia Sablan

ABSENT Council Member Felipe Perez

OTHERS: City Attorney Roy Santos; City Manager, Kenneth McDonald; Police Chief, Sal Raygoza; Finance Director, Pio Martin; Public Works Director, Ben Gallegos; Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano; Fire Chief John Borboa; City Engineer Mario Gouveia, Paul and Wanda Breshear, Maria Rios, Morris Kyle and others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Valdez led pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council meeting on August 3, 2015.

2. WARRANT REGISTER – Period starting July 1, and ending on July 31, 2015.

| July 2015 | General Warrants #32256 - #32350 | $ 491,423.44 |
| Payroll Warrants #65774 - #65875 | $ 224,840.10 |
| TOTAL | | $ 716,263.54 |

Motion to approve consent calendar by Council Member Valdez, seconded by Council Member Sablan; motion passes by 3-0 vote.

- Council Member Jenkins Enters meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING

3. ORDINANCE NO. 15-01 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH AMENDING THE FIREBAUGH MUNICIPAL CODE BY REPEALING CHAPTER 30) IN ITS ENTIRETY AND REPLACING IN ITS ENTIRETY WITH A NEW CHAPTER 30 RELATING TO ADOPTION OF A DENSITY BONUS ORDINANCE AND IMPLEMENTATION OF HOUSING GOALS OF THE FIREBAUGH HOUSING ELEMENT.

Public Hearing open at 6:12 p.m. – Comments: none given; closed at 6:13 p.m.
Motion to waive the first reading and approving the second reading and Ord. no. 15-01 by Council Member Sablan, seconded by Council Member Valdez; motion passes by 4-0 vote.


Public Hearing open at 6:14 p.m. – Comments: none given: closed at 6:15 p.m.

Motion to waive the first reading and approving the second reading and Ord. no. 15-02 by Council Member Valdez, seconded by Council Member Sablan; motion passes by 4-0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

5. RESOLUTION NO. 15-31 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING CERTAIN CITY PROPERTY AS SURPLUS EQUIPMENT.

Motion to approve Res. No. 15-31 by Council Member Sablan, seconded by Council Member Valdez; motion passes by 4-0 vote.


Motion to approve the CIP for FY 2015/16 – FY 2019/2020, by Council Member Valdez, seconded by Council Member Sablan; motion passes by 4-0 vote.

7. THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH APPROVING AN INVOCATION POLICY.

Motion to approve the invocation policy, by Council Member Valdez, seconded by Council Member Sablan; motion passes by 4-0 vote.


Motion to approve agreement between the City and EDC, by Council Member Valdez, seconded by Council Member Sablan; motion passes by 4-0 vote.

SUCCESSION AGENCY MATTERS:

9. THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH APPROVING TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR 2015 INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF SHOPPING CENTERS (ICSC) WESTERN DIVISION CONFERENCE.

Motion to approve travel expenses for the ICSC 2015 conference, by Council Member Jenkins, seconded by Council Member Valdez; motion passes by 4-0 vote.

STAFF REPORTS

➢ Police Chief Raygoza – Will contact the Joaquin Murrieta organization to enforce no alcohol in the park area per city ordinance.

➢ Public Works Director Gallegos – Recommend there be no rental on Fridays for the River Camp next year, staff cleans the community center to prepare for the rental of the center

➢ City Engineer Gouveia – Provided an update on the following projects: HWY33 Beautification project a fully funded grant (no match) required will funded improvements along the Hwy 10th thru 14th sidewalks in front of Family Dollar including medians with the removal of the cobble rocks and replace with artificial tuft. In addition to crepe myrtles trees and red bricks. The same improvements will take place on 11th thru 12th, 12th thru 13th and 13th thru 14th both sides of the streets. The Red brick will be laid in a herringbone pattern, street light replacement with the new models looking...
similar to the street light that were installed in the downtown area. Tree grates will have the city logo. The design layout for this project will be submitted to Caltrans for the final review and approval before construction can begin.

- **City Manager McDonald** – Provided an update on the West Hills College letter of support that was requested by council for staff to provide for their grant application, but after further research the City Manager worked with West Hills representatives and the grant has already been submitted. As for the questions Cantu Creek water issues, the Board of Supervisor sets the water rate fee; however, the water was not drinkable so the voters did not vote to improve the rate increase. Therefore, the Board of Supervisors are paying the water cost and the trying to correct the problem. Las Deltas Water District is not in favor of proceeding in the same matter as Cantu Creek because they would also include them to give up their governing board to Fresno County.

- **Council Member Sablan** – Inquired about the results of the carnival for community/vendor feedback, meeting set for August 25, 2015 at 6:00 pm, would like financials before the meeting.

- **Council Member Knight** – Reported that the city has seen many wrecks this week and asked that everyone be careful.

- **City Attorney Santos** – Will not be attending the carnival meeting but work on the technology policy for the September 21st meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT - Motion to adjourn by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Sablan; motion passes by 4-0 vote at 7:02 p.m.