

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The City Council/Successor Agency of the City of Firebaugh
Vol. No. 14/06-30

Location of Meeting: Andrew Firebaugh Community Center
1655 13th Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622

Date/Time: June 30, 2014/6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER Meeting called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Chris DeFrancesco at 6:02 p.m.

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

ABSENT: Mayor Chris DeFrancesco

OTHERS: City Attorney Laurie Avedisian; City Manager, Kenneth McDonald; Finance Director, Pio Martin; Police Chief Elsa Lopez; Fire Chief, John Borboa; Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano; Felipe Perez, Blanca Diaz, Maria Avita and Others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: *Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Jenkins.*

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: *Motion to approve agenda by Council Member Jenkins, seconded by Council Member Valdez, motion passes by 3-0 vote.*

PUBLIC COMMENT: *None*

CONSENT CALENDAR: *None*

NEW BUSINESS

1. **EMERGENCY SEWER LINE REPAIR.**

Motion to approve the emergency repair expenses by Council Member Sablan, seconded by Council Member Jenkins; motion passes by 4-0 vote.

2. **RESOLUTION NO. 14-23 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH ADOPTING ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2014/2015.**

Motion to approve Resolution No 14-23 – Appropriations Limit at the amount of \$9,029,237.00 by Council Member Sablan, seconded by Council Member Valdez; motion passes by 4-0 vote.

3. **RESOLUTION NO. 14-24 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH CONCERNING MEASURE C EXTENSION LOCAL TRANSPORTATION PURPOSE PASS-THROUGH AND PROGRAM FUNDS ANNUAL ALLOCATION FOR FY 2014/2015.**

Motion to approve Resolution No 14-24 by Council Member Sablan, seconded by Council Member Valdez; motion passes by 4-0 vote.

4. **RESOLUTION NO. 14-25 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH ESTABLISHING AND REVISING FEES TO BE CHARGED FOR THE USE OF CITY RODEO GROUNDS FACILITY.**

Motion to approve Resolution No 14-25 with the following amendments: Charge \$500 for venue control fee (gate/entrance closure) of park, Remove Non-Profit fees and Increase cleaning deposit to \$500, by Council Member Sablan, seconded by Council Member Jenkins; motion passes by 4-0 vote.

5. THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SPEND \$96,600 FOR SERVER & WORKSTATION EQUIPMENT ALONG WITH SOFTWARE REPLACEMENT.

Motion for staff to proceed with the server/workstation equipment and software replacement process and expenses by Council Member Jenkins, seconded by Council Member Sablan; motion passes by 4-0 vote.

6. THE 2014-2015 ANNUAL BUDGET WORKSHOP.

Council Member Jenkins & Sablan inquired about the Senior Center fund. Council Members asked: If there are a lot of activities at the center, inquired about Isabel's hours (from 10 am - 12 pm) and about \$4,500 funding received from the FMAAA Grant last year. Council Members also informed the public that the center is a cooling center during the summer. Council Member Valdez asked if a part-time employee could be hired to extend the operating hours. Staff replied that FMAAA provides grant funding for the operation of the program, which is currently being used to pay for a portion of Isabel's salary (about 20%) for the time she is spending at the Senior Center. The grant funds can be used to purchase materials, office supplies and other necessities but if the program is discontinued anything purchased with the funding must be returned to FMAAA.

7. RESOLUTION NO. 14-26 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH AUTHORIZING A CONTINUING BUDGET RESOLUTION TO COMMENCE ON JULY 1, 2014 AND TO END ON JULY 21, 2014, PENDING THE ADOPTION OF A 2014-2015 FISCAL YEAR CITY BUDGET.

Motion to approve Resolution No 14-26 by Council Member Sablan, seconded by Council Member Valdez; motion passes by 4-0 vote.

PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY MATTERS:

8. RESOLUTION NO. PFA 14-27 - A RESOLUTION OF THE FIREBAUGH PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORIZING A CONTINUING BUDGET RESOLUTION TO COMMENCE ON JULY 1, 2014, AND TO END ON JULY 21, 2014, PENDING THE ADOPTION OF A 2014-2015 FISCAL YEAR CITY BUDGET.

Motion to approve Resolution No 14-27 by Council Member Sablan, seconded by Council Member Valdez; motion passes by 4-0 vote.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY MATTERS:

9. RESOLUTION NO. 14-28 - A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH AUTHORIZING A CONTINUING BUDGET RESOLUTION TO COMMENCE ON JULY 1, 2014 AND TO END ON JULY 21, 2014, PENDING THE ADOPTION OF A 2014-2015 FISCAL YEAR CITY BUDGET.

Motion to approve Resolution No 14-28 by Council Member Sablan, seconded by Council Member Jenkins; motion passes by 4-0 vote.

STAFF REPORTS/COUNCIL ITEMS

- Elsa Lopez, Police Chief – Received a report of a possible drowning by the river which was posted on Facebook and stated the Police Department was not responding to the emergency calls. Therefore, the Police Department investigated the allegations but hasn't been able to locate the specified location or if the allegations were factual. After further investigation, it appears one call was received around the time of the reported incident by Firebaugh dispatcher, which was transferred from the Sheriff's Department but the dispatcher was informed by the caller that everything was fine and stated "never mind".
- John Borboa, Fire Chief – receiving very high volume of calls.

- Ben Gallegos, Public Works Director – the card reader for the operation of the field lights at Maldonado have been installed, but will not be implemented until manual book of operation is received. West Hills College provided funding for this project and completed it under budget so the remaining funds may be used to re-seed the fields.
- Pio Martin, Finance Director – will be on vacation from July 10th – July 18th, please submit any questions regarding the budget before the 10th.
- Council Member Knight – Farmers Market is being operated by the Promoters and provide Felipe with a direction to address the matter as they see fit, it is not a city function so any concern /issue their having should be resolved by them, unless it’s a police matter which they should be called then.
- Council Member Jenkins – inquired PAL Soccer follows the Valley Air Pollution guidelines regarding health advisors on extreme temperature **days**.

Motion to enter closed session by Council Member Sablan; second by Council Member Jenkins; Motion passed by consensus vote at 7:09 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

10. Government Code Section 54957.6

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS: ALL REPRESENTED AND UNREPRESENTED
EMPLOYEES: City Negotiator: City Manager
Employee Organizations: Fire, Police & Public Works bargaining units and all unrepresented positions

11. Government Code Section 54956.9

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 - 1 case

12. CITY MANAGER EVALUATION – Pursuant to Government Code 54957.

**Motion to enter open session at 8:44 pm by consensus vote.*

ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION

No Action Taken

- *City Attorney Laurie Avedisian-Favini requested the minutes reflect action was taken by Council. City Manager Ken McDonald received a positive evaluation and received a salary increase.*

ADJOURNMENT - *Motion to adjourn by Council Member Sablan; second by Council Member Jenkins; Motion passed by 4-0 vote at 8:45 p.m.*