

## MEETING MINUTES

The City Council/Successor Agency of the City of Firebaugh  
Vol. No.18/11-05

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

**Date/Time:** November 5, 2018/6:00 p.m.

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

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

**OTHERS:** City Attorney, Meggin Boranian; City Manager/Acting Public Works Director, Ben Gallegos; Finance Director, Pio Martin; Fire Chief, John Borboa; City Engineer, Mario Gouveia; Police Chief, Sal Raygoza and others.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Council Member Lopez led Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** NONE

### CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council regular meeting on October 15, 2018.**

*Motion to accept minutes by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Sablan; motion passes by unanimous 5-0 vote.*

### PUBLIC HEARING

2. **THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH TO CONSIDER AND DISCUSS POTENTIAL PROGRAMS FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2018 STATE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) APPLICATION - \$3 MILLION NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA).**

**Not an Action Item:** Projects: (1) Well rehabilitation (2) Replace additional water lines (3) Sewer lines (4) New Fire Station, as presented by Paul Ashby.

*Motion to a close public hearing by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Jenkins; motion passes by unanimous 5-0 vote.*

3. **THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING FOR CLOSEOUT OF 15-CDBG-10568 GRANT.**

**See staff report:** Code enforcement may continue as long as money is in budget.

**Spent all of CDBG:** Still has punch list for Senior Center

*Motion to a close public hearing by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Valdez; motion passes by unanimous 5-0 vote.*

4. **RESOLUTION NO. 18-54 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH ACCEPTING COMPLETION OF THE SENIOR CENTER REHABILITATION PROJECT, AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO FILE NOTICE OF COMPLETION WITH FRESNO COUNTY AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO RELEASE PAYMENT TO MARKO CONSTRUCTION GROUP.**

*Motion to approve a conditional approval upon Punch list being complete by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Sablan; motion passes by unanimous 5-0 vote.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

5. **RESOLUTION NO. 18-55 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH ACCEPTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AND ADMINISTER A PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH ENGIE SERVICES U.S., INC.**

*Motion to a close public hearing by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Sablan; motion passes by unanimous 5-0 vote.*

**STAFF REPORTS**

- **Police Chief Sal Raygoza** – Will be out for 2 weeks because of leg injury.
- **Fire Chief John Borboa, Firebaugh H.S.** – “Every 15 minute program” will return to Firebaugh High School.
- **Finance Director, Pio Martin** - Margaret retired; Rita will be out for 1 month; water study is moving forward and some rates (should be on next Council Agenda); April 4, 2019 is the implementation date (water and sewer), hiring new person hopefully for 12/1/2018.
- **City Engineer, Mario Gouveia** – Q Street Project another month.
- **City Attorney, Meggin Boranian** – Confirmed November/December City Council Meeting dates for 11/5, 11/19, 12/3 and 12/17. Advised of CCAP speaking request to move forward. Provided Action Alert from League of Cities. Gave update status on Firebaugh Courthouse. Provided the Bureau of Cannabis Control’s modified regulations.
- **City Manager, Benjamin Gallegos** – Explained various road repairs. Advised that majority of the Senior Center is complete, except parking lot. Advised that Parker’s Park’s canopy is in. Explained the hiring to replace Margaret and floater. Advised that businesses want to come into Firebaugh, but there is a shortage of buildings. The 8<sup>th</sup> Street Project will start (CDBG funds). Ben will be in and out of office for family emergency. Rita will return after 12/16/18. Advised that Council that there will be a hiring of 2 new persons – currently on Skeleton Crew at City Hall.
- **Grant Administrator, Paul Ashby** – Gave overview of 3 items (2, 3 & 4) Background given on CDBG Program. 100% grant. On 2/5/19 he will return to Council with action item (see staff reports for more information) after given direction to provide Council with projects based on direction from City.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM ONLY:**      *NONE*

**CLOSED SESSION:**      *NONE*

**ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION:**      *NONE*

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion to adjourn by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Jenkins, motion passes by unanimous 5-0 vote at 6:55pm.*