

MEETING MINUTES

The City Council/Successor Agency of the City of Firebaugh
Vol. No. 19/06-03

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

Date/Time: June 3, 2019/5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER Meeting called to order by Mayor Sablan at 5:30 p.m.

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

ABSENT:

OTHERS: City Attorney Jim Sanchez; Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano; Finance Director, Pio Martin; Police Chief, Sal Raygoza; Fire Chief, John Borboa; Wanda Breshears & others.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM ONLY

- *Motion to enter closed session at 5:31 pm. by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Perez; motion pass by unanimous 4-0 vote.*

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – Government Code Section 54956.9(d) - Pending Litigation

Jones v. Hiller Aircraft, et al. (City of Firebaugh)
Fresno Superior Court Case No. 18CECG04044

- *Motion to enter open session at 5:52 pm. by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Jenkins; motion pass by unanimous 5-0 vote.*

ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION

No action taken, nothing to report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CONSENT CALENDAR:

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council Regular Meeting on May 20, 2019.

Motion to approve minutes by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Jenkins; motion pass by unanimous 5-0 vote.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

NEW BUSINESS**3. RESOLUTION NO. 19-26 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR DISPATCH SERVICES WITH CITY OF MENDOTA.**

Motion to approve Res. No. 19-26 by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Jenkins; motion pass by unanimous 5-0 vote.

PRESENTATION

Ivette Rodriguez of Mid Valley Disposal provide updates on the 3rd & 4th quarter recycling reports for the City of Firebaugh. In 2018, January through December there were 323 carts replacements, most replacements took place the month of April and May. Should any residents need cart replacements they can call City Hall or Mid Valley, it generally takes about a 5 days, if it takes longer, they should call again for replacement. In the City of Firebaugh 265 commercial accounts were accessed Firebaugh Gas & Mini Mart, Shogey's Market & Firebaugh Middle School did outstanding job in Recycling & Mid Valley Disposal will make sure to recognize them. Geno Andrade is the City of Firebaugh's Representative, he has gone door to door to do outreach and provided educational flyers/materials with pictures showing what is allowed in each container. The flyers will also be sent out in the city's' utility bills. There has been some contamination in the containers, clothing that has been thrown in the container, will get to the disposal site and get stuck in the conveying belts. Employees are scared to sort the materials because the has been stabbed with needles/sharps or cut from broken glass in dark/black bags, so just place broken glass in the brown trash container. Firebaugh does have drop-off locations for sharps, batteries and possibly oil. Mid Valley thanked the City for the events that are hold in the community, Mid Valley received 1st Place at the Electric Parade; but it is a good source for outreach. During the City's Spring Clean-up 76.65 tons of garbage was collected, Fall Clean-up 77,940 lbs. of garbage was collected, which means 38% of garbage will be out of the landfill, all these events and collection helps the City meet State requirements. In 2018, Construction & Demo (C&D) materials must have a 91% diversion, City reports show 39% in residential and 10% in commercial, 50% city wide is the goal, city was close but not there yet. Geno Andrade will be inspecting recycle bins check for contamination and to see if residents are complying, on June 10 through June 12, starting at 5 am. CalRecycle, City Staff & Mid Valley representatives held a meeting recently, the City is doing well compared to other cities. The new program that will be enforced in the upcoming years, is food recycling to make compost. The City is out of compliance, schools will be the main generators, annual reports must be submitted to State by August, 5.1 or below is the State requirement. E-waste materials can be dropped-off at the Mid Valley Disposal site in Kerman or can be picked up at residential homes for a fee, it is only free during the Spring and Fall Clean-up events in town.

NEW BUSINESS (Continued)**4. RESOLUTION NO. 19-27 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH AUTHORIZATION THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE TO THE FRESNO-MADERA AREA AGENCY ON AGING CONTRACT, INCLUDING AMENDMENTS AND ALL NECESSARY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS.**

Motion to approve Res. No. 19-27 by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Lopez; motion pass by unanimous 5-0 vote.

5. RESOLUTION NO. 19-28 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH ADOPTING ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020.

Motion to approve Res. No. 19-28 by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Jenkins; motion pass by unanimous 5-0 vote

6. RESOLUTION NO. 19-29 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH APPROVING THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH'S BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019 – 2020.

Motion to approve Res. No. 19-29 with amendment of additional \$20,000to be added to the Parks Budget for lights to be installed for the basketball court at Maldonado Park by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Perez; motion pass by unanimous 5-0 vote

7. RESOLUTION NO. 19-30 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF FIREBAUGH NAMING RUNWAY 12/30 AT FIREBAUGH MUNICIPAL AIRPORT FOR THE LORENZETTI FAMILY.

Motion to approve Res. No. 19-30 by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Perez; motion pass by unanimous 5-0 vote

8. THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH TO DISCUSS THE STREET NAMES FOR NEW SUBDIVISION.

Selection of street names for two proposed subdivisions by Council's approval, Council suggested Calaveras, Rio Grande & Colorado, river names as the street names for the HWY 33 subdivision. The other subdivision will use last names of community residents that have contributed to the City of Firebaugh over the years as the street names in that subdivision. A suggested last name should be submitted with a brief explanation on why the last has recommended and what the contributed to the city.

Information item only.

9. THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH TO DISCUSS THE JOINT USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH AND THE FIREBAUGH-LAS DELTAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

In the current MOU the City would be responsible for all expenses of the grant, it is not a competitive grant. Council Member Sablan stated concern with language referencing the City's use is dependent on the award of the grant, if grant isn't awarded, City wouldn't have access to facility, in general the goal is to work together and share facilities & would prefer the MOU reflect it. Superintendent Mr. Freitas replied, City previously had concern about overtime pay so it was removed, but any other changes would have to go to the School Board for approval.

Information item only.

STAFF REPORTS

- **Police Chief Sal Raygoza** – Included stats from last year, have been monitoring the river flows, check every day to see if kids may be too close to the river, if there is any threat, it may be closed off.
- **Finance Director, Pio Martin** – Solar project financing closed, ENGIE was informed, 1st payment due in 2020 paid with interest, believe it's under 4%.
- **Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano** – Working on Public request act (PRA), attended CalPERS training May 22, Erika Castillo is leaving, and Olga Flores will be covering Senior Center. Working with the Attorney on the Special Election information and Training dates.
- **City Attorney Jim Sanchez** – Another Attorney from Lozano Smith will do the training, she's not available on Tuesdays.
- **Council Member Valdez** – Was honored to be invited by Mr. Del Bosque to talk with Congressmen Costa & T.J. Cox, as well as Mr. Grijalva Chair of Committee of Natural Resource, and had the opportunity to express the effects of the drought in rural communities, so it was a good lunch meeting.
- **Council Member Perez** – I heard that someone from Mendota is selling marijuana rice Krispies around here. Police Chief asked Mr. Perez to provide the information to him, so the Police department can look in to it.
- **Council Member Lopez** – Meet with Dotan about his issues with the City, his requesting the Council to reduce the price of the \$25 fee per square feet for his cannabis operation business. Council Members Valdez & Sablan stated it has been reviewed, discussed & considered but the City needs to cover their cost and the fee was approved for that reason, Since the City doesn't have a tax in place. Other interested businesses do not have an issue with the current fee & are willing to pay it. The revenue is to offset the cost for the Police Department to enforce and combat the problems created by the use.

ADJOURNMENT - Motion adjourn by Council Member Perez, second by Council Member Valdez; motion pass by unanimous 5-0 vote at 7:42 p.m.