

City of Chula Vista

Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, January 14, 2014

2:00 PM

Council Chambers
276 4th Avenue, Building A
Chula Vista, CA 91910

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA

CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Chula Vista was called to order at 2:07 p.m. in the Council Chambers, located in City Hall, 276 Fourth Avenue, Chula Vista, California.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Deputy Mayor Aguilar, Councilmember Bensoussan, Councilmember Ramirez, Councilmember Salas and Mayor Cox

Deputy Mayor Aguilar arrived at 2:12 p.m. and Councilmember Ramirez arrived at 2:45 p.m.

Also Present: City Manager Sandoval, City Attorney Googins, City Clerk Norris, and Assistant City Clerk Bigelow

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

Senior Recreation Manager Farmer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. [13-0231](#) INTRODUCTION BY KRISTI MCCLURE, DIRECTOR OF RECREATION, OF EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH TIM FARMER, SENIOR RECREATION MANAGER

Director of Recreation McClure presented employee of the month, Senior Recreation Manager Farmer. Mayor Cox read the proclamation and Deputy Mayor Aguilar presented it to Mr. Farmer.

2. [13-0223](#) PRESENTATION BY DR. FRANCISCO ESCOBEDO, SUPERINTENDENT, ON THE CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT: ACCELERATING THE INNOVATION THROUGH INQUIRY, INTELLECT, AND IMAGINATION

Francisco Escobedo, Superintendent, Chula Vista Elementary School District, presented information on the school district and its programs.

3. [14-0005](#) PRESENTATION BY THE GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF THE DISTINGUISHED BUDGET PRESENTATION AWARD TO FINANCE DIRECTOR MARIA KACHADOORIAN

City Manager Sandoval introduced Finance Director Kachadoorian, who provided information on the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award presented by the Government Finance Officers Association.

4. [13-0222](#) PRESENTATION BY ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE SPECIALIST MICHELLE CASTAGNOLA AND RECYCLING SPECIALIST II MARTIE SOLOMON RECOGNIZING NEW CLEAN BUSINESS PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

Environmental Resource Specialist Castagnola and Recycling Specialist Solomon presented information on the Clean Business Program and introduced new participants to the program.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Item 8 was removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of Councilmember Ramirez.

5. [14-0004](#) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF December 5, 2013.

Staff Recommendation: Council approve the minutes.

6. [14-0014](#) ORDINANCE NO. 3301 OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE PLANNED COMMUNITY DISTRICT REGULATIONS FOR THE PROVISION OF COMMUNITY PURPOSE FACILITIES IN SECTIONAL PLANNING AREA PLANS (SECOND READING AND ADOPTION)

Staff Recommendation: Council adopt the ordinance.

7. [13-0168](#) A. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-007 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA CALLING A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2014, FOR THE ELECTION OF A MAYOR, TWO MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND A CITY ATTORNEY; CONSOLIDATING THE ELECTION WITH THE STATEWIDE ELECTION; AND REQUESTING THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PERMIT THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS TO PERFORM CERTAIN SERVICES FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION

B. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-008 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO MATERIALS SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORATE AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2014

Staff Recommendation: Council adopt the resolutions.

Item 8 was removed from the Consent Calendar.

9. [13-0207](#) A. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-010 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AUTHORIZING THE RECLASSIFICATION OF FISCAL AGENT NETWORK MANAGER TO FISCAL AGENT INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM MANAGER FOR THE SAN DIEGO LAW ENFORCEMENT COORDINATION CENTER (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED)
- B. ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AMENDING CHULA VISTA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 2.05.010 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF UNCLASSIFIED POSITIONS TO REMOVE FISCAL AGENT NETWORK MANAGER AND ADD FISCAL AGENT INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM MANAGER (FIRST READING)

Staff Recommendation: Council adopt the resolution and place the ordinance on first reading.

10. [13-0211](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2014-011 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ACCEPTING BIDS AND AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR THE "REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR OF CURB AND GUTTER CITYWIDE, IN THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA, CA (STL398)" PROJECT TO CREST EQUIPMENT, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$189,733.75

Staff Recommendation: Council adopt the resolution.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

ACTION: A motion was made by Mayor Cox, seconded by Councilmember Bensoussan, to approve staff's recommendations on the above Consent Calendar items, headings read, text waived. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Aguilar, Bensoussan, Ramirez, Salas and Cox

No: 0

Abstain: 0

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

8. [13-0189](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2014-009 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA APPROVING THE DRAFT PARK MASTER PLAN FOR THE 1.97 ACRE NORTH EAST PARK, A TURNKEY PUBLIC NEIGHBORHOOD PARK, AT MILLENIA, CHULA VISTA WITH THE RECOMMENDATION THAT SOLAR ENERGY IS CONSIDERED FOR USE ON THE COMFORT STATION, AND APPROVING THE PARK NAME, "STYLUS PARK"

In response to questions from Councilmember Ramirez, City Manager Sandoval provided information regarding the ongoing maintenance costs of parks.

In response to questions from Councilmember Bensoussan, Todd Galarneau, representing McMillin Companies, presented additional information about the proposed park.

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Ramirez, seconded by Councilmember Aguilar, to adopt Resolution No. 2014-009, heading read, text waived. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Aguilar, Bensoussan, Ramirez, Salas and Cox

No: 0

Abstain: 0

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jeremiah Ivie, Chula Vista resident, expressed concern regarding mind-invasive technology.

John Hess, representing the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), expressed the union's concerns regarding lack of support of the department.

Luanne Hulsizer, representing the Third Avenue Village Association (TAVA), expressed gratitude to the Council and City staff and provided an update on the organization.

ACTION ITEMS

11. [14-0020](#) CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING A CITY DEBT POLICY (CONTINUED FROM JANUARY 9, 2014 WORKSHOP)

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-012 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ADOPTING A CITY DEBT POLICY

Finance Director Kachadoorian presented information regarding the proposed city debt policy.

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Aguilar, seconded by Councilmember Salas, to adopt Resolution No. 2014-012, heading read, text waived. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Aguilar, Bensoussan, Ramirez, Salas and Cox

No: 0

Abstain: 0

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

There were none.

MAYOR'S REPORTS

Mayor Cox recognized Port Commissioner Ann Moore for her service as Chair of the Commission.

COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS

Deputy Mayor Aguilar announced her upcoming open office hours which would be held on January 16, 2014, on the topic of Chula Vista's homeless population. She also expressed concern regarding deterioration of the west side of the City, as well as the Fire Department's recent vote of no confidence.

Councilmember Bensoussan announced the following events that would be held on January 25, 2014: Unleashed's pet fest, celebrating the company's fourth anniversary, as well as a Chula Vista Garden Club dedication ceremony for the aromatic garden at the South Chula Vista branch library. She also announced a Friends of the Chula Vista Library event with radio host Grant Barrett, which would be held on January 26, 2014.

Councilmember Ramirez expressed concern regarding ongoing labor negotiations and spoke in support of the Council reconsidering its negotiation team.

City Manager Sandoval provided information regarding his response to IAFF's concerns and responded to the Council's concerns.

At the request of Councilmember Ramirez, there was consensus of the Council to schedule an item on an upcoming agenda regarding negotiations.

Councilmember Salas spoke in support of continuing the conversation regarding labor negotiations in closed session.

Mayor Cox paid tribute to former City Manager John Goss and former Police Agent Steve Guthrie, and stated the meeting would be adjourned in their honor.

Mayor Cox announced that the Council would convene in closed session to discuss the items listed below.

Mayor Cox recessed the meeting at 4:04 p.m. The Council reconvened in Closed Session at 4:15 p.m., with all members present.

CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to Resolution No. 13706 and Council Policy No. 346-03, Official Minutes and records of action taken during Closed Sessions are maintained by the City Attorney.

12. [14-0008](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c).
One Case.

Consideration of legal challenge to SB 7, SB 829 and/or SB 922 as violations of Chula Vista's Charter City "home rule" authority.

Reportable Action: The City Council voted 3-2 (Salas and Aguilar opposed) to authorize City participation as a non-party "Associate" (along with other impacted cities) in a legal challenge to SB 7, SB 829, and SB 922 as violations of Chula Vista's Charter City "home rule" authority.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:30 p.m., Mayor Cox adjourned the meeting to the Regular City Council Meeting on January 28, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.

Kerry K. Bigelow, Assistant City Clerk