

**Minutes of the Study Session of the
LEMOORE CITY COUNCIL
June 19, 2007**

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Murray; Mayor Pro Tem Grego; Council Members Martin, Rodarmel; City Manager Briltz; City Attorney Cantú Montoy; Public Works Director Wlaschin; Parks and Recreation Director Hernandez; Finance Director Cota; Police Chief Morrell; Redevelopment Project Manager Holwell; Planning Director Smyth; Administrative Analyst Tyler; Administrative Analyst Prichard; Public Buildings and Parks Superintendent Simonson; City Clerk Lima.

ABSENT: Council Member Hornsby

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no comment.

REVIEW – PROPOSED 2007-2008 OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE BUDGET:

A. PRESENTATION – BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS:

City Manager Briltz reviewed a PowerPoint presentation covering proposed General Fund Revenue, 2007-2008 Expenditures, the Water Fund, the Sewer/Storm Drain Fund, and the Refuse Fund.

B. COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION REQUESTS:

Pastor Sandy Brown representing Lemoore Christian Aid requested \$2,000. Jane Dart representing Lemoore Senior Citizens, Inc. requested \$8,000. Jeff Gardner of Kings Community Action Organization requested \$5,000 for the Barbara Saville Women's Shelter. Pam Chin from Kings County Commission on Aging requested \$4,000 to be utilized as leverage for existing funding. Dean Lahodny from the Sarah A. Mooney Museum requested \$5,000 to use towards a new roof. Letters were received from Kings/Tulare Area Agency on Aging for \$2,000 and Kings County Homecoming for \$200. Lemoore High School requested \$10,000 for the Gang Resistance Intervention Program. Julie Cota representing Lemoore Little League requested \$5,000 and the donation of two lawn mowers that are being replaced in the Parks Department.

Council received requests totaling \$41,200. Council will allocate \$30,000 in funding at the next Council meeting.

C. DEPARTMENT BY DEPARTMENT REVIEW:

City Manager Briltz reviewed the budget by department with the Council. Mayor Murray requested that the Public Works Director's compensation be reviewed in comparison to the Finance Director's compensation. Council discussed whether to make the additional Code Enforcement Officer full-time instead for a

part-time position. Council decided that the position be a part-time position that will be evaluated in six months.

CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no comment.

CLOSED SESSION:

At 7:12p.m. the Board adjourned to Closed Session regarding existing litigation. There was no announcement.

ADJOURNMENT: At 7:23 p.m., Council adjourned to the Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
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ABSENT: Council Member Hornsby

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Greseart, 19 Follett Street, spoke of his concern over the shopping carts left around town. When he talked to the stores they told him they had someone that went around town picking up carts. Yet there are times when the City picks up the carts and the stores are charged to retrieve them. He called the police when he saw someone stealing a cart and the police would not arrest the person since Mr. Greseart did not own the cart he could not make the complaint.

It was explained that the stores would not press charges against people borrowing the carts and that the stores are notified three times before a charge and to date no stores have been charged.

Ray Henson 155 E. Glendale Avenue, spoke of his concerns regarding Code Enforcement, dust issues at the water tank on Lemoore Avenue and truck parking. He showed pictures to the Council.

INTRODUCTION – DAY CAMP STAFF:

Recreation Supervisor Nelson introduced the Summer Day Camp Staff.

PRESENTATION BY LEMOORE LIONS CLUB – FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF LIONS PARK:

Jeff Garcia and Martin Perez of the Lemoore Lions Club presented a \$2,500 check to the City.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

It was moved by Council Member Grego, seconded by Council Member Rodarmel, and carried that the Council approved the following Consent Calendar:

- A. Approval – Minutes – June 4, 2007
- B. Approval – Warrant Register
- C. Approval – Notice of Completion – Well #6
- D. Approval – Notice of Completion- Street Overlay
- E. Approval – Street Closure and Beer Garden – Lemoore Chamber of Commerce – 2007 Lemoore-Navy July 4th Celebration
- F. Approval – Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District – Resolution 2007-22- Intention to Levy and Collect the Annual Assessments for Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District No. 1, (LLMD) Zones 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 8A, 9, 11, 12, 12A, and 13 for the City of Lemoore
- G. Approval – Public Facilities Maintenance District – Resolution 2007-23 – Intention to Levy and Collect the Annual Assessments for Public Facilities Maintenance District No. 1, (PFMD) Zone 1 of the City of Lemoore

Ayes: Grego, Rodarmel, Martin, Murray

Absent: Hornsby

PUBLIC HEARING – RESOLUTION 2007-16 – DECLARING PUBLIC NUISANCES AND ORDERING WEED ABATEMENT:

Fire Chief Gibson reported due to lack of rain there are very few weed abatement problems and most property owners have taken care of their properties.

At 8:00 p.m. Mayor Murray opened the Public Hearing to accept testimony regarding public nuisances and weed abatement.

At 8:01 p.m. the Public Hearing closed.

It was moved by Council Member Martin, seconded by Council Member Rodarmel, and carried that the Council direct staff to continue efforts on those properties not cleared by the owners.

Ayes: Martin, Rodarmel, Grego, Murray

Absent: Hornsby

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – BID AWARD – 2007 STREET OVERLAY PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$655,411.50:

Public Works Director Wlaschin reported that the bid opening for the 2007 Street Overlay Project was held June 13, 2007. The lowest bid received was from Granite Construction for a total of \$669,993. For the record Mr. Wlaschin corrected the agenda, which had the bid amount of \$655,411.50. Mr. Wlaschin recommended that Council accept the low bid from Granite Construction in the amount of \$669,993.

It was moved by Council Member Martin, seconded by Council Member Rodarmel, and carried that the Council accept low bid with alternates from Granite Construction in the amount of \$669,933 and authorize the City Manager to sign the contract agreement.

Ayes: Martin, Rodarmel, Grego, Murray

Absent: Hornsby

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – RESOLUTION 2007-24 – PROPOSITION 1B/SB286 LOCAL STREETS AND ROADS FUNDING:

Finance Director Cota reported that in November 2006 voters passed Proposition 1B, which allocated \$2 billion, would be used to improve local streets, roads and other priority local transportation projects. The Assembly and Senate Budget Subcommittees on Transportation recommended that the \$2 billion be split evenly between cities and counties. The League of California Cities is advocating for the full \$1 billion allocation to cities in Fiscal Year 2007-08, the Senate subcommittee is recommending \$400 million split evenly between cities and counties, and the Assembly sub-committee is recommending \$600 million, split evenly. The City of Lemoore is due approximately \$750,000 from Proposition 1B. Ms. Cota recommended that Council approve Resolution 2007-24 supporting full allocation of Proposition 1B funds to cities in 2007-08.

It was moved by Council Member Martin, seconded by Council Member Grego, and carried that the Council approve Resolution 2007-24 supporting \$1 Billion State Budget Allocation of Proposition 1B Funds to Cities in 2007-08.

Ayes: Martin, Grego, Rodarmel, Murray

Absent: Hornsby

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – PROGRAM AGREEMENT 1 – SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY POWER AUTHORITY:

Administrative Analyst Tyler reviewed the total progression of Community Choice Aggregation from the first meeting with City staff in 2004 to the Program Agreement 1 before Council for approval. He addressed some questions that had been asked and directed Council to the answers provided by KRCD and SJPA, PG&E and the City Attorney's written opinion.

Ken Cooper representing PG&E located at 1524 N. Carpenter Road, Modesto, CA; expressed the concern that there are not enough guarantees for lower rates.

Michael Montalbano of 1030 McKenna Street expressed his support of Community Choice Aggregation.

David Orth of Kings River Conservation District thanked the Council for their continued interest in the program.

Mayor Murray thanked Mr. Orth, PG&E and City Attorney Cantú Montoy for answering the questions submitted.

Council discussion with KRCD included that the issue of net metering for the CCA could take up to one year to resolve with the CPUC. Citigroup will be purchasing power on the open market and at this time KRCD does not know who they will be purchasing from. The sources to meet the 20% renewable energy

have not been identified but the Authority's objective is that there are sources from the valley.

It was moved by Council Member Martin, seconded by Council Member Grego, and carried that the Council approve the execution of Program Agreement 1 by the City Manager.

Ayes: Martin, Grego, Rodarmel Noes: Murray Absent: Hornsby

RDA MEETING: At 8:41 p.m., Council adjourned to sit as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Lemoore and reconvened as Joint Lemoore City Council/Redevelopment Agency at 9:41 p.m.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – RESIDENTIAL SOLAR LOAN OPTIONS:

Redevelopment Project Manager Holwell reported that the average size solar system is 5.0 KW and rebates are available in the amount of \$2,500 per KW. The average cost per KW to install a solar system is \$8,500; leaving customers with an out-of-pocket expense of approximately \$6,000 per KW.

Ms. Holwell reviewed the options of granting the money, no interest loans, and 7% interest bearing loans.

Council/Board directed that the item be brought back before them in a month.

DISCUSSION – INCLUSIONARY HOUSING POLICIES:

Planning Director Smyth reminded Council that the discussion on inclusionary housing began last fall. Our General Plan consultant, Michael Dyett suggested that we create an Inclusionary Housing Ordinance based on existing policies within the Housing Element.

Staff highlighted some possible options for the Council/Board. The Council/Board directed staff to work with the City Attorney to develop the framework for an Inclusionary Housing Ordinance to be brought back at a later date.

DEPARTMENT/CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

Planning Director Smyth reported that the Draft EIR and General Plan should be available next month with final adoption tentatively scheduled for October 23, 2007.

City Manager Britz reminded everyone of the Wednesday, July 4th celebration.

Public Works Director Wlaschin informed Council of the educational recycling tags being attached to refuse cans and that refuse cans in alleys are being tagged telling the owners to move the cans out of the alley.

COUNCIL REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION:

Council Member Rodarmel referred to a Hanford Sentinel article which said it is difficult to do business in Lemoore; the article was on former Lemoore Police Officer Jeff McCabe's new bar in Hanford.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Full digital audio recording is available.

Approved the 3rd day of July, 2007.

John F. Murray, Mayor

Attest:

Nanci C. O. Lima, City Clerk