

Minutes of the Study Session of the
LEMOORE CITY COUNCIL
January 5, 2010

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Murray; Council Members Plourde, Rodarmel, Siegel; City Manager Briltz; Public Works Director Wlaschin; Parks and Recreation Director Simonson; Finance Director Cota; Acting Police Chief Laws; Redevelopment Project Manager Holwell; Planning Director Smyth; Administrative Analyst Prichard; Project Coordinator Shaw; City Clerk Lima.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Hornsby, City Attorney Behrens

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comment.

DISCUSSION – PROP 84 – PARK PROJECT – PARTNERSHIP WITH LEMOORE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Project Coordinator Jason Shaw and Lemoore Union High School District Superintendent Dwight Miller reviewed the proposed park project and Prop 84 requirements.

Spoke in favor of the project:

Allen McGhuey
James Yeager
Wilbert Keel
Mitzi Hernandez
Joe Simonson
Brian Castadio

CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comment.

ADJOURN TO CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION:

At 6:06 p.m., the Council adjourned to closed session regarding threatened litigation, three cases and labor negotiations. There was no announcement.

City Attorney Behrens arrived at 6:15 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Hornsby arrived at 6:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: At 7:25 p.m., Council adjourned to the Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
LEMOORE CITY COUNCIL
January 5, 2010

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Murray; Mayor Pro Tem Hornsby; Council Members Plourde, Rodarmel, Siegel; City Manager Brittz; City Attorney Behrens; Public Works Director Wlaschin; Public Works Superintendent Pereira; Parks and Recreation Director Simonson; Finance Director Cota; Acting Police Chief Laws; Redevelopment Project Manager Holwell; Planning Director Smyth; City Clerk Lima.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comment.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

It was moved by Council Member Plourde, seconded by Council Member Siegel, and carried that the Council approve the following Consent Calendar:

- A. Approval – Minutes – December 15, 2009
- B. Approval – Warrant Register 09-10 – December 30, 2009
- C. Approval – Second Reading – Ordinance 2009-12 – Water Efficiency Landscaping.
- D. Approval – Acceptance – Mowji – Right of Way
- E. Approval – Retirement Incentives
- F. Approval – BMX Track Lease – Lemoore BMX Central California (CEN CAL) Track
- G. Approval – Resolution 2010 – 01 – Application for Prop 84 Statewide Park Program Grant Funds

Ayes: Plourde, Siegel, Rodarmel, Hornsby, Murray

PRESENTATION – WATER QUALITY TEST RESULTS – CEDAR NEST SUBDIVISION:

Public Works Director Wlaschin reported that results of the water test from three locations within the Cedar Nest subdivision met all the standards except for secondary standards for color. The color is an aesthetic issue not one of health. Mr. Wlaschin reported that the test results had been shared with the residents of the subdivision. Mr. Wlaschin stated that in the near future Well No 12 will be shut down for work related to the arsenic removal project and residents would be notified prior to the shut down.

Ms. Gina Tashima from the subdivision thanked the Council and Mr. Wlaschin for addressing the residents concerns.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – REQUEST FOR UNDULATIONS – OPAL DRIVE:

It was moved by Council Member Plourde, seconded by Council Member Hornsby, and approved by the Council that the Streets Budget be amended for a one-time cost of \$500.00 to pay for a sign on Opal Drive as discussed and retain the existing policy pertaining to undulations.

Ayes: Plourde, Hornsby, Siegel, Rodarmel, Murray

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – EQUESTRIAN ENTRIES AT PARADES IN LEMOORE:

Redevelopment Project Manager Holwell reported that the Christmas and 4th of July parades held within the City of Lemoore were Lemoore Chamber of Commerce events not City of Lemoore events. The Council approved street closures for such events and could include special conditions to entries in said closure approvals.

Lynda Lahodny, CEO, of the Lemoore Chamber of Commerce reported that after the Christmas parade the parade committee had met and reviewed the parade. The committee recommended some changes to the parade including rules regarding equestrian entries such as providing their own waste disposal units.

Spoke:
Virgil Powell
Captain Jim Knapp
Mike Madden

The Council appreciated that the parades are a Lemoore Chamber of Commerce event and agreed with the steps the Chamber is instituting regarding equestrian entries.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – APPOINTMENT – COUNCIL MEMBER – KINGS COUNTY GANG AWARENESS ADVISORY COMMISSION:

Council consensus was that Council Member Plourde serve on the Kings County Gang Awareness Advisory Commission.

DEPARTMENT/CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

No reports.

COUNCIL REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION:

Council Member Rodarmel inquired as to the reason the new street lights installed on Lemoore Avenue and E Street were not working. Public Works Director responded that PG&E was having an issue with those lights. Mr. Rodarmel continued that there were still sandbags on Lemoore Avenue and Hanford – Armona Road. Mr. Wlaschin said the sand bags belonged to PG&E but he would pick them up.

Council Member Plourde reported that he would be attending the Cross Valley Rail Joint Powers Authority meeting Friday January 8, 2010.

ADJOURN TO JOINT LEMOORE CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING:

At 8:15 p.m. the Council adjourned to a Joint Lemoore City Council/Redevelopment Agency Meeting.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – DEVELOPMENT AND DISPOSITION AGREEMENT – COKER ELLSWORTH:

A. CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE – PURCHASE OF PROPERTY – APN 023-400-001

B. RELEASE OF LIEN – GOLF COURSE PROPERTY – APN 024-052-098

C. 3-YEAR EXTENSION – INDUSTRIAL PARK – APN 024-051-017

It was moved by Board Member Rodarmel, seconded by Board Member Hornsby, and carried that the Board approve; 1) the purchase of 6.1 acres of land at 400 S. 19 ½ Avenue (APN 023-400-001) from Mr. Coker Ellsworth in the amount of approximately \$558,724 (\$250,000 payment and approximately \$308,724 elimination of debt), plus one-half of the closing costs; 2) accept the Certificate of Acceptance for the property acquisition; 3) approve the Release of Liens for the elimination of debt (APN 024-052-098 formerly APN 024-052-088); and 4) adopt Amendment No. 2 to the Disposition and Development Agreement (APN 024-051-017) granting the timeline extension; and authorize the Executive Director to execute all the documents necessary to complete the transaction.

Ayes: Rodarmel, Hornsby, Plourde, Murray

Noes: Siegel

D. 3-YEAR EXTENSION – E STREET MIXED USE PROJECT – APN 020-053-003

It was moved by Council Member Plourde, seconded by Council Member Rodarmel, and carried that the Council adopt Amendment No. 3 to the Contract for Conveyance and Development (APN 020-053-003) granting the timeline extension; and authorize the City Manager to execute said document, which is contingent upon each of the documents listed in the Discussion above, through close of escrow.

Ayes: Plourde, Rodarmel, Hornsby, Murray

Noes: Siegel

ADJOURNMENT TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY:

At 8:22 p.m., Council adjourned to sit as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Lemoore and reconvened at 8:24 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

At 8:25 p.m. Council adjourned to closed session regarding labor negotiations. There was no announcement.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 9:15 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Full digital audio recording is available.

Approved the 19th day of January, 2010.

John F. Murray, Mayor

Attest:

Nanci C. O. Lima, CMC
City Clerk