

Minutes of the Study Session of the
LEMOORE CITY COUNCIL
February 16, 2010

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Murray; Mayor Pro Tem Hornsby; Council Members Plourde, Siegel; Street Tree Committee Members Day; N. Ahumada; Miller; Thayer; City Manager Britz; City Attorney Behrens; Public Works Director Wlaschin; Parks & Facilities Superintendent Greenlee; Redevelopment Project Manager Holwell; Planning Director Smyth; Administrative Analyst Apone; Deputy City Clerk Venegas.

ABSENT:

Street Tree Committee Member F. Ahumada

Council Member Rodarmel arrived at 6:36 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comment.

ADJOURN TO A JOINT LEMOORE CITY COUNCIL/LEMOORE STREET TREE COMMITTEE MEETING:

At 5:31 p.m., the Council adjourned to a Joint Lemoore City Council/Lemoore Street Tree Committee Meeting.

DISCUSSION – STREET TREE RELATED POLICIES:

Public Works Director Wlaschin reviewed a PowerPoint presentation and the existing policies regarding street trees with the Council and Street Tree Committee.

Direction given was to develop an information campaign to make all citizens aware of the street tree, sidewalk repair, and curb and gutter policies and that the Street Tree Committee develop a set of recommendations for the Council to consider regarding enforcement and changes to City Standards.

ADJOURN TO LEMOORE CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

At 6:40 p.m., the Council and Street Tree Committee adjourned to a Lemoore City Council Meeting.

CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comment.

ADJOURN TO CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION:

At 6:41 p.m., the Council adjourned to Closed Session regarding property negotiation, anticipated litigation and initiating litigation. There was no announcement.

ADJOURNMENT: At 7:18 p.m., Council adjourned to the Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
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February 16, 2010

ATTENDANCE:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comment.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

- A. Approval – Minutes – February 2, 2010
- B. Approval – Warrant Register 09-10 – February 12, 2010
- C. Approval – Mid-Year Budget Adjustments
- D. Approval – Resolution 2010-03 – In Support of High Speed Rail Station near Hanford
- E. Rejection – Claim – Rosa Benitez
- F. Approval – Resolution 2010-04 – A Resolution of Intent to Abandon a Public Utility Easement and Assign New Easement Adjacent to Leprino Foods' East Plant
- G. Approval – Amendment to Purchase Agreement – Lemoore Racing Enterprises

Ayes: Plourde, Rodarmel, Siegel, Hornsby, Murray

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH LEMOORE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT – PROP 84 PARK:

City Manager Brittz discussed the proposed Prop 84 Park and presented the most recent draft MOU to the Council.

It was moved by Council Member Plourde, seconded by Council Member Hornsby, and carried that the Council authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding subject to minor non substantive changes with these exceptions; maintenance issues, termination in the event funding is never secured, and the timeframe for construction and subject to City Attorney review.

Ayes: Plourde, Hornsby, Siegel, Rodarmel, Murray

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – REVIEW OF THE BANNER ENFORCEMENT MORATORIUM:

Planning Director Smyth reviewed the current banner enforcement moratorium and requested further direction.

It was moved by Council Member Rodarmel, seconded by Council Member Hornsby, and carried that the Council extend the banner enforcement moratorium for 12 months.

Ayes: Rodarmel, Hornsby, Siegel, Plourde, Murray

DEPARTMENT/CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

Interim Police Chief Laws reminded the Council of the Volunteer Dinner February 25th at 6 p.m. Chief Laws reported to the Council that eight massage therapists had participated in the discussion regarding a Massage Ordinance and all eight were in favor of the Clovis model of Massage Ordinance.

Public Works Director Wlaschin reported that the traffic signal at Bush Street and 19th Avenue is approximately a month from having the signal energized and will involve the relocation of a fire hydrant. Mr. Wlaschin continued 19 ½ Avenue will be closed for 30 days due to the arsenic removal project.

Planning Director Smyth reported responses for the Zoning Ordinance Update RFP are due this Friday, February 19; the review committee will be meeting February 26.

City Manager Britz reported that he and Mayor Pro Tem Hornsby and Council Member Plourde will be participating in a lobbying trip to Sacramento February 17.

COUNCIL REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION:

Council Member Rodarmel reported that he had met with the public relations firm for Wal-Mart. Mr. Rodarmel inquired as to why a street light that was down on Hanford-Armona Road was not replaced. Mr. Rodarmel continued he had received a 2nd notice for his business license when he had not received the 1st notice; he asked for information on why this occurred and how do we prevent in the future.

Mayor Pro Tem Hornsby reported that she had attended a Valley voice lobbying trip February 2.

Mayor Murray reported he had received a call from a citizen who resides at the Antler Hotel complaining about the music and it was his understanding that the problem has been handled.

ADJOURN TO JOINT LEMOORE CITY COUNCIL/LEMOORE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING:

At 7:55 p.m., the Council adjourned to a Joint Lemoore City Council/Lemoore Redevelopment Agency Meeting.

REVIEW – LEMOORE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AGREEMENTS:

Redevelopment Project Manager Holwell reviewed the agreements between the City, the Redevelopment Agency and the Lemoore Chamber of Commerce with the Council/Board.

Spoke:
Lynda Lahodny

The Council/Board directed that staff begin work on a multi-year contract modeled after the existing contract and to combine the agreement with the Downtown Revitalization agreement.

ADJOURNMENT TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY:

At 8:18 p.m., Council/Agency adjourned to sit as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Lemoore.

Full digital audio recording is available.

Approved the 2nd day of March, 2010.

John F. Murray, Mayor

Attest:

Nanci C. O. Lima, CMC
City Clerk