

MINUTES
Regular Meeting of the Lompoc
City Council and Lompoc Redevelopment Agency
Tuesday, February 20, 2007
City Hall/100 Civic Center Plaza
Council Chambers

OPEN SESSION - 7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers

Council/Agency Members Present: DeWayne Holmdahl, Ann Ruhge, Will Schuyler, Michael Siminski, and Mayor/Chair Dick DeWees.

Staff Present: City Administrator/Executive Director Gary Keefe, City Clerk/Secretary Donna Terrones, City Attorney/General Counsel Sharon Stuart, Economic Development Coordinator Kate Griffith, and Senior Environmental Coordinator Stacy Lawson.

Other Participants: John Shoals, Ron Fink, Ralph Harman, and Joyce Howerton.

Jim Mackereth gave the invocation and Mayor Dick DeWees led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS:

Economic Development Coordinator Kate Griffith presented an update on the City of Lompoc’s participation in the U.S. Department of Labor WIRED grant in partnership with California Space Authority.

John Shoals, representing RRM Design Group, presented an overview of the State of California’s Planning, Zoning, and Development regulations and the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as they apply to the City’s Development Review process.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S STATUS REPORT: (distributed as an informational report)

STAFF REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council/Agency Member Holmdahl requested staff bring back to Council comments from the public who have used the Aquatic Center.

Mayor/Chair DeWees announced that the Lompoc Citizen’s Police Academy is seeking students and announced the Change of Command at Vandenberg Air Force Base. He informed the public of the Addendum to the Agenda.

- CITY
1. **Strategic Planning and Public Information Services for Placing a Measure on the Ballot Requesting Voter Consideration of a Tax Measure for Funding Police and Fire Staffing and Facilities.**

City Administrator Gary Keefe presented the staff report and recommendations.

Public Comment:

1. Ron Fink commented on the proposed tax increase and said he would like to see budget cuts in other areas to help fund Police and Fire.
2. Ralph Harman, and Joyce Howerton commented on budget cuts and opposed Staff’s recommendations.

COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:
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Councilmember Holmdahl stated the L98 measure failed due to lack of unanimous Council support. He commented on developer fees and informed the public that these fees are not used for salaries, but for capital facilities. He supports budget increases for Police and Fire.

Councilmember Schuyler feels other alternatives should be looked at. He feels the monies requested could go towards Police and Fire and is opposes to Staff's recommendations.

Councilmember Siminski suggested a public meeting to inform the citizens how the budget is prepared and how the monies are allocated. He requested Staff prepare more information regarding the consultant agreement.

Councilmember Ruhge supported Councilmember Siminski suggestion.

Mayor DeWees stated an e-mail was received from a citizen regarding the proposed tax increase. He commented on the need to find ways to fund the requests by Police and Fire, and encouraged public input.

Councilmember Siminski informed the public that the Council is authorized to spend City funds to identify a problem and to suggest a correction of that problem; however, the Council is not authorized to spend City funds to advocate.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Siminski/Holmdahl. By a 4 to 1 vote (Councilmember Schuyler voted **NO**), the City Council approved in concept the outline of the agreement, authorized the City Administrator to continue discussions and return to Council for final approval within 30 days.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Ralph Harman requested Councilmember Siminski's suggestion be discussed at a workshop so the public can give input and receive feedback.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Motion/Second: Holmdahl/Siminski. By a unanimous vote the City Council/Agency:

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| CITY/RDA | 1. Approved Minutes of the Lompoc City Council Adjourned Regular Meeting Budget Workshop of January 19 and 20, 2007 (with noted changes) and the Lompoc City Council Adjourned Special Meeting of January 23, 2007. |
| CITY | 2. Approved expenditures for:

Payroll of 02/09/07 - \$986,985.58
Voucher Register of 02/09/07 - \$475,551.17
Voucher Register of 02/02/07 - \$488,809.18 |
| CITY | 3. Approved the Contract Amendment for the Lompoc Regional Wastewater Reclamation Plant (LRWRP) Upgrade Project Bidding Assistance and Conforming Documents. Total additional cost for B&C's bidding assistance and conforming documents is \$50,530. |

CONSENT CALENDAR: (cont'd)

- CITY 4. Adopted Ordinance No. 1539(07) Changing the Existing Zoning District Designation from *High Density Residential (R-3)* to *High Density Residential, Planned Development (R-3, PD)*. The Site is approximately 1.9 Acres in area and located at the Southwest corner of Walnut Avenue and Seventh Street (APN No. 85-150-09) (Planning Division File No. ZC 06-06).
- CITY/RDA 5. Adopted Resolution No. 5381(07) and RDA Resolution No. 07-119, authorizing the new Treasury Staff Supervisor, Accountant, and designated Staff, or their successors, the ability to deposit and withdraw funds from the Local Agency Investment Fund.

RECESS: At 8:35 P.M., Mayor DeWees announced a break.
 At 8:45 P.M., the meeting reconvened with all Councilmembers present.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- CITY 6. **Medicinal Marijuana Dispensaries in the City of Lompoc.**

City Administrator Gary Keefe presented the staff report and recommendations.

Public Comment: None

Councilmember Siminski commented on other cities that have prohibited the operation of medicinal marijuana dispensaries in their jurisdictions.

Police Chief Dabney spoke in support of prohibiting the operation of medicinal marijuana dispensaries within the City of Lompoc.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Siminski/Holmdahl. By a unanimous vote the City Council approved prohibiting the operation of medicinal marijuana dispensaries within the City by waiving further reading and introducing Ordinance No. 1540(07), prohibiting medicinal marijuana dispensaries and unlawful activities within the City.

NEW BUSINESS:

- CITY 7. **The State of California Fish and Game Commission Proposal to Establish a State Marine Reserve in the Waters off Vandenberg Air Force Base.**

Senior Environmental Coordinator Stacy Lawson presented the staff report and recommendations.

Council suggested that the letter be copies to various officials.

Public Comment: None

ACTION: Motion/Second: Holmdahl/Ruhge. By a unanimous vote the City Council directed Staff to submit the letter to the State of California Department of Fish and Game, and copies sent to various officials.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REQUESTS, COMMENTS, AND MEETING REPORTS:

Council/Agency Member Schuyler announced a meeting he will be attending.

Council/Agency Member Siminski announced a meeting he attended and a meeting he will be attending.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 9:15 P.M., Mayor/Chair DeWees adjourned the meeting to an Adjourned Regular Meeting Workshop with Lompoc Housing and Community Development Corporation (LHCDC) representatives regarding the Lompoc Theater Project Financing at 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 6, 2007, followed by the Regular Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

Dick DeWees, Mayor
City of Lompoc

ATTEST:

Donna N. Terrones, City Clerk
Date: February 23, 2007