

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
Lompoc City Council  
**Tuesday, February 15, 2005**  
**City Hall/100 Civic Center Plaza**  
**Council Chambers**

**CLOSED SESSION – 6:30 P.M. – 7:05 P.M. – Utility Conference Room**

Councilmembers Present: DeWayne Holmdahl, Janice Keller, Will Schuyler, Michael Siminski, and Mayor Dick DeWees.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

**BUSINESS ITEM:**

In accordance with Government Code Section 54956.9(a), the City Council met with the City Attorney, Assistant City Attorney, and Craig S. Granet, Esq. Regarding Pierce et al. v. Santa Barbara County Association of Governments et al., Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. 1157590.

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

Councilmembers Present: DeWayne Holmdahl, Janice Keller, Will Schuyler, Michael Siminski, and Mayor Dick DeWees.

Staff Participants: City Administrator Gary Keefe, City Attorney Sharon Stuart, and City Clerk Jane Green.

Other Participants: Ralph Harman, David Pierce, and Jeff Wynne.

Jerry Morris gave the invocation and Mayor Dick DeWees led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**STAFF REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

City Administrator Gary Keefe proposed that the Mayor sign a letter to the League of California Cities expressing support for the continuation of the League's Youth Program as was requested by Councilmember Schuyler on February 1, 2005. He announced TAP TV has tentatively scheduled a ribbon cutting for the new PEG Studio for Friday, February 25, 2005 at 5:00 P.M.

**COUNCIL REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Councilmember Holmdahl inquired if the City inspects the inside of the taxicabs, which had been reported to him to be dirty; suggested that the vacant lots should be cleared of weeds twice due to the heavy rains; and asked if the flower vendors on the street corners had paid for a business tax. He reported on the APPA Public Power Conference and meetings with federal legislators held in Washington D.C.

Councilmember Siminski noted the City's policy is to encourage City staff to participate in trade organizations, congratulated Chief of Police Bill Brown on his installation as President of the California Chief of Police Association, and for the recognition he received from his peers.

Councilmember Schuyler congratulated Paul Ladwig for receiving the Boy Scout's highest award for adult leaders (Silver Beaver Award), and Deisel and Jean Tykeson on their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. He suggested City Staff give a brief presentation for the public on the regulations prohibiting living in a trailer or motor home on private property or City streets.

Councilmember Keller asked that when the Staff returns with the in-lieu housing fee program that consideration should be given to revising the in-lieu fees in view of the current housing market. She advised she would vote NO on Consent Calendar Item 5 pertaining to Compensation Plan for Management, Supervisory, Confidential and Unrepresented employees because there is a wide range of employees and salary levels in those groups and Council cannot look at individual positions.

## ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Ralph Harman expressed concern that according to a Lompoc Record article, improvements to the security at the Fire Stations would not be addressed in the current budget. He urged Council to implement the improvements as soon as possible and use the reserve funds if necessary.

Mayor DeWees responded that the City is working on implementing the security improvements before the next budget.

Dave Pierce commended the TAP-TV staff for the producers and volunteers orientation held at the Public, Education, and Government (PEG) Studio last week.

Jeff Wynne stated that on September 7, 2004, the City Council recommended that the membership and workshop fee for PEG volunteers should be waived in hardship cases. However, he said that PEG Executive Director Bryan Miller had indicated that the City Council was not in favor of the hardship waiver clause. He urged the Council to extend this policy so that more volunteers would participate.

City Administrator Gary Keefe stated that the Council had proposed that persons with a hardship request could volunteer extra time in lieu of paying the fee, however, the TAP TV Board will address this when they meet.

## CONSENT CALENDAR:

*ACTION:* Motion/Second: Holmdahl/Siminski. By a unanimous vote, except as noted under Item 5, the City Council:

1. Approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Budget Workshops of January 19 and 22, 2005, and Regular Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2005.
2. Approved expenditures for:  
  
Payroll of 1/28/05 - \$1,035,683.91  
Voucher Register of 2/4/05 - \$569,671.44  
Voucher Register of 1/28/05 - \$722,582.08  
Manual Checks for 12/1/04 to 12/31/04 - \$4,000.00  
*(Councilmember Schuyler did not vote on Check #248530 for Schuyler Mower and Offroad in the amount of \$33.88.)*
3. Adopted Ordinance No. 1505(05) Amending Sections 0206 and 0207 of the Lompoc City Code Delegating to the City Administrator the Power to Appoint the City Treasurer, to be effective March 18, 2005.
4. Approved the Memorandum of Understanding for the period of December 25, 2004 through December 22, 2006, between the Employees Represented by Lompoc Teamsters Union Local 381 and the City of Lompoc.
5. Adopted Resolution No. 5228(05) Approving Revised Compensation Plan for Management, Supervisory, and Confidential Employees and Revised Compensation Plan for Unrepresented Employees. *(Councilmember Keller voted **NO**).*
6. Awarded to Boyle Engineering the Contract CS05-W-1 for Design of Treated Water Booster Pump Station and Power Building at the Water Treatment Plant and authorized the Mayor to execute the Agreement in an amount not-to-exceed \$372,371, and charge this expense to Water Account #51200-79587.
7. Accepted Project FY-01-S-3A, Traffic Signals Improvements – “Central Avenue and V Street,” as complete and instructed the City Clerk to file the required Notice of Completion.

**CONSENT CALENDAR** (Cont'd)

8. Authorized the City Administrator to sign the Amendment to the existing Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Catholic Charities to increase the current funding level from \$40,000 to \$80,000 under the Mobilehome/Emergency Repair Grant Program (M/ERG).
9. Adopted Resolution No. 5227(05) Approving the Form of and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Purchase and Sale Agreement and Related Documents with respect to the Sale of the City of Lompoc's Vehicle License Fee Receivable from the State; and Directing and Authorizing Certain Other Actions in Connection Therewith. Resolution No. 5227(05) will allow the City to sell its VLF Receivable to California Statewide Communities Development Authority ("CSCDA") for approximately \$657,648, which represents 92% of the \$714,835 VLF Receivable owed to the City.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

**COUNCIL REQUESTS AND COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Holmdahl said his son has reported to service in Baghdad, Iraq and also congratulated his son and wife who are expecting a baby.

Councilmember Siminski advised he would be attending a California Municipal Utilities Association meeting in Sacramento on February 17, 2005 and the following week will attend the regular Northern California Power Agency meeting in Roseville.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:31 P.M., the Mayor adjourned the meeting to a Closed Session at 6:30 P.M. followed by the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, at 7:00 P.M. on March 1, 2005.

**CLOSED SESSION - City Administrator's Office – 7:35 P.M. to 9:40 P.M.**

In accordance with Government Code Section 54956.9(b), the City Council met with the City Attorney, Assistant City Attorney and the Planning Commission regarding pending litigation. City Administrator Gary Keefe, Community Development Director Arleen Pelster, and City Planner Lucille Breese were also present.

Dick DeWees, Mayor  
City of Lompoc

ATTEST:

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Jane C. Green, CMC  
City Clerk  
Dated: February 16, 2005