



Minutes
City Council Special Meeting
Thursday December 6, 2018 – 6:30PM
100 Civic Center Plaza, Lompoc, CA

Council Members Present: Victor Vega, James Mosby, Dirk Starbuck, Mayor Pro Tempore Jenelle Osborne, and Mayor Bob Lingl.

Staff Present: City Manager Jim Throop, City Clerk Stacey Haddon, and Assistant City Attorney Jeff Malawy.

Others Present: Janet Blevins, DeWayne Holmdahl, Al Thompson, Lorraine Waldau, Josef Asher, Molly Gerald, Darrell Tullis, Kathy Howard, Terry Doutney, and Charlotte Reynolds.

Mayor Bob Lingl led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Motion/Second: Vega/Osborne. By a 5-0 vote Council:

1. **Review of the Need for Continuing the Local Emergency Proclaimed by the City Council on October 2, 2018, Relating to the Clean-up of the Santa Ynez Riverbed.**

Reviewed, received and filed, this staff report regarding the need for continuing the local emergency proclaimed by the City Council on October 2, 2018, relating to the clean-up of the Santa Ynez riverbed.

2. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6230(18) Declaring the Results of the Consolidated General Election Held in Lompoc November 6, 2018.**

Adopted Resolution No. 6230(18), which recites the facts and declares the results of the Consolidated General Election held on November 6, 2018, as provided by the County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor and Registrar of Voters Certification of Election Results of the Official Canvass.

PRESENTATION: Council Member Osborne presented a plaque to outgoing Mayor Bob Lingl in recognition of his service to the City of Lompoc.

ELECTION PRESENTATION:

3. **Presentation of Certificates of Election, Administration of The Oaths of Allegiance, and Seating of Newly Elected Mayor and Council Members.**

City Clerk Stacey Haddon presented the Certificates of Election and administered the Oaths of Office to newly elected Council Members Dirk Starbuck and Victor Vega and Mayor Jenelle Osborne.

Mayor Jenelle Osborne officially reconvened the Council Meeting and City Clerk Stacey Haddon called roll.

Council Members Present: Victor Vega, James Mosby, Dirk Starbuck, and Mayor Jenelle Osborne.

NEW BUSINESS:

4. **Council Discussion and Possible Action on Process to Fill the Mid-Term Council Vacancy.**

Assistant City Attorney Jeff Malawy presented the Staff report and Staff recommendations.

Public Comment:

1. Janet Blevins, DeWayne Holmdahl, Lorrain Waldau, Molly Gerald, Kathy Howard, Terry Doutney, Joe Asher, Darrell Tullis, and Charlotte Reynolds asked Council not to hold a special election to fill the Council vacancy; suggested all Council discussions and decisions be done openly and with transparency; and to hold the appointment in January 2019 to help encourage all members of the community to participate in the process.
2. Al Thompson thanked Council for the opportunity to speak on this matter and be part of the process.

Council thanked Staff for the work presented, thanked the audience for their suggestions and for being at the meeting to participate in this matter, and then discussed the matter in depth.

Following the discussion, Council Member Starbuck made a motioned the Council vacancy be filled by an appointment process and not special election, with the following timeline:

1. December 7 to December 11, 2018 – Council members create one question each, which would then be reviewed by City Attorney to ensure appropriate language, etc.
2. December 12 to December 14, 2018 – Staff creates and finishes the proposed application form
3. December 18, 2018 – Council to approve the application form at the December 18, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting. Application will be placed on the City's website, with printed copies made available at Lompoc City Hall and Public Library.
4. December 18 to January 2, 2019 – open period for public to submit applications.
5. January 2, 2019 - All applications need to be dropped off/received via mail (postmarked), by December 31, 2018.
6. January 4, 2019 – Council will receive copies of all submitted applications.
7. January 8, 2019 – Council to hold a Special Council Meeting to interview candidates and make selection and possible appointment.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Osborne and passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote of the entire City Council.

Council discussed the voting process to be used by Council for appointing to Council from the applications that will be received. Mayor Osborne moved to direct Staff to bring a Staff report to Council at the December 18, 2018 Regular Council Meeting with examples of voting processes and a proposed application to fill the current City Council vacancy. The motion was seconded by Council Member Vega and passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote of the entire City Council.

ADJOURNMENT: At 7:40 P.M. Mayor Osborne adjourned the Lompoc City Council to a Regular Meeting on December 18, 2018 at 6:30 P.M., in City of Lompoc Council Chamber.

Respectfully, submitted for Council review on February 12, 2019 by: _____
Stacey Haddon, City Clerk