



MINUTES

**Regular Meeting of the Lompoc City Council
Tuesday, November 19, 2019
City Hall, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Council Chamber**

CLOSED SESSION

OPEN SESSION – 5:45 P.M. – Council Chamber

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

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

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

CLOSED SESSION – City Council Conference Room

BUSINESS ITEM:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS:** City Designated Representatives: Management Services Director Dean Albro, Financial Services Manager Melinda Wall, Human Resources Manager Gabriel Garcia, Assistant City Attorney Colin Tanner, City Attorney Jeff Malawy and City Manager Jim Throop. Employee Organizations: Lompoc Police Officer's Association,
2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:** Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4): One matter.

OPEN SESSION - 6:30 P.M. – Council Chamber

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

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

Others Present: Deb Andrews, John Linn, Will Schuyler, Nicholas Gonzales, Maria Aguiniga, Tim Smith, and Mary Ellen Brooks.

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION:

City Attorney Jeff Malawy stated the Council discussed both Closed Session business items, with no reportable action taken.

Mayor Jenelle Osborne led the **Pledge of Allegiance** and presented a proclamation for **Small Business Saturday, November 30, 2019**.

CITY MANAGER REPORT: (Information only)

- **List of City expenditures**
 - October 14 - 18, 2019 - \$693,740.53
 - October 21 – 25, 2019 - \$378,200.04
 - Payroll October 18, 2019 - \$1,434,825.64

City Manager Jim Throop announced the demolition of the Old Municipal Pool will begin this very week and the City has setup three cameras with separate viewing locations that allow the public to watch the demolition in real time; the City has begun to install new security cameras throughout the City; the Change of Command Ceremony at Vandenberg Air Force Base will be held on November 20, 2019, on the Base, and the City's annual Turkey Trot 3K Run/Walk will be held at River Park on November 24, 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS (Max of 3 Minutes):

1. John Linn suggested Consent Calendar Item No. 1 be continued to a later date for better clarification.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

1. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6291(19) Related to Lease with Option to Purchase Financing**

Adopted Resolution No. 6291(19) authorizing the City Manager and Management Services Director to execute the necessary agreements with City National Bank to finance replacement vehicle scheduled for replacement during Fiscal Years (FYs) 2019-2021 with various terms up to 10 years for a total amount up to \$5,140,000.

STAFF PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (3 Minutes Maximum):

1. Deb Andrews expressed concern about totalitarianism in government.

NEW BUSINESS:

2. **City Council Direction Whether to Have the City Attorney's Office Lead the City's Efforts for Processing the Bailey Avenue Sphere of Influence and Annexations Application Through the Local Agency Formation Commission and How Those Services Will Be Financed**

City Manager Jim Throop presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Council Member Mosby asked for confirmation the applicants will be responsible for paying the attorney fees for this annexation process. City Manager Jim Throop answered yes, the applicant is responsible for the fees for the annexation process, and this would include attorney fees.

Marc Annotti, representative of one of the applicants, stated he believes a successful annexation of this property will be good for the City of Lompoc, and he welcomes the extra work force the City Attorney's Office will bring to this matter.

Council discussed this matter at great length. City Attorney Jeff Malawy clarified the contract between the City and Alshire & Wynder, which is the firm the City uses for attorney services, states a higher fee is assessed by the City Attorney's Office when fees are reimbursed by an applicant.

Public Comment:

1. Tim Smith, Nicholas Gonzales, Will Schuyler, and John Linn, spoke in favor of the City Attorney's Office becoming the lead for this annexation process and how a successful annexation would be helpful to the growth and prosperity of the City.
2. Mary Ellen Brooks expressed her concerns about agricultural land being lost to commercial development.
3. Maria Aguiniga stated her concern about the agricultural industry and other organizations outside the City of Lompoc, actively working to prevent Lompoc from expanding and growing successfully.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Mayor Osborne/Cordova. By a 5-0 vote, Council directed the City Attorney's Office to take the lead on completing the Bailey Avenue Sphere of Influence and Annexation (Bailey SOI/Annexation) process through the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), and the project proponents to pay any or all of the City's costs related to those services.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (2 Minutes Maximum):

1. Nicholas Gonzales stated he is in favor of Council bringing forward a review of impact fees.
2. Will Schuyler commended City Staff for their quick response and repair of a street light not working properly and the street sweeping that he noticed recently.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND MEETING REPORTS:

Council Member Mosby reported he attended a Santa Barbara County Association of Governments Meeting; asked for a clarification if deposits the City received from the Commercial Cannabis Use License Applications will be refunded in any way to those applicants; and stated he does not agree with the City Council Ad-hoc Committee's supporting argument for the upcoming Measure I2020 tax measure, but does support the measure itself.

Council Member Vega requested an amendment to his previous request for the City Clerk position and the Treasurer position be appointed by the City Council, also include the Police Chief and the Fire Chief be appointed by the City Council. The amendment was seconded by Council Member Mosby, but died for a lack of a third vote. Council Member Vega also requested a personnel review of the City Manager be placed on a future City Council Agenda; and wants a report brought forward to Council for discussion of how the City could prevent or remove individuals who live or camp out at City-owned bus stop facilities, this request was seconded by Council Member Starbuck, and carried by Council Member Mosby. City Attorney Jeff Malawy stated the annual personnel review for the City Manager will be brought to Council in January.

Council Member Cordova stated she attended the City of Lompoc November Planning Commission and the City of Lompoc November Parks & Recreation Commission meetings.

Mayor Osborne reported she attended several meetings and events, including the Toys for Tots kick-off event, the Community Action Commission meeting, the Veteran's Day Event at the Lompoc Museum, the Lompoc Chamber of Commerce Mixer at the Lompoc Public Library, the City of Lompoc Utility Commission Meeting, and the State of Cannabis conference in Long Beach, CA.

ADJOURNMENT: At 7:52 P.M. Mayor Osborne adjourned the Lompoc City Council to a Regular Meeting on December 3, 2019 at 6:30 P.M., in City of Lompoc Council Chamber.

Respectfully, submitted to Council for review on December 31, 2019 by: /Stacey Haddon/
Stacey Haddon, City Clerk