



MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Lompoc City Council
Tuesday, July 21, 2020
City Hall, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Council Chamber

THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA HAS DETERMINED THAT IN-PERSON PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AT A CITY COUNCIL MEETING IS A PROHIBITED GATHERING IN VIOLATION OF COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER ORDER 2020-12.5, EFFECTIVE JULY 14, 2020. THEREFORE:

THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER WILL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, the City Council is authorized to close the City Council chamber to the public and to make meetings accessible telephonically or electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the City Council. All Brown Act provisions that require the physical presence of the public for City Council meetings are waived.

The City Council meeting will be broadcast live on Comcast Channel 23 and the radio at KPEG 100.9 FM, and livestreamed on the internet at www.cityoflompop.com (Click the "City Council" button, and then "View City Council Meeting Live Webcast").

If you wish to make a comment during oral communications or on a specific agenda item, you may call (805) 875-8201 before the close of public comment on the agenda item. You will be provided 3 minutes to give your public comment.

Alternatively, you may submit comments via email to s_haddon@ci.lompoc.ca.us not later than 4:00pm on Tuesday, July 21, 2020.

CLOSED SESSION

OPEN SESSION – 6:15 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 – Council Chamber

BUSINESS ITEM:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS:** City Designated Representatives: Gabriel Garcia, Dean Albro, and Jim Throop. Employee Organization: International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 1245 (IBEW)

OPEN SESSION - 6:38 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, City Attorney Jeff Malawy, Electric Utility Manager Tikan Singh, and Community Development Manager Chanel Ovalle.

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION:

City Attorney Jeff Malawy stated no reportable action was taken during the Closed Session.

Mayor Jenelle Osborne led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

CITY MANAGER REPORT:

- **List of City expenditures**
 - June 22 – 26, 2020 - \$533,518.33
 - June 29 – July 3, 2020 - \$613,411.08
 - July 6 – 10, 2020 - \$715,912.26
 - Payroll June 26, 2020 - \$1,545,360.55
 - Payroll July 10, 2020 - \$1,460,832.17
- **Discussion and Ratification of Emergency Proclamation Temporarily Suspending City Regulations that would Prohibit Outdoor Operation of City Businesses during the COVID-19 Pandemic.**

ACTION: Motion/Second: Mayor Osborne/Cordova. By a 5-0 vote, Council ratified Director of Emergency Services Proclamation No. 4, which will temporarily suspend City regulations that would prohibit outdoor operation of City businesses.

- **Update on the City of Lompoc Utility Rebate Program on the Building Permit for the Installation of Electric Generators.**

Electric Utility Manager Tikan Singh reported the City provided waivers for the five building permits processed for the installation of electric generators; and stated the waivers will continue the rebate program with the limit of the rebate to be set to a maximum of \$200.00 per permit as approved by the Utility Commission.

- **Discussion of Possible Cancellation of Commission, Committee, and Board Meetings, With the Exception of the Planning Commission**

ACTION: Motion/Second: Mayor Osborne/Vega. By a 5-0 vote, Council approved the cancellation of all City Commission, Committee, and Board Meetings for the month of September 2020 and to bring back this item for review at the October 6, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS (Max of 3 Minutes): None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Council Member Mosby requested Staff amend the May 19, 2020 minutes to reflect Council Member Vega attended the Open Session of that meeting.

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

1. Approved the Minutes of the Lompoc City Council Regular Meeting of May 19, 2020, with the role call revised to show Council Member Vega attended the Open Session of the Meeting.
2. **Approval of Revised City Council Meeting Dates for 2020.**

Approved the Revised Regular City Council Meeting dates for the 2020 Calendar Year.
3. **Adoption of Resolution No. ~~6350(20)~~ 6353(20), Ordering the Levy of Special Taxes for Fiscal Year 2020-21 Within Community Facilities District No. 2018-01 (Summit View Homes)**

Adopted Resolution No. ~~6350(20)~~ 6353(20), ordering the levy of special taxes for fiscal year 2020-21 within Community Facilities District No. 2018-01 (Summit View Homes).

STAFF PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS:

Utilities Department Personnel to present:

- Wildfire Mitigation Plan Independent Evaluation Report

Electric Utility Manager Tikan Singh briefly spoke about the Evaluation Report, and introduced Andrew Dressler from Guidehouse who presented the Wildfire Mitigation Plan.

- City of Lompoc’s Customer Notification Plan for PG&E’s Public Safety Power Shutoff Program

Electric Utility Manager Tikan Singh presented the information.

Council Member Mosby asked if any City facilities are setup to become triage centers if there is a long term Public Safety Power Shutoff. City Manager James Throop answered there are none at this time.

Mayor Osborne asked if this Plan information can be provided to the City Staff who answer the COVID information phone lines, and asked Fire Chief Kuras to contact Lompoc Valley Medical Center and the Citizens Emergency Response Team (CERT) and confirm if a plan for a local triage center has been started.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (3 Minutes Maximum): via phone

1. Kenny Agbodike requested Council allow the non-profits who are selling Safe & Sane fireworks in 2020, to keep a higher percentage of the sales this selling year because there will be no City fireworks show in 2020.
2. (Name unknown), asked for Council to update the Fireworks Ordinance at a future meeting and to include a task force, code enforcement with citations.
3. (Name unknown), expressed their resentment to having the City Council Meetings closed to the public and suggested holding future meetings in an open area such as the parking lot at City Hall.

APPOINTMENTS:

4. **Designation of Voting Delegate and Alternate for League of California Cities Annual Conference.**

ACTION: Motion/Second: Vega/Mosby. By a 5-0 vote, Council appointed Council Member Vega as the Voting Delegate for the League of California Cities Annual Conference.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Mayor Osborne/Cordova. By a 5-0 vote, Council appointed Mayor Osborne as the Alternate Voting Delegate for the League of California Cities Annual Conference.

5. **Council Appointment to the Youth Commission.**

ACTION: Motion/Second: Starbuck/Cordova. By a 5-0 vote, Council appointed Madeline Gravitt to an Adult Term on the Youth Commission with a term ending January 2022; and Isabella Morales to a Youth Position on the Youth Commission with a term ending January 2022.

PUBLIC HEARING:

6. **Approval of the 2020-2024 Draft Consolidated Plan and Adoption of Resolution No. 6351(20) Approving the Consolidated Plan and Submission of the Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**

Community Development Program Manager Chanel Ovalle presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Public Comment:

1. Nicholas Gonzales suggested Council address the affordable housing shortage in the local area by enacting a policy that helps property owners to build accessory dwelling units; and to use the Opportunity Zones in Lompoc more.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Starbuck/Vega. By a 5-0 vote, Council held a public hearing; adopted Resolution No. 6351(20), approving 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan (which includes the City Council Approved Fiscal Year 2020-21 Action Plan); authorized the City Manager, or designee, to sign any required agreements or certifications; and authorized submission of the approved 2020-2024 Lompoc Consolidated Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development at the conclusion of the 7-business day public comment period (July 21, 2020).

NEW BUSINESS:

7. **Request from Channel Islands YMCA for Financial relief, to Waive Rent During COVID-19 Pandemic.**

Council Member Starbuck recused himself citing he owns real property within 500 feet of this building, and exited the Council Chamber.

Council Member Cordova disclosed she is current Member of the Channel Islands YMCA Lompoc Board.

Regional Executive Director of Channel Islands YMCA Lompoc Branch spoke to Council, via phone, and asked Council to revise the current property lease agreement between the City of Lompoc and Channel Islands YMCA to \$1.00 per year for the property located 201 West College Avenue, Lompoc, CA.

Public Comment:

1. Bruce (unknown last name), and Lucy Thoms Herrington, current members of the Channel Islands YMCA Lompoc Board, requested Council consider the request to reduce the property lease to \$1.00 per year.

Council discussed the matter.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Mayor Osborne/Cordova. By a 5-0 vote, Council waived the obligation of Channel Islands YMCA to pay rent under its lease of City property located at 201 West College Avenue, beginning with rent owed for the month of April 2020 and continuing through December 2020, or until the Federal, State, County, and City states of emergency are terminated if that occurs before December 2020, at which time the obligation to pay rent will be automatically reinstated without a duty to pay back-rent; and directed Staff to return at a future meeting with a revised lease agreement and possible refund from the City to the YMCA for landscape maintenance at the Lompoc property beginning with April 2020.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (2 Minutes Maximum): None

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND MEETING REPORTS:

Council Member Mosby stated Staff will provide a report to Council regarding fireworks in the near future; and provided a copy of California Government Code Section 65103 and Section 65401 and a copy of the City of Lompoc 2003 Impact Fee Study.

Council Member Starbuck thanked the Lompoc Police Department for their continued work and thanked everyone involved in the cleanup at the skate park.

Council Member Vega stated he is in favor of revisions to the fireworks ordinance that would allow for more citations

Mayor Osborne reported she attended the virtual REACH 2030 Plan Meeting, the Community Action Commission Meeting and the Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting; announced there will be a planned electrical outage July 22, 2020, beginning at 8am and lasting approximately 3 hours affecting 617 – 627 University and 2-14 Santa Clara; the Santa Barbara County Workforce Development Board with Goodwill Industries has setup a Summer Training & Employment Program for Students (STEPS) for youth between the ages of 16-21 and Youth Career Services (YCS) for youth between the ages of 14-24, you can call (805) 736-6700 for information; public comment regarding the proposed Resource Conservation and Recovery Act permit renewal will be accepted through September 29, 2020 and can be emailed to mike.eshaghian@dtsc.ca.gov ; the County of Santa Barbara has provided an update on enhanced compliance and enforcement efforts regarding COVID-19 which can be found at recoveryabc.org.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:16 P.M., Mayor Osborne adjourned the Lompoc City Council to a Regular Meeting on August 4, 2020 at 6:30 P.M., in City of Lompoc Council Chamber.

Approved by Council Action on October 6, 2020:

Stacey Haddon
Stacey Haddon, City Clerk