



**MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting of the Lompoc City Council  
Tuesday, October 19, 2021  
City Hall, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Council Chamber**

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**OPEN SESSION – 6:10 P.M. – Council Chamber**

**Council Members Present:** Victor Vega, Dirk Starbuck, Jeremy Ball, and Gilda Cordova.

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

**CLOSED SESSION – City Council Conference Room**

**BUSINESS ITEM:**

- 1. THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES:** Consultation with: C.J. Berry, Utility Director; Jim Throop, City Manager; Jeff Malawy, City Attorney; and Matt McDonald, Electric Utility Manager.

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

**Council Members Present:** Victor Vega, Dirk Starbuck, Jeremy Ball, and Mayor Jenelle Osborne.

**Staff Present:** City Manager Jim Throop, City Clerk Stacey Haddon, City Attorney Jeff Malawy, Management Services Director Dean Albro, Electric Utility Manager Matthew MacDonald, and Utility Director Charles Berry.

**Others Present:** William Babcock, Deb Andrews, Steve Bridge, and Rick Coop.

**REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION:**

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

Chaplain Keith McLellan gave the invocation and Mayor Pro-Tempore Victor Vega led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

**CITY MANAGER REPORT:** (Information only)

- **List of City expenditures**
  - September 13 - 17, 2021 - \$3,296,005.18
  - September 20 – 24, 2021 - \$2,994,065.19
  - Payroll September 17, 2021 - \$1,726,457.27

City Manager Jim Throop reported the City is working to fill several vacancies in the Electric Division with the hiring of two new apprentices and an offer letter sent to fill a lineman position; he thanked all who volunteered for the Military Appreciation Day event held out at the Vandenberg Space Force Base; reminded everyone of the upcoming Make a Difference Day on October 23, 2021 and to contact the City’s Recreation Division at (805) 875-8100 to register to volunteer; and announced the City is continuing to recruit for lifeguards and is offering lifeguard training.

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

Council Member Starbuck pulled Consent Item No. 6 for discussion.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**ACTION:** Motion/Second: Starbuck/Ball By a 4-0-1 vote (Mayor Osborne was absent), Council:

1. Approved the Minutes of the Lompoc City Council Regular Meeting of October 5, 2021
2. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6459(21), Approving Application for State of California Rural Recreation and Tourism Grant Program Funds for the College Park Project.**

Adopted Resolution No. 6459(21), approving application for the Rural Recreation and Tourism Program Grant Funds to be used for the College Park Project.

3. **Adoption of the City of Lompoc Electric Division Physical Security Plan.**

Adopted the first City of Lompoc Electric Division Physical Security Plan.

4. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6456(21), Declaring the Results of the Consolidated California Gubernatorial Recall Election Held in Lompoc on September 14, 2021.**

Adopted Resolution No. 6456(21), which recites the facts and declares the results of the California Gubernatorial Recall Election held in Lompoc September 14, 2021, as provided by the County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor and Registrar of Voters Certification of Election Results of the Official Canvass.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** (cont'd)

5. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6457(21), Suspending Collection of Measure Q Taxes on Cannabis Manufacturing and Distribution Businesses, With the Exception of the Current Flat Tax Amounts, Until April 1, 2022.**

Adopted Resolution No. 6457(21), suspending the collection of Measure Q taxes on cannabis manufacturing and distribution businesses, with the exception of the current flat tax amounts, until April 1, 2022.

This item was pulled for discussion

6. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6485(21), to Amend the City's Compensation and Classification Plans for Unrepresented Employees to Replace the Computer Graphics & Web Technician Job Classification and Compensation with the Print Coordinator & Technician Job Classification and Compensation.**

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS** (3 Minutes Maximum):

1. William Babcock spoke about the challenge he has encountered trying to secure an encroachment permit for his property on South H Street.
2. Deb Andrews expressed her concern for the rules and regulations regarding COVID-19.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

7. **Introduction of Ordinance No. 1685(21), for the Consideration of Planning Commission Recommendations Amending Chapter 17.324 of the Zoning Code (Inclusionary Housing) to allow Alternative Methods of Compliance for Projects in the Old Town Redevelopment Project, Amendment No. 2 Area (TA 20-03).**

Planning Manager Brian Halvorson presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Council discussed this matter briefly.

**Public Comment:**

1. Steve Bridge encouraged Council to vote no on this item, expressing his concern this would allow for economically unbalanced communities.
2. Rick Coop, representative of Williams Homes, thanked City Staff and Council for all their work on this matter and encouraged Council to vote yes.

Council continued to discuss this matter.

**ACTION:** Motion/Second: Cordova/Starbuck By a 3-1-1 vote (Council Member Ball voted No, and Mayor Osborne was absent), Council introduced, for first reading by title only with further reading waived, Ordinance No. 1685(21) amending Chapter 17.324 (Inclusionary Housing) to allow residential developments located inside the Old Town Redevelopment Project Amendment No. 2 area to meet inclusionary housing requirements with alternative methods of compliance considered by the review authority, including, but not limited to, payment of housing in-lieu fees and off-site construction of affordable unit.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** (cont'd)

6. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6485(21), to Amend the City's Compensation and Classification Plans for Unrepresented Employees to Replace the Computer Graphics & Web Technician Job Classification and Compensation with the Print Coordinator & Technician Job Classification and Compensation.**

Council Member Starbuck asked Staff to confirm this amendment is reflected in the current City Budget. Management Services Director Dean Albro explained this will be a cost savings to the Budget.

**ACTION:** Motion/Second: Starbuck/Ball By a 4-0-1 vote (Mayor Osborne was absent), Council approved the following actions:

- a) Reorganized the Management Services Department, Information Technology Division, and approve the reallocation of positions within the department's budget as follows:
  - i. Establishing a Print Coordinator & Technician job classification, position allocation, and salary;
  - ii. Deleting the Computer Graphics & Web Technician job classification, position allocation, and salary; and
  - iii. Adjust the department's budget accordingly; and
- b) Adopted Resolution No. 6458(21), which will:
  - i. Approve and adopt the Print Coordinator & Technician job classification;
  - ii. Amend the Compensation Plan for Unrepresented Employees to:
  - iii. Approve and adopt the salary for the Print Coordinator & Technician reallocations; and
  - iv. Delete the Computer Graphics & Web Technician job classification, position allocation, and salary; and
  - v. Approve and adopt the proposed reorganization, reallocation, and adjustment of funding allocations for the Management Services Department, Information Technology Division for the remaining Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22, and FY 2022-23 respectively;

Utility Director Charles Berry introduced newly hired Electric Utility Manager Matthew MacDonald. Council welcomed Mr. MacDonald.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (2 Minutes Maximum):** None

**COUNCIL COMMENTS AND MEETING REPORTS:**

Council Member Ball thanked everyone for participating and attending the meeting and expressed his concern about the increase in violence in the City and asked for the public to provide any information it can to the Police Department.

Council Member Vega also thanked the public for participating and thanked Staff for their continued work.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 7:29 P.M. Mayor Pro-Tempore Victor Vega adjourned the Lompoc City Council to a Regular Meeting on November 2, 2021 at 6:30 P.M., in City of Lompoc Council Chamber.

Respectfully, submitted to Council for review on October 28, 2021 by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stacey Haddon, City Clerk