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**Regular Meeting of the Lompoc City Council  
Tuesday, November 2, 2021  
City Hall, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Council Chamber**

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**CLOSED SESSION**

**OPEN SESSION – 6:00 P.M. – Council Chamber**

**Council Members Present:** Victor Vega, Dirk Starbuck, Gilda Cordova, Jeremy Ball, 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 LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:** Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2): One case.
2. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS:** City Designated Representatives: Dean Albro, Jim Throop, Gabriel Garcia, Jeff Malawy. Employee Organization: International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 1245 (IBEW)

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

**Council Members Present:** Victor Vega, Dirk Starbuck, Gilda Cordova, 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, Police Chief Joseph Mariani, and Fire Chief Alicia Welch.

**Others Present:** Deb Andrews, Alfonso Almodovar, Daniel Phillips, Steve Franck, Steve Bridge, and Louis Farah.

Pastor Jon McIntosh gave the invocation and Mayor Jenelle Osborne led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

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

City Attorney Jeff Malawy reported the Council discussed Closed Session Item No. 1, with no reportable action, Closed Session Item No. 2 was not discussed and will be brought back to Council at a future date.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

- Steve Franck of Pale Blue Dot Ventures, Inc. provided presentation on the status of the proposed space center that is proposed to be constructed adjacent to Ken Adam Park, Lompoc.
- Daniel Phillips, PhD of National Demographics Corporation gave a presentation on the 2020 Census Data and the City’s redistricting process.

Council thanked Mr. Phillips for the provided information and spoke about the possible changes that may be required to be in compliance with Federal and State voting rules and regulations.

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

- **List of City expenditures**

- September 27, 201 – October 1, 2021 - \$774,225.13
- October 4 – 8, 2021 - \$1,176,836.03
- Payroll October 1, 2021 - \$1,726,141.02

City Manager Jim Throop announced daylight savings will be ending this weekend and reminded everyone to turn back their clocks one hour on Sunday morning; and once again thanked all volunteers who helped make the 2021 Military Appreciation Day event held at Vandenberg Space Force Base, an amazing event, stating Sylvia King, organizer of the event, said she had not seen this many volunteers in all her time helping with this event.

- **Police Chief Joseph Mariani gave a Status Report on Law Enforcement inside the City of Lompoc and the County of Santa Barbara.**

Council thanked Chief Mariani for the information presented, and spoke in support of the work the Police Department continues to do to in our City; expressed compassion for all public safety personnel dealing with constant challenges with revised State Laws and coordination of services with outside agencies; and encouraged the public to work with the Police Department when possible.

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

1. Steve Bridge encouraged Council to vote no on Consent Calendar Item No. 2.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**ACTION:** Motion/Second: Starbuck/Cordova. By a 5-0 vote, Council:

1. Approved the Minutes of the Lompoc City Council Regular Meeting of October 19, 2021
2. **Adoption 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).**

Adopted 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.

3. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6460(21) Accepting Bequest from Mary Ellen C. Knapp Estate to the Lompoc Public Library**

Adopted Resolution No. 6460(21) accepting the bequest to the Lompoc Public Library from the Mary Ellen C. Knapp Estate and authorizing the City Manager to execute documents related thereto.

Coastal Vision, Inc., Board Member Batta Vujicic thanked Council and Staff for working cooperatively to help bring forward Consent Calendar Item No. 2.

At 7:44 P.M. Mayor Osborne invited everyone in the audience to step outside to the City Hall parking lot to tour the City's new fire engine.

**STAFF PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS:**

- Fire Chief Alicia Welch to provide a tour of new fire engine (in City Hall parking lot)

At 7:56 P.M. Mayor Osborne welcomed everyone back into the Council Chamber, and with all Council Members seated, returned to the Agenda.

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

1. Deb Andrews spoke in support of the Police Department and expressed her frustration with how California has lessened penalties for many crimes.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

4. **Authorization to Execute an Agreement with the Santa Barbara County Fire Protection District to Provide Dispatch Services via a Combined Regional Fire Communications Facility.**

Fire Chief Alicia Welch presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Council discussed this matter at great length.

Public Comment:

1. Louis Farah, Lompoc Fire Fighters Association President, spoke in favor of this matter and encouraged the Council to approve the agreement.
2. Deb Andrews spoke in opposition of the proposed agreement.

Council continued to discuss this matter.

**ACTION:** Motion/Second: Cordova/Mayor Osborne. By a 3-2 vote (Council Members Starbuck and Vega voted No), Council authorizes the City Manager to execute a five (5) year Cooperative Dispatch agreement with the Santa Barbara County (County) Fire Protection District to provide all fire and emergency medical services (EMS) dispatch with anticipated cost not to exceed \$350,000 annually.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (2 Minutes Maximum):**

1. Alfonso Almodovar read a bible verse.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS, AND MEETING REPORTS:**

Council Member Ball thanked all the volunteers who participated in **Make a Difference Day**; reminded all that Daylight Savings will end this weekend; and requested Staff to work on how to engage the City's Spanish speaking community more fully. The request was seconded by Mayor Osborne and carried by Council Member Cordova.

Mayor Osborne reported she attended several meetings and events, including the Northern California Power Agency (NCPA) Conference in Washington DC and the NCPA Commission Meeting held in Redding CA; as well as the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) and the Santa Barbara Air Pollution Control District (SB APCD) monthly meetings; she announced the closure of the aquaplay structure at the Lompoc Aquatic Center for repairs; the upcoming transit services meeting to be held on November 4, 2021 in the Council Chamber at Lompoc City Hall; and congratulated city employee Sue Slavens for being awarded the Senior Worker of the Year.

**CLOSED SESSION – 10:10 P.M.**

**Council Members Present:** Victor Vega, Dirk Starbuck, Gilda Cordova, Jeremy Ball, 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 REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS:** Government Code Section 54956.8. Property: approximately 82 acres including and adjacent to Ken Adam Park. City Negotiators: City Manager Jim Throop and City Attorney Jeff Malawy. Negotiating Parties: City of Lompoc, Pale Blue Dot Ventures, Inc. Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment.

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

City Attorney Jeff Malawy announced no reportable action was taken during the closed session.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 10:23 P.M. Mayor Osborne adjourned the Lompoc City Council to a Regular Meeting on November 16, 2021 at 6:30 P.M., in City of Lompoc Council Chamber.

Respectfully, submitted to Council for review on November 10, 2021 by: Stacey Haddon  
Stacey Haddon, City Clerk