



MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Lompoc City Council
Tuesday, March 21, 2023
City Hall, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Council Chamber

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CLOSED SESSION

OPEN SESSION – 6:15 P.M. – Council Chamber

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

Staff Present: City Manager Dean Albro, 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--EXISTING LITIGATION:**
Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1) *Dionne Espinoza, et al. v. City of Lompoc, et al.*, U.S. District Court, C.D. Cal., Case No. 2:21-CV-08563-TJH (AGR)

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

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

Staff Present: City Manager Dean Albro, City Clerk Stacey Haddon, and City Attorney Jeff Malawy.

Others Present: Deb Andrews, Paul Hill, Martin Bender, Leanne Woolver, Susan Hudspeth, and Monty Montgomery.

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION:

City Attorney Jeff Malawy stated Council provided direction to Staff but no reportable action was taken during the Closed Session.

Chaplin Keith McLellan gave an invocation and Mayor Jenelle Osborne led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

PRESENTATIONS:

- City Clerk Stacey Haddon led the Official Swearing-In Ceremony for Police Chief Kevin Martin

Mayor Osborne presented:

- A Proclamation in honor of Equal Pay Day
- A Proclamation in honor of Women’s History Month
- A Certificate of Appreciation to former Human Services Commissioner Kenny Agbodike; and
- Special Recognition to the Lompoc High School 2022-2023 Sports Teams who won the CIF Central Section Championship – Lompoc Girls Tennis – Lompoc Girls Soccer – Lompoc Girls Basketball – and Lompoc Boys Soccer

BREAK:

At 7:03.M. Mayor Osborne announced a break.
At 7:18 P.M., the meeting reconvened with all Council Members present.

CITY MANAGER REPORT: (Information only)

- **List of City expenditures**
 - February 13 – 17, 2023 - \$1,093,737.98
 - February 20 – 24, 2023 - \$4,816,594.87
 - Payroll February 17, 2023 - \$1,929,822.59

City Manager Dean Albro commended City Staff for the newly completed upgrades to Thompson Park and shared a short video.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Council Member Ball asked if Staff could briefly speak about Consent Calendar Item No. 3. Police Lieutenant Arias stated this is a partnership with the City and the Housing Authority for cameras which will record the rear of a vehicle to assist in crime deterrent and the recovery of stolen property.

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

1. Approved the Minutes of the Lompoc City Council Regular Meeting of January 17, 2023

2. **Acceptance of the 2022 General Plan Annual Report.**

Accepted the attached 2022 General Plan Annual Report and direct Staff to file the Annual Report with the Office of Planning and Research and the Department of Housing and Community Development.

3. **Partnership with Santa Barbara County Housing Authority for Installation and Maintenance of Flock Camera License Plate Readers; Approval of Service Agreement with Flock Group, Inc. for Installation and Use of License Plate Readers; Approval of Reimbursement Agreement with County Housing Authority to Reimburse City's Costs Under Service Agreement**

Approved the partnership between the Santa Barbara County Housing Authority and the City of Lompoc Police Department on the utilization of Flock Cameras throughout the City; approve the Lompoc Police Department as the custodian of the records for the Flock Cameras; approve the Flock Group Inc. service agreement; approved the reimbursement agreement by and between the City of Lompoc and the Housing Authority of the County of Santa Barbara; and authorized the City Manager to execute the agreements.

4. **Approval of First Amendment to Agreement for Operation of a County-Wide Library Agreement.**

Approved and authorized the City Manager to execute the First Amendment to Agreement for Operation of a County-Wide Library System between the County of Santa Barbara, and the cities of Lompoc, Santa Maria, Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria for the Fiscal Year 2022-23.

5. **Adoption of Special Provisions for Project No. FY-22-X-1, Fire Hydrant Replacement Project; Award Construction Contract to Tierra Contracting, Inc. and Authorize Signature by City Manager.**

Adopted the Special Provisions for Project No. FY-22-X-1, Fire Hydrant Replacement Project, as required by Section 22039 of the Public Contract Code (copies of Special Provisions are on file in the City Engineer's Office); award the Construction Contract in the amount of \$488,699 to Tierra Contracting, Inc.; authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the necessary agreements for that Contract; authorized the Water Superintendent, or designee, to approve additional construction costs and construction contract change orders in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

CONSENT CALENDAR: (cont'd)

6. Adoption of Resolution No. 6567(23) Assessing Costs of Nuisance Abatement at 1128 North A Street

Adopted Resolution No. 6567(23) assessing the costs of nuisance abatement at 1128 North A Street and directing the Santa Barbara County Tax Collector to collect the costs as a special municipal tax on the next round of property tax assessments.

STAFF PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS:

Planning Manager Brian Halvorson provided a presentation on the comments provided by the City Council AdHoc Committee on the 2030 General Plan.

Council thanked Staff for the information and briefly discussed the presentation.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (3 Minutes Maximum):

1. Deb Andrews spoke about the proposed federal economic reforms known as the National Economic Security and Recovery Act (NESARA), stating she believes this act will provide all citizens with sonic healing machines and will abolish national sales tax.
2. Paul Hill, Chair of the City of Lompoc Human Services Commission requested Council approve funding to the Human Services Commission for \$30,000 per each year of the upcoming 2023/2025 Biennial Budget.
3. Martin Bender expressed his concern about the current agreement the City has with Visit Lompoc and the tourist business improvement district.
4. Joey White asked the City to install a four-way stop at Cypress Avenue and L Street, and complained about the impact fees within the City.
5. Leanne Woolver recommended the Council become comfortable with the public scrutinizing and questioning the Council's business and personal lives.
6. Susan Hudspeth asked the Council to fix the many potholes throughout the City.
7. Monty Montgomery complained that he was not being provided support from the City in his efforts to bring events to the downtown area.

APPOINTMENTS:

7. Council Appointment to the City of Lompoc Human Services Commission and Planning Commission.

The Mayor stated the appointment to the Lompoc Human Services has been pulled from this agenda; and with a request from Council Member Cordova, the appointment to the Planning Commission be continued to the April 4, 2023 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

8. Reschedule and Notice a Public Hearing for June 6, 2023, for Proposed Solid Waste Rate Adjustments, in Accordance with Proposition 218.

Financial Services Manager Bob Cross presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Public Comment: None

ACTION: Motion/Second: Cordova/Starbuck. By a 5-0 vote, Council recalled the public hearing for the proposed Solid Waste Utility rate adjustments previously scheduled for April 18, 2023, reschedule that public hearing for June 6, 2023, and directed Staff to send notice in accordance with Proposition 218.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (2 Minutes Maximum):

1. (Name not Given) accused the City and Council Member Cordova of violating the political reform act regarding gifts and loans from Visit Lompoc.

COUNCIL COMMENTS, AND MEETING REPORTS:

Council Member Vega congratulated Police Chief Kevin Martin and all the Lompoc Unified School students who were honored at this evening's meeting and encouraged all citizens to participate in local government, which includes volunteering for City Boards, Commissions, and or Committees as well as attending Council meetings.

Mayor Osborne reported she attended several meetings and events, including the State of the Base; the American Public Power Association Legislative Rally in Washington DC on behalf of Lompoc and the Northern California Power Agency (NCPA) and the Association of Defense Communities (ADC) Conference on behalf of Lompoc as the base community for the Vandenberg Space Force Base; the monthly Opioid Project meeting; the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) monthly meetings; and the League of California Cities Transportation Public Works and Communications quarterly meeting. Mayor Osborne also announced the Parks and Recreation Division has begun holding adult drop-in volleyball at the Anderson Recreation Center beginning March 21, 2023 through October 24, 2023 each Tuesday 6pm-8pm and is also hosting its annual Easter Egg Hunt at River Park from 10am-12pm; the Teen TOTAL Conference hosted by the City's Youth Commission will be on March 24, 2023 at the DeWees Center from 9am-2pm and registration is free to all Lompoc Unified School District junior and high school students; the City's Draft Housing Element Update is available for review and can be found at www.envisionlompoc.com; the Lompoc Chamber of Commerce announced the Lompoc Old Town Market calendar has been finalized and will be each Friday evening on South H Street from July 7, 2023 – August 12, 2023; and requested Council provide the Council ad-hoc committee which is reviewing the City's commercial cannabis ordinance, a three month extension to provide a report to the Council not later than July 18, 2023. The request was seconded by Council Member Cordova and carried by Council Member Starbuck.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:10 P.M. Mayor Osborne adjourned the Lompoc City Council to a Regular Meeting on April 4, 2023 at 6:30 P.M., in City of Lompoc Council Chamber.

Approved by Council action on May 2, 2023:

/Stacey Haddon/
Stacey Haddon, City Clerk