

Minutes

City of Soledad Joint
City Council/Successor Agency
Regular Meeting

October 4, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ledesma called the City Council/Successor Agency Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The Following Councilmembers/Agencymembers were present when the meeting was called to order:

Mayor/Chair	Fred Ledesma
Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair	Alejandro Chavez
Councilmember/Agencymember	Christopher Bourke
Councilmember/Agencymember	Carla Stewart
Councilmember/Agencymember	Anna Velazquez

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- None

MEETING RECESS

Mayor Ledesma recessed to Closed Session at 5:31 p.m.

MEETING RECONVENED

Mayor Ledesma reconvened from Closed Session at approximately 6:05 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION REPORTS

1. The City Council will recess to closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a)(d)(1) to confer with its attorney regarding pending litigation which has been initiated formally and to which the City is a party: Claim of Lopez
2. The City Council will recess to closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 to give instructions to the City's negotiators concerning the sale/exchange/lease/donation of property located at APN: 257-111-022. Instructions to the negotiators will include terms of any proposed disposition of said property.

3. The City Council of the City of Soledad will recess to closed session to meet with its designated representatives regarding labor relations matters pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6. The employee organization is the Soledad Police Officers' Association (SPOA).

The City Attorney reported that with respect to item #1, the claim of Lopez, the Council gave direction to the Manager and the Attorney. No other reportable action taken

With respect to item #2, the Council provided instructions to its property negotiators regarding a land matter. No other reportable action was taken.

With respect to item #3, the City Council received a report from the City Manager. No other reportable action was taken.

PEACEBUILDERS' PLEDGE was led by Councilmember Chris Bourke

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Councilmember Carla Stewart

MOMENT OF SILENCE- A moment of silence was called by Mayor Ledesma in memory of the lives lost in the Las Vegas, NV, 91 Harvest Music Festival shooting.

ADDITIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

City Manager Michael McHatten requested the following modifications be made to the Agenda:

- Council was given Exhibit A related to item C-5.
- Council was given attachments to Items C-4 and B-2.
- Item B-3 will be added to the Agenda. This item is specific to Community Development Block Grant. Staff did not have all the information necessary when the agenda was posted on Friday, September 29, 2017

Council Action: To add the requested modification to the Agenda

Motion: Motion made by Councilmember Bourke, seconded by Councilmember Velazquez and carried by unanimous vote.

Ayes: Bourke, Ledesma, Chavez, Stewart and Velazquez
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

City Manager Michael McHatten asked for a brief recess for Council and members of the public to go look at the new Fire Engine parked outside of City Hall.

MEETING RECESS

Mayor Ledesma recessed for viewing of the new fire truck at 6:09 p.m.

MEETING RECONVENED

Mayor Ledesma reconvened from viewing of the new fire truck at 6:19 p.m.

MAYOR/COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS

- A Proclamation was presented by Mayor Ledesma and the Soledad City Council declaring October 15 to 21, 2017 as "Freedom from Workplace Bullies Week".
- A Proclamation was presented by Mayor Ledesma and the Soledad City Council Supporting Our Dreamers and the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Mr. Barry Groves asked the Council if there was a way to get an accurate population number for the City of Soledad, not including the prison population.

City Manager Michael McHatten explained to Mr. Groves how to get an accurate census population by subtracting the census population of the prison, found on the department of Corrections website from the census of the City.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor Ledesma reported that he and Suzanne Fox from ACCAPS did a presentation for the CalVIP Board which used to be called CalGRIP.
- He will be meeting with Assemblymember Anna Caballero on Friday, October 6th after the Mayor's meeting in King City to discuss further legislation that she may be able to push further for Cities with prisons.

COUNCILMEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

- Councilmember Bourke reported that he attended the swearing in of a new Police Officer on September 8th. On September 14th he attended the Planning Commission meeting. On September 16th he attended Mr. Shaw's Back to School event. On September 21st he attended the Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority meeting. On October 1st he attended the Immigration Forum at the YMCA.
- Councilmember Velazquez reported that on September 13th she attended the Citizens Advisory Committee, held at the Salinas Valley State Prison; she also attended the 4 Cities 4 Peace General Assembly meeting. On September 14th she attended the Planning Commission meeting. On September 28th she attended the Parks Coalition meeting. On

September 29th she attended the Coffee with a Cop event at Starbucks. On October 1st she attended the Immigration Forum at the YMCA. On October 3rd she attended a Special HR meeting with MST.

- Councilmember Stewart reported that on September 8th she attended an Oath of Office Ceremony for one of the new Police Officers. On September 13th she attended the Soledad School Board meeting. On September 16th she attended the Mission Shopping Center Back to School event. On September 24th the Greenfield Volunteer Fire Protection District held a fundraising BBQ that she attended. On September 28th she attended the Soledad Rotary meeting where City Manager Michael McHatten was the Guest Speaker. On September 29th she also attended Coffee with a Cop event at Starbucks. On September 29th she also attended the retirement celebration for Jorge Guzman. On October 1st she attended the Mission Fiesta BBQ.
- Mayor Pro Tem Chavez reported on September 27th he attended the TAMC meeting. On October 4th he attended the TAMC Executive meeting.

COUNCILMEMBER PRAISES

- Councilmember Bourke praised Chief Sills for the Police Department being almost fully staffed.
- Councilmember Velazquez praised City Manager Michael McHatten and the Public Works Department who assisted with the Soledad Team Leadership Group, Journey to Change. The group requested assistance from the City of Soledad to honor the victims of domestic violence for the month of October. They will be tying purple ribbons to honor victims.
- Councilmember Stewart praised City Manager Michael McHatten for his Rotary presentation. She praised the Soledad Police Department for the Coffee with a Cop event, it was definitely a success. She thanked Staff and the I.T. Department for the new ChromeBook. She also congratulated the South County Animal Rescue who just obtained their new 501(c)(3) status. She also thanked Chief Sills for the We Tip reward post for the hit and run that took place here in Soledad.
- Mayor Pro Tem Chavez praised the two new Councilmembers, Councilmember Velazquez and Councilmember Stewart, for their dedication and hard work and being out there in the community.
- Mayor Ledesma also praised the two new Councilmembers, Councilmember Velazquez and Councilmember Stewart, for their dedication and hard work and being out there in the community. He also praised the Water Treatment Plant Staff for being observant and quick thinking and for recognizing that there was a problem with our Staff member Mark Gunter. They saved his life. He also thanked Staff and the I.T. department for the new ChromeBook technology.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Action:

Mayor Pro Tem Chavez made a motion to adopt items C-1 through C-11 on the Consent Calendar, Motion was seconded by Councilmember Velazquez and carried by unanimous vote.

Motion:

Ayes: Chavez, Velazquez, Bourke, Stewart and Ledesma
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

- C-1 **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. Joint City Council/Successor Agency Regular Meeting Minutes of September 6, 2017
- C-2 **Approval of Warrants**
 - # 033877 - # 034088
- C-3 Resolution No. 5339, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Adopting Legal Holidays for Calendar Year 2018
- C-4 Resolution No. 5340, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Approving an Amendment to a Contract for Professional Services with EMC Planning Group, Inc., in the Amount of \$8,575 to Provide Additional Contract Planning Services for the Soledad Event Center Project
- C-5 Resolution No. 5341, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Declaring Surplus Equipment and Authorizing the Sale, Donation or Disposal of Such Property
- C-6 Consideration of a Minute Motion Appointing City Manager Michael McHatten of Soledad as the Primary Permanent Board Member and Steven Adams City Manager of King City as the Alternate Permanent Board Member of the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency
- C-7 Resolution No. 5342, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Amending the 2017-2018 Budget to Incorporate a List of Projects funded by SB1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act.

- C-8 Resolution No. 5343, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Approving a Tax Transfer Formula Between the City of Soledad and Monterey County Associated with the Miravale Phase II B Reorganization Involving Annexation of 46.23 Acres to the City of Soledad and Detachments From the Monterey County Resource Conservation District and the Mission Soledad Rural Fire Protection District
- C-9 Amendment to Administrative Procedure 4000-15, Financial Management of Federal Funds, Effective October 4, 2017
- C-10 Resolution No. 5344/SA-2017-02, a Joint Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad and the Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Soledad Authorizing the City Manager to Extend the Contract with Bryant L. Jolley, CPA, to Perform Annual Auditing Services for Three Years, at a Cost Not to Exceed \$124,500 for Three (3) Years
- C-11 Receive and Accept City of Soledad Monthly Department Activity Reports

PUBLIC HEARING

- Receive the Staff report
- Open the Public Hearing at 6:40 pm
- Closed the Public Hearing at 6:41 pm
- Council Action

Ordinance No. 713 of the City Council of the City of Soledad Amending Section 3.24.040-Bidding Required –Exceptions of Chapter 3.24-Purchasing System of Title 3 Revenues and Finances of the Soledad Municipal Code

City Attorney Mike Rodriguez presented the staff report

The Public Hearing was opened. There being no public comment, Mayor Ledesma closed the Public Hearing.

Council Action: To adopt Ordinance No. 713 by Second Reading and Title only

Motion: Motion made to adopt by Councilmember Bourke, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chavez and carried by unanimous vote:

Ayes: Bourke, Chavez, Velazquez, Stewart and Ledesma
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

BUSINESS

- B-1** Resolution No. 5345, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Approving a Task Order with Harris and Associates to Develop a Sanitary Sewer Master Plan and Capital Improvement Plan in the Amount of \$149,959 and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Said Task Order on Behalf of the City of Soledad

Representative Frank Lopez from Harris & Associates presented the Staff Report and was available for questions.

Council Action: To adopt Resolution No. 5345

Motion: Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Chavez, seconded by Councilmember Velazquez and carried by unanimous vote:

Ayes: Chavez, Velazquez, Bourke, Stewart and Ledesma
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

- B-2** Resolution No. 5346, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Authorizing and Approving Amendment #2 to the Contract for Professional Services with EMC Planning Group, Inc., in an Amount Not to Exceed \$123,000 for Extra Support to Provide Contract Planning Services for the Miramonte (Former Miravale III) Project

Community and Economic Development Director Brent Slama presented the staff report

Council Action: To adopt Resolution No. 5346

Motion: Motion made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Bourke and carried by unanimous vote:

Ayes: Stewart, Bourke, Chavez, Velazquez and Ledesma
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

- B-3** Resolution No. 5347, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Approving a Contract for Professional Services with MNS Engineers, Inc. in an Amount Not to Exceed \$94,930 to Provide Contract Grant Writing Services for the 2017 Community Development Block Grant Cycle

City Manager Michael McHatten presented the staff report

Council Action: To adopt Resolution No. 5347

Motion: Motion made by Councilmember Bourke, seconded Councilmember Velazquez and carried by unanimous vote:

Ayes: Bourke, Velazquez, Chavez, Stewart and Ledesma
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

COUNCILMEMBER'S COMMITTEE REPORTS

- None

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- Michael McHatten reported:
 1. He met with Assemblymember Anna Caballero's staff member Mr. Jonathon Hernandez to discuss a Satellite Office for Assemblymember Anna Caballero here in Soledad and she decided her satellite office will be at the CalFIRE office. Further arrangements are being made.
 2. He also noted that he met with Brigid Massie and Tim Vanoli from the School District regarding a joint meeting on November 2, 2017. Council will be contacted by Ms. Massie seeking input for the facilitation of the upcoming meeting.
 3. The City has finalized contract terms in regards to the website design and we are now moving forward with working on the website.
 4. As requested, staff compiled HR status reports, including recruitment status. The reports are located towards the end of the City Manager's report.
 5. Staff has prepared Request for Proposals (RFP) for the initiation of a Community Wide Facilities District. Contracting for proposals will require a budget amendment. Most importantly, "timing" is critical as staff is currently targeting the June Primary Elections as the consultant(s) feel that success rates are better than the November election.
 6. He had the honor of attending a presentation at the Seaside Middle School where a team of four students played the parts of Directors in City positions. He was able to present them with City pins and wind turbine memory keys.
 7. We have administratively approved contracts for Working Arts Marketing for the website design and Maury Treleven who is providing Project Management and Social Media Outreach.
 8. The City did a letter of Support for AB696 and Veto Letters to veto SB649.

COUNCILMEMBER'S ITEMS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Councilmember Stewart had four items:
 1. She was contacted by residents that were concerned by the amount of dust that is being generated with the Bryant Channel improvements. They stated that the dirt was not being wet down.
 2. There is trash by Foods Co. on the lot where the movie theatre is going. What is the timeline they have to respond to the notice stating that it needs to be cleaned up? Can a private party go clean up that trash?
 3. Privacy fencing around the police and fire departments.
 4. Can the 4 Cities 4 Peace Policing Grant schedule some community meetings to inform the communities and the City Council of their results of the survey given?

- Chris Bourke had one item:
 1. He would like to know what is the City's current plan of preparedness if a large earthquake hits?

- Councilmember Velazquez had two items:
 1. She would like an update on the Pinnacles Gateway Partnership.
 2. She asked if there was another extension that needed to be done for Ordinance No. 707 regarding Medical Marijuana.

- Mayor Ledesma had two items and one update:
 1. He would like the City to be open to the possibility of a partnership with Community Foundation.
 2. He would like the City to consider having a few tasting rooms here in the city of Soledad. He would like the Council to go on a field trip to a couple other cities with tasting rooms to get ideas on how to change the economic outlook for the City of Soledad.

He had a meeting with Frank Trevino from Public Works and they agreed that Public Works will plant in a test area for the wildflowers idea. If the test is successful the wildflowers will be planted along the entire side strip along Soledad.


ADJOURNMENT

Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Minutes Approved: November 1, 2017



FRED J. LEDESMA, Mayor/Chairman



MICHAEL MCHATTEN, City Clerk/Agency Secretary

