



Tuesday, April 8, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, Pico Rivera City Hall, 6615 Passons Boulevard, Pico Rivera, California.

Mayor Tercero called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on behalf of the City Council.

PRESENT: Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero

ABSENT: None

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Paul Gomez, Planning Commission

John Garcia, Parks & Recreation Commission

INVOCATION: Councilmember Archuleta

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Parks & Recreation Commissioner Garcia

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

- National Library Week - Proclamation

1ST PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Minutes:

- Approved City Council meeting of March 25, 2014

2. Approved 16th Warrant Register of the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year. (700)

Check Numbers: 261202-26414

Special Checks Numbers: None

3. Labor Agreements with Service Employees International Union Local 721 (SEIU) Hourly Bargaining Unit and SEIU Parks & Recreation Hourly Bargaining Unit. (500)

1. Approved agreement with SEIU – Hourly Bargaining Unit, effective July 1, 2013 to January 31, 2015; and
2. Approved agreement with SEIU – Parks and Recreation Hourly Bargaining Unit, effective July 1, 2012 to January 31, 2015.

Agreement No. 14-1466

Agreement No. 14-1467

4. Sidewalk Improvements, CIP No. 21272 – Award of Construction Contract. (500)

This item was pulled from the Consent Calendar for further discussion and clarification.

5. Summer Food Service Program. (700)

1. Approved submittal of the Summer Food Service Program grant application.

Resolution No. 6756 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, ACCEPTING THE CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION GRANT FOR THE 2014 SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

Motion by Councilmember Armenta, seconded by Councilmember Archuleta to approve Consent Calendar Items No. 1, 2, 3, and 5. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero

NOES: None

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION:

4. Sidewalk Improvements, CIP No. 21272 – Award of Construction Contract. (500)

Mayor Tercero asked if the selected contractor is qualified to perform the sidewalk improvement project. City Manager Bates stated that the selected contractor is qualified under the standards of the California codes.

Motion by Councilmember Archuleta, seconded by Councilmember Armenta to award a construction contract in the amount of \$98,243 to Mora's Equipment and Construction for the Sidewalk Improvements Project, CIP No. 21271, and authorize the Mayor to

execute the contract in a form approved by the City Attorney. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Agreement No. 14-1468

AYES: Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero

NOES: None

LEGISLATION:

6. Durfee Avenue Underpass Project, CIP No. 21241 – Approval of Design Concept. (500)

Public Works Director Cervantes provided a brief PowerPoint presentation on the proposed design concepts recommended by the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee. After some discussion amongst City Council members with regard to design changes, staff assured members of the City Council that they would vote on the final design.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Armenta to approve the recommendation of the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee to advance Design Concept Plan “1” to final design and construction for the Durfee Avenue Underpass Project. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero

NOES: None

7. Whittier Boulevard Street Rehabilitation Project, Van Norman Road to Paramount Boulevard, CIP No. 21246 – Final Design Concept. (500)

A PowerPoint presentation was given by Public Works Director Cervantes highlighting enhancements to the Whittier Boulevard corridor. City Council members provided suggestions in improvements to the design concept with regard to the underpass billboard size and aesthetics.

Councilmember Armenta asked if the concrete slopes along the corridor of the underpass would remain the same with City Manager Bates responding in the affirmative. Suggestions to add planters to the concrete slopes to improve the corridor were made which staff will take into consideration in improving the design concept.

Mayor Pro Tem Salcido asked staff to look into upgrading the medians on Washington Boulevard as well.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Armenta to approve the recommendation of the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee to advance Design Concept No. 2 to preliminary design and construction for the Whittier Boulevard Street Rehabilitation Project. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero

NOES: None

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY MEETINGS: None.

Recessed to Housing Assistance Agency at 7:10 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

Reconvened from Housing Assistance Agency at 7:12 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Councilmember Archuleta requested that staff look into graffiti along the southbound 605 freeway pertaining to a nursery and report back to City Council at the next meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Salcido commented on his disagreement with the decision of the Ad Hoc Committee in regard to issues with oversize vehicles.

Mayor Tercero asked for an update on the Bus Transportation services. Parks & Recreation Director Gonzalez stated that she met with the owner of the company and that the current agreement will be amended to remove trips that include seniors. City Manager Bates stated that the City will go out to bid in the near future for ADA compliance transportation services. Director Gonzalez stated that the second lowest bidder could be utilized and ensured City Council that a staff person will check the bus restrooms for good operating conditions prior to any City usage/trips.

2ND PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENTS – ALL OTHER CITY-RELATED BUSINESS:

Ryan Wilkinson, Risk Manager for Land Forms Construction:

- Addressed the City Council regarding current law suit with the City.

Rose Rivas, Parks & Recreation Employee:

- Addressed the City Council regarding current issues with the Bus Transportation Company.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Tercero adjourned the City Council meeting at 7:30 p.m. in memory of John Lozano, resident and veteran, and Msgr. Gerald McSorely, former pastor of St. Mariana de Paredes Catholic Church. There being no objection it was so ordered.

AYES: Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero

NOES: None

Brent A. Tercero, Mayor

ATTEST:

Anna M. Jerome, City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct report of the proceedings of the City Council regular meeting dated April 8, 2014 and approved by the City Council on April 22, 2014.

Anna M. Jerome, City Clerk