

CITY OF BUELLTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting of February 12, 2015
City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246
Buellton, California

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Holly Sierra called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Dan Baumann, John Connolly, Leo Elovitz, Vice Mayor Ed Andrisek, and Mayor Holly Sierra

Staff: City Manager Marc Bierdzinski, City Attorney Steve McEwen, Finance Director Carolyn Galloway-Cooper, Public Works Director Ross Hess, Deputy Matt Delgado, and Staff Assistant Clare Barcelona

REORDERING OF AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Larry Rankin, Buellton, discussed the Village Townhomes project and the undergrounding of the utility lines.

Lew Adkins, Buellton, spoke about the driveway opening at Albertsons.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Minutes of January 22, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting**
- 2. List of Claims to be Approved and Ratified for Payment to Date for Fiscal Year 2014-15**

MOTION:

Motion by Vice Mayor Andrisek, seconded by Council Member Connolly, approving Consent Calendar Items 1 and 2 as listed.

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 5-0.
Council Member Baumann - Yes
Council Member Connolly - Yes
Council Member Elovitz - Yes
Vice Mayor Andrisek - Yes
Mayor Sierra - Yes

PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 3. Ordinance No. 15-01 – “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Re-Adopting Chapter 8.12 of the Buellton Municipal Code Pertaining to the 2013 California Fire Code as Adopted and Amended by the County of Santa Barbara” (Introduction and First Reading)**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider the introduction and first reading of Ordinance No. 15-01.

STAFF REPORT:

City Manager Bierdzinski presented the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Mayor Sierra opened the public hearing at 6:12 p.m. There being no public comment, Mayor Sierra closed the Public Hearing at 6:13 p.m.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Elovitz, seconded by Vice Mayor Andrisek approving the introduction and first reading of Ordinance No. 15-01 – “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Re-Adopting Chapter 8.12 of the Buellton Municipal Code Pertaining to the 2013 California Fire Code as Adopted and Amended by the County of Santa Barbara” by title only and waive further reading.

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 5-0.
Council Member Baumann - Yes
Council Member Connolly - Yes
Council Member Elovitz - Yes
Vice Mayor Andrisek - Yes
Mayor Sierra - Yes

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/ITEMS

Council Member Elovitz requested and the Council agreed by consensus that staff agendize discussion pertaining to Council Members making comments at Planning Commission meetings.

Mayor Sierra announced that Congresswoman Lois Capps and Supervisor Doreen Farr are hosting a Public Forum on Aging at the Santa Ynez Valley Marriott on February 18 and the public is invited free of charge.

Mayor Sierra announced that Buellton's State of the City is scheduled for Thursday, February 19 at noon at the Santa Ynez Valley Marriott.

Mayor Sierra requested that staff investigate a bus stop along Industrial Way and asked about the status of the bus shelter along McMurray Road.

Vice Mayor Andrisek requested and the Council agreed by consensus that staff agendize an ordinance prohibiting parking on Avenue of Flags on street sweeping days.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Connolly discussed the Valley-wide swimming pool.

Mayor Sierra announced that she attended a regional meeting of the Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness and provided an oral report regarding the meeting.

BUSINESS ITEMS

- 4. Resolution No. 15-04 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Granting Consent to the City of Solvang to Renew the Santa Ynez Valley Tourism Business Improvement District (SYVTBID)”**

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Council Member Baumann declared a conflict of interest regarding this item due to his business affiliation with the SYVTBID and left the dais at 6:35 p.m.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider approval of Resolution No. 15-04.

STAFF REPORT:

City Manager Bierdzinski presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

DISCUSSION:

Shelby Sim, Executive Director of Visit the Santa Ynez Valley (VSYV) discussed the renewal of the SYVTBID and displayed a PowerPoint presentation.

Kathy Vreeland, Executive Director of the Buellton Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau requested the Council's support for renewal of the SYVTBID.

Ron Anderson, President of the Buellton Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau requested the Council's support for renewal of the SYVTBID.

Danielle Laudon, representing VSYV answered questions from the Council.

Mike Hendrick, General Manager of the Santa Ynez Valley Marriott requested the Council's support for renewal of the SYVTBID.

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Whether Flying Flags RV Resort will be included in the SYVTBID
- Marketing and distribution of funds for the SYVTBID
- Breakdown of funds between electronic and print media
- National and international marketing of the Santa Ynez Valley
- Boundaries of the SYVTBID and why Los Alamos is included
- Deleting vacation rentals from the SYVTBID

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Elovitz, seconded by Vice Mayor Andrisek approving Resolution No. 15-04 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Granting Consent to the City of Solvang to Renew the Santa Ynez Valley Tourism Business Improvement District (SYVTBID)”

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 4-0.

Council Member Connolly - Yes

Council Member Elovitz - Yes

Vice Mayor Andrisek - Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

Council Member Baumann returned to the dais at 7:14 p.m.

5. Highway 246 Sidewalk Project - Consideration of Approval of Cooperative Agreements with A) Caltrans and B) Santa Barbara County Association of Government (SBCAG)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute the Cooperative Agreements with Caltrans and SBCAG.

STAFF REPORT:

Public Works Director Hess presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

DISCUSSION:

Kathy DiGrazia, representing Caltrans spoke about the project schedule.

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Schedule of improvements and whether the City's improvements can be expedited
- Funding sources
- Street lighting plan
- Future improvements for the remainder of Highway 246

MOTION:

Motion by Vice Mayor Andrisek, seconded by Council Member Baumann authorizing the City Manager to execute the Cooperative Agreements with Caltrans and SBCAG.

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 5-0.

Council Member Baumann - Yes

Council Member Connolly - Yes

Council Member Elovitz - Yes

Vice Mayor Andrisek - Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Bierdzinski provided an informational report for the record.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Sierra adjourned the regular meeting at 7:45 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Thursday, February 26, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Holly Sierra
Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Reid
City Clerk