

CITY OF BUELLTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting of September 10, 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, Leo Elovitz, Vice Mayor Ed Andrisek, and Mayor Holly Sierra

Via Telephone: Council Member John Connolly (400 J Avenue, Building 1604, Room 2724, Wichita Falls, Texas)

Staff: City Manager Marc Bierdzinski, City Attorney Steve McEwen, Finance Director Carolyn Galloway-Cooper, Public Works Director Rose Hess, Station Commander Lt. Shawn O'Grady, Recreation Coordinator Kyle Abello, and City Clerk Linda Reid

REORDERING OF AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ron Anderson, Buellton, requested that staff have a city-wide traffic study performed.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Elovitz requested that Item 4 be pulled from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

- 1. Minutes of August 27, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting**
- 2. List of Claims to be Approved and Ratified for Payment to Date for Fiscal Year 2015-16**

3. Award of Contract for 2014/15 Road Maintenance and Citywide Striping Project**MOTION:**

Motion by Vice Mayor Andrisek, seconded by Council Member Baumann, approving Consent Calendar Items 1 through 3 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

4. Annual Reports for Fiscal Year 2014/15 from Visit the Santa Ynez Valley and the Buellton Visitors Bureau

Council Member Elovitz requested clarification regarding the Visitors Bureau's Annual Report return on investment and discrepancy on the transient occupancy tax (TOT) figures.

Kathy Vreeland, Executive Director of the Buellton Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau discussed the revenue received by the Visitors Bureau and correcting the Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2014/15.

Mike Hendrick, Executive Director of the Santa Ynez Valley Marriott, discussed the background of the Visit the Santa Ynez Valley Annual Report.

Peggy Brierton, Buellton, discussed the percentage of money being given to the Visitors Bureau and the correlation between the TOT revenue received by the Visitors Bureau and the City's return on investment.

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Elovitz, seconded by Vice Mayor Andrisek accepting the Visit the Santa Ynez Valley report and pulling the Buellton Visitors Bureau's Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2014/15 for correction and resubmittal.

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

5. **Ordinance No. 15-02 – “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Revising Title 19 (Zoning) of the Buellton Municipal Code (15-ZOA-01) by Adding Regulations Regarding a Definition of a Fast Food Restaurant and Locational Restrictions for Fast Food Restaurants” (Introduction and First Reading)**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council approve Ordinance No. 15-02.

STAFF REPORT:

City Manager Bierdzinski presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff Report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Mayor Sierra opened the Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m.

Ron Anderson, Buellton, discussed the legal ramifications of removing land uses from certain properties.

Pete Robertson, Santa Ynez, discussed his opposition to Ordinance No. 15-02.

Kathy Vreeland, Buellton, discussed the definition of fast food restaurants and how it could negatively impact future businesses in Buellton.

Mike Hendrick, discussed his concern for restricting property uses in Buellton.

Peggy Brierton, Buellton, requested that the Council consider her definition of fast food restaurants and submitted proposed wording for the record.

Judith Dale, Buellton, discussed her opposition to Ordinance No. 15-02.

Mayor Sierra closed the Public Hearing at 6:50 p.m.

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- The definition of fast food restaurants
- Having locational restrictions for fast food restaurants
- Including flexibility in the Ordinance to allow Planning Commission interpretation of restaurants outside of the restricted area
- Focusing on proper design elements rather than zoning restrictions
- Directing staff to research additional fast food definitions for consideration by the Council

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Elovitz, seconded by Mayor Sierra, requesting further clarification of the definition of fast food restaurants and continuing the Public Hearing regarding this item to the Council meeting of October 22.

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 4-1, with Council Member Baumann voting no.
Council Member Baumann - No
Council Member Connolly - Yes
Council Member Elovitz - Yes
Vice Mayor Andrisek - Yes
Mayor Sierra – Yes

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/ITEMS

Council Member Elovitz requested further information regarding a city-wide traffic study.

Vice Mayor Andrisek requested that numbers be placed on City trucks.

Mayor Sierra announced there is a box at City Hall to collect new clothing items, toiletries, and children's clothing and toys for the Santa Barbara County Veterans Stand Down 2015 scheduled for Saturday, October 17, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Santa Maria Fairpark.

Mayor Sierra received a letter from Caltrans regarding handicap ramp improvements on East Highway 246 and indicated that if the City will make the area handicap accessible, Caltrans will issue an encroachment permit. The Council agreed by consensus to direct staff to obtain a price on handicap ramp improvements.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

City Manager Bierdzinski announced that he attended a meeting of the Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness and provided an oral report regarding the meeting. Mr. Baumann stated there are many homeless individuals accessing the riverbed on both sides of Avenue of Flags.

BUSINESS ITEMS**6. Consideration of Agreement for Construction of Bocce Courts at River View Park****RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council consider approval of the Bocce Agreement and authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement.

STAFF REPORT:

Recreation Coordinator Abello presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

The following individuals spoke in support of the Bocce Ball Courts at River View Park:

- Jeanie Bradley, Santa Ynez Valley Bocce
- Mike Hendrick, General Manager of the Santa Ynez Valley Marriott
- Judith Dale, Buellton

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Lighting of the Bocce Ball Courts to include downward directional lighting and a timer to program the lights
- City maintenance of the courts when league is not in session
- The new Bocce Courts are scheduled to be opened by April 2016

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Elovitz, seconded by Vice Mayor Andrisek, approving the Bocce Agreement and authorizing Mayor Sierra to execute the Agreement.

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

7. **Resolution No. 15-23 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Designating a Handicap Parking Space at PAWS Park”**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider adoption of Resolution No. 15-23.

STAFF REPORT:

Public Works Director Hess presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff Report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

David Schwartz, Buellton, thanked the Council for supporting PAWS Park and requested angled parking at the Park. Mr. Schwartz also submitted photos of parking at the Park.

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Angled parking in the area
- The number and design of spaces at the Park
- Revisiting additional handicap spaces in the future if warranted

MOTION:

Motion by Vice Mayor Andrisek, seconded by Council Member Baumann, adopting Resolution No. 15-23 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Designating a Handicap Parking Space at PAWS Park”

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 to the City Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Sierra adjourned the regular meeting at 8:15 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Thursday, September 24, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Holly Sierra
Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Reid
City Clerk