

CITY OF BUELLTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting of November 10, 2016
City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246
Buellton, California

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ed Andrisek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

Excused Absence: Vice Mayor Dan Baumann

Staff: City Manager Marc Bierdzinski, Finance Director Carolyn Galloway-Cooper, Public Works Director Rose Hess, City Attorney Steve McEwen, and City Clerk Linda Reid

REORDERING OF AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kathy Vreeland, Executive Director of the Buellton Chamber and Visitors Bureau announced several upcoming events for the record.

Richard Crutchfield, Buellton, provided suggestions regarding the Avenue of Flags Specific Plan.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Minutes of October 27, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting**
- 2. List of Claims to be Approved/Ratified for Payment to Date for Fiscal Year 2016-17**
- 3. Acceptance and Filing of Stormwater Management Program Annual Report**

- 4. **Reduction of Bond for Village Specific Plan**
- 5. **Consideration of Memorandum of Understanding with Santa Barbara County Regarding Stormwater Resources Control Plan**
- 6. **Resolution No. 16-23 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Establishing an Appropriation Limit for Fiscal Year 2015-16 Pursuant to Article XIII-B of the California Constitution”**
- 7. **Resolution No. 16-24 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Establishing an Appropriation Limit for Fiscal Year 2016-17 Pursuant to Article XIII-B of the California Constitution”**

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Sierra, seconded by Council Member Elovitz approving Consent Calendar Items 1 through 7 as listed.

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 4-0.
Council Member Connolly – Yes
Council Member Elovitz – Yes
Council Member Sierra - Yes
Mayor Andrisek – Yes

PRESENTATIONS

- 8. **Proclamation Honoring Law Enforcement Officers of the Santa Barbara County Sheriff’s Department and the California Highway Patrol**

Mayor Andrisek presented Sheriff Bill Brown from the Santa Barbara County Sheriff’s Department and Lieutenant Kurt Kruse from the California Highway Patrol with a proclamation honoring all law enforcement officers. Sheriff Brown and Lieutenant Kruse both thanked the Council and staff for their support.

Mayor Richardson of Solvang spoke in support of all law enforcement officers at the Santa Barbara County Sheriff’s Department and the California Highway Patrol.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/ITEMS

Council Member Sierra requested that all Council Members speak into their microphones so that people watching the streaming video can hear the conversation.

Council Member Elovitz asked whether residents who have a one inch water meter can have their meter fees reduced. Public Works Director Hess stated that residents may pay for a smaller meter to reduce their associated water fees.

Mayor Andrisek stated there are residents who want to speak about the RV parking ordinance when it is brought back in January.

Council Member Sierra announced that she, Mayor Andrisek, and Vice Mayor Baumann attended the Economic Alliance Dinner last week and said it was a great event.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Sierra announced that she and City Manager Bierdzinski met with Dean Palius of People Helping People to discuss the resident census performed on the Avenue of Flags motels and provided a report regarding their meeting. Ms. Sierra announced that the report will be provided to the Council after the New Year.

BUSINESS ITEMS

9. Approval of Contract and Budget with the Buellton Chamber of Commerce for Operation of the Visitors Bureau

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council approve the Visitors Bureau's contract and budget and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract.

STAFF REPORT:

City Manager Bierdzinski presented the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Peggy Brierton, Buellton, discussed the Visitors Bureau's revised budget and requested a breakdown of the programs and projects to be completed.

Mark Preston, Buellton, discussed the Visitors Bureau's revised budget and provided a handout for the record.

Kathy Vreeland, Executive Director of the Buellton Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau submitted a revised budget for the record and discussed the budget and contract.

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Visitors Bureau's revised budget
- The request for qualifications process for hiring a public relations agency
- Mid-year report in January to include marketing plan and list of upcoming programs and projects
- The breakdown of the other line item totals to be provided in the mid-year report

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Elovitz approving the contract for the Visitors Bureau but withholding two items and requesting the Visitors Bureau bring back a description of programs and projects for Council approval. The motion failed for lack of a second.

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Sierra, seconded by Council Member Connolly approving the Visitors Bureau's contract and budget and authorizing the Mayor to sign the contract.

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 3-1.

Council Member Connolly - Yes

Council Member Elovitz - No

Council Member Sierra - Yes

Mayor Andrisek – Yes

10. **Resolution No. 16-26 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California Deciding to Become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency Pursuant to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act for the Central Management Area”**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council approve Resolution No. 16-26.

STAFF REPORT:

Public Works Director Hess presented the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Bruce Wales, Santa Ynez Water Conservation District, discussed the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and how the project will move forward.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Elovitz, seconded by Council Member Sierra approving Resolution No. 16-26 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California Deciding to Become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency Pursuant to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act for the Central Management Area”

VOTE:

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

Council Member Connolly - Yes

Council Member Elovitz - Yes

Council Member Sierra - Yes

Mayor Andrisek – Yes

11. Consideration of Lease Renewal with Mike Brown for Operation of the Zaca Creek Golf Course

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend the Zaca Creek Golf Course lease (Amendment No. 3) to extend the lease by five years until December 11, 2021.

STAFF REPORT:

City Manager Bierdzinski presented the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Kathy Vreeland, Executive Director of the Buellton Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau, submitted a letter of support for Zaca Creek Golf Course.

Mike Brown, Manager of Zaca Creek Golf Course stated he would enjoy continuing the Golf Course lease for another five years.

Peggy Brierton, Buellton, spoke about the replacement trees.

Richard Crutchfield, Buellton, discussed the disrepair of the adjacent hillside area near the Zaca Creek Golf Course.

Ron Anderson, Buellton, spoke in support of the Zaca Creek Golf Course.

The City Council discussed whether the drought will affect the Golf Course in the future and how much water will be needed to maintain the Golf Course going forward.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Connolly, seconded by Council Member Elovitz authorizing the City Manager to amend the Zaca Creek Golf Course lease (Amendment No. 3) to extend the lease by five years until December 11, 2021.

VOTE:

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

Council Member Connolly - Yes

Council Member Elovitz - Yes

Council Member Sierra - Yes

Mayor Andrisek – Yes

12. Discussion Regarding Possible Elimination of the Parks and Recreation Commission**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council approve the elimination of the Parks and Recreation Commission and use an ad hoc committee for parks and recreation related issues as needed.

STAFF REPORT:

City Manager Bierdzinski presented the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Larry Bishop, Buellton, spoke in opposition to eliminating the Parks and Recreation Commission and provided a handout for the record.

Richard Crutchfield, Buellton, discussed restructuring the Parks and Recreation Commission. Mr. Crutchfield stated the Commission, in its present form, should be suspended.

Judith Dale, Buellton, discussed the Parks and Recreation Commission's role and asked that the Commission be redefined rather than eliminated.

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Using an ad hoc committee for future Parks and Recreation issues
- Redefining the Parks and Recreation Commission to try and attract new commission members with different goals and responsibilities

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

DIRECTION:

The City Council agreed by consensus to suspend the Parks and Recreation Commission meetings pending discussion of restructuring the Commission and conduct ad hoc committee meetings in the interim.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Bierdzinski provided an informational report to the City Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Andrisek adjourned the regular meeting at 8:05 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Thursday, December 8, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Ed Andrisek
Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Reid
City Clerk