

# **CITY OF BUELLTON**

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting of January 12, 2017**  
**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, Foster Reif, Vice Mayor Ed Andrisek, and Mayor Holly Sierra

**Staff:** City Manager Marc Bierdzinski, Finance Director Carolyn Galloway-Cooper, Public Works Director Rose Hess, City Attorney Steve McEwen, Station Commander Lt. Shawn O'Grady, Contract City Planner Irma Tucker, and City Clerk Linda Reid

### **REORDERING OF AGENDA**

None

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Janet Hill, Buellton, requested the City Council review the water rate increase and its impact on Downey Circle residents.

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

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1. Minutes of December 8, 2016 Special City Council Meeting**
- 2. Minutes of December 8, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting**
- 3. List of Claims to be Approved and Ratified for Payment to Date for Fiscal Year 2016-17**

**MOTION:**

Motion by Vice Mayor Andrisek, seconded by Council Member Connolly 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 Reif – Yes

Vice Mayor Andrisek - Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

**PRESENTATIONS**

None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/ITEMS**

Vice Mayor Andrisek acknowledged the passing of several Valley residents.

Mayor Sierra announced the City's 25<sup>th</sup> birthday on February 1 and invited the public to stop by City Hall on that day for refreshments.

Mayor Sierra requested that the City Attorney describe the difference between a City Manager and a City Administrator. City Attorney McEwen provided an explanation.

Vice Mayor Andrisek requested that staff agendaize discussion regarding a change to the video streaming process to allow viewers to see presentations on the white board.

Mayor Sierra requested that staff agendaize the water meter issue at Downey Circle for discussion.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

None

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Vice Mayor Andrisek announced that he attended the Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA) Operating Committee meeting today and provided an oral report regarding the meeting.

Council Member Reif announced he attended the Buellton Chamber of Commerce Economic Development meeting and provided an oral report regarding the meeting.

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

## BUSINESS ITEMS

### 4. Direction Regarding Draft Avenue of Flags Specific Plan

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council provide comments and direction to staff to proceed with preparation of a final Draft Avenue of Flags Specific Plan and required environmental studies / CEQA review.

#### **STAFF REPORT:**

Contract City Planner Irma Tucker presented the staff report.

#### **SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:**

Correspondence was received, distributed to Council, and made part of the record from Carol Carbine, Helga George, Ph.D., and Thekla Sanford.

The following speakers provided their suggested changes and additions to the Avenue of Flags Specific Plan:

- Peggy Brierton, Buellton, (provided a handout for the record)
- Leo Elovitz, Buellton
- Judi Stauffer, Buellton
- Pete Robertson, Buellton
- Richard Crutchfield, Buellton
- Judith Dale, Buellton
- Finn Runge, Buellton

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Discussion of the development opportunity reserve program (DOR)
- Update regarding property owner and business owner meetings
- CEQA master document and how that will help developers
- Economic development programs to fund improvements

- Whether current projects on the Avenue of Flags are looking into the benefits from DOR
- Remove the CFD/EIFD financing mechanisms and add mid-block crosswalks
- List the facilities that could be installed on the medians as an optional section of the Specific Plan
- Delete the Ranch style architecture and include the Art Deco architecture with additional restrictions on its use
- Eliminate diagonal parking on the right side of the roadways
- Revise Median 2 as flex-space with the provision of infrastructure

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

**DIRECTION:**

The City Council agreed by consensus to direct staff to proceed with the preparation of a final Draft Avenue of Flags Specific Plan and required environmental studies/CEQA review with the following changes:

- Eliminate the CFD/EIFD
- Review mid-block crosswalk locations
- Take all the structures off the medians and have it as a separate section that shows the type of buildings that could be placed on the medians
- Median 2 – show as a cobble stone paved area with flex space to be used as parking and event areas. Stub out infrastructure including fiber optics. Show possible location of restroom building
- Review the removal of angled parking on the right side of the roadway.
- Delete the Ranch style architecture and add more details on when Art Deco may be used
- Provide an implementation mechanism for the DOR

5. **Urgency Ordinance No. 17-01 – “An Urgency Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Under Government Code Section 65858(a), Establishing a 45-day Moratorium on Non-Medical Marijuana Facilities and Marijuana Cultivation, Except for Private Indoor Cultivation of Six Marijuana Plants or Less, Which Shall be Subject to Reasonable Regulations”**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council approve Urgency Ordinance No. 17-01.

**STAFF REPORT:**

City Attorney Steve McEwen presented the staff report.

**SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:**

Leo Elovitz, Buellton, discussed the urgency ordinance and suggested the Council collect more information on the issue before making a decision regarding regulations.

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

**MOTION:**

Motion by Council Member Baumann, seconded by Vice Mayor Andrisek approving Urgency Ordinance No. 17-01 - "An Urgency Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Under Government Code Section 65858(a), Establishing a 45-day Moratorium on Non-Medical Marijuana Facilities and Marijuana Cultivation, Except for Private Indoor Cultivation of Six Marijuana Plants or Less, Which Shall be Subject to Reasonable Regulations" 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 Reif – Yes

Vice Mayor Andrisek – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

**6. Discussion and Direction Regarding Amendments to Marijuana Regulations Following Proposition 64**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council provide direction to staff on the amendment of the City's existing marijuana regulations and present a proposed ordinance to the Planning Commission before final approval by the City Council.

**STAFF REPORT:**

City Attorney Steve McEwen presented the staff report.

**SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:**

Leo Elovitz, Buellton, suggested the Council collect more information on this issue before making a decision regarding regulations.

Judith Dale, Buellton, discussed where marijuana plants could be grown and suggested further information be gathered before developing final regulations.

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- What neighboring cities and Santa Barbara County are doing with regard to this issue
- Gather additional information regarding recreational marijuana and report back to Council

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

**DIRECTION:**

The City Council agreed by consensus to direct staff to collect additional information regarding recreational marijuana and report back to the City Council.

**7. Discussion Regarding Two-Year Budget Proposal Beginning with Fiscal Years 2017-18 and 2018-19**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council approve a two-year budget process beginning with Fiscal Year 2017-18.

**STAFF REPORT:**

Finance Director Carolyn Galloway-Cooper presented the staff report.

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

**MOTION:**

Motion by Vice Mayor Andrisek, seconded by Council Member Baumann approving a two-year budget process beginning with Fiscal Year 2017-18.

**VOTE:**

- Motion passed by a voice vote of 5-0.
- Council Member Baumann – Yes
- Council Member Connolly – Yes
- Council Member Reif – 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 9:30 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Thursday, January 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

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Holly Sierra  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Linda Reid  
City Clerk