

CITY OF BUELLTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting of May 10, 2018

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 Ed Andrisek, Art Mercado, Vice Mayor Dave King, and Mayor Holly Sierra

Staff: City Manager Marc Bierdzinski, Public Works Director Rose Hess, City Attorney Steve McEwen (Via Telephone), Finance Director Shannel Zamora, Deputy Rockwell Ellis, and City Clerk Linda Reid

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Steve Lykken, Buellton, spoke regarding the poor condition of the Avenue of Flags and provided photos for the record. Mr. Lykken also asked staff to contact Caltrans regarding the weeds surrounding the freeway ramps.

Finn Runge, Buellton, asked the Council to speak into the microphones so residents at home can hear their conversation.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Sierra requested and the Council agreed by consensus to pull Item 5 for discussion.

1. **Minutes of April 26, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting**
2. **List of Claims to be Approved and Ratified for Payment to Date for Fiscal Year 2017-18**
3. **Contract Extension with Kosmont Companies for Economic Development Services**

4. Contract Amendment to the Agreement for Animal Control Services Between the County of Santa Barbara and the City of Buellton – Fiscal Year 2018-19 and Fiscal Year 2019-20

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Andrisek, seconded by Vice Mayor King approving Consent Calendar Items 1 through 4 as listed.

VOTE:

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

Council Member Andrisek – Yes

Council Member Mercado – Yes

Vice Mayor King - Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

5. Acceptance of Public Waterline Easements (Flying Flags)

The Council questioned the public waterline easement and staff responded to the questions.

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Andrisek, seconded by Mayor Sierra approving Consent Calendar Item 5.

VOTE:

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

Council Member Andrisek – Yes

Council Member Mercado – Yes

Vice Mayor King - Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/ITEMS

Council Member Andrisek requested that staff contact Caltrans and ask them to post Buellton’s current population number. Council Member Andrisek also discussed the City’s emergency management plan and emergency response capabilities.

Vice Mayor King asked about replacing a faded stop sign at Central Avenue and Second Street. Vice Mayor King stated he would like to see a Farmer's Market come to town.

Mayor Sierra stated the book boxes are installed in two locations in town and thanked resident Finn Runge for repairing the boxes.

Mayor Sierra stated that the updated water fee schedule was legally implemented.

Mayor Sierra announced the first Special Olympics basketball game is scheduled for this Saturday at noon.

Mayor Sierra announced that Buellton has a team running in the Santa Barbara Wine Country Half Marathon this Saturday.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

BUSINESS ITEMS

6. Discussion and Direction Regarding the City Owned Property at 480 Central Avenue

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council provide direction to staff regarding adding the 480 Central property to the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Capital Improvement Program as a parking lot.

STAFF REPORT:

City Manager Bierdzinski presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Monthly parking rate
- Whether the parking lot could be part of a parking district
- Having a developer versus the City build the parking lot

DIRECTION:

The City Council agreed by consensus to work with a future developer for construction of the parking lot at 480 Central Avenue.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

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

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- 7. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
California Government Code Section 54956.9(a)
City of Buellton v. TJ Partners, LLC, et al.
Superior Court Case No. 18CV01553**

The City Council met in closed session to discuss existing litigation. No reportable action was taken.

- 8. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(4) (one case)**

The City Council met in closed session to discuss anticipated litigation. No reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Sierra adjourned the regular meeting at 6:55 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Holly Sierra
Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Reid
City Clerk