

# CITY OF BUELLTON

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting of July 12, 2018

City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246  
Buellton, California

### CALL TO ORDER

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

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### ROLL CALL

**Present:** Council Members Ed Andrisek and Art Mercado, Vice Mayor Dave King and Mayor Holly Sierra

**Staff:** City Manager Marc Bierdzinski, Public Works Director Rose Hess, City Attorney Steve McEwen, Finance Director Shannel Zamora, Planning Director Andrea Keefer, Lt. Eddie Hsueh, and City Clerk Linda Reid

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Steve Lykken, Buellton, thanked staff for having Caltrans sweep Highway 246 and requested that staff contact Caltrans to clean the right-of-way. Mr. Lykken also requested that the City clean up the Avenue of Flags before the rededication in September. Mr. Lykken provided a handout for the record.

Debbie Oquist, Buellton, stated that the City should fund development on the Avenue of Flags and not a parking lot on Central Avenue and Second Street.

Kathy Vreeland, representing the Buellton Visitors Bureau and Chamber of Commerce stated that the new branding and marketing campaign will be unveiled on Thursday, July 26 at 11:30 a.m. at Parks Plaza Theater. Ms. Vreeland provided a handout for the record regarding the event.

Richard Kusmitch, Buellton, spoke about the noise coming from businesses along Industrial Way and possible solutions.

Dawn Dunn from Santa Barbara County Public Health discussed smoking regulations for outdoor restaurant areas and provided a handout for the record.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. **Minutes of June 28, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting**
2. **List of Claims to be Approved and Ratified for Payment to Date for Fiscal Year 2017/18**
3. **Designation of Voting Delegate and Alternate for 2018 League of California Cities Annual Conference Business Meeting**
4. **Monthly Treasurer's Report – May 31, 2018**
5. **Quarterly Report for January 1, 2018 through March 31, 2018 from Visit Santa Ynez Valley (VisitSYV)**
6. **City of Buellton's Response to Santa Barbara County Grand Jury Report "Pensions in Santa Barbara County"**

**MOTION:**

Motion by Council Member Andrisek, seconded by Vice Mayor King approving Consent Calendar Items 1 through 6 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

**PRESENTATIONS**

None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

7. **Ordinance No. 18-02 – "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Repealing Municipal Code Chapter 9.08 and Adding Municipal Code Chapter 19.20 Regarding Commercial Cannabis Activities and Cannabis Cultivation" (Introduction and First Reading)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council consider the introduction and first reading of Ordinance No. 18-02.

**STAFF REPORT:**

City Manager Bierdzinski presented the staff report.

**DISCUSSION:**

The City Council discussed cannabis deliveries in Buellton and how regulations would be enforced.

Mayor Sierra opened the public hearing at 6:33 p.m.

Mary Conway, representing Santa Ynez Valley Youth Coalition, thanked the City Council for being proactive in bringing Ordinance No. 18-02 forward for adoption.

There being no further public comment, Mayor Sierra closed the Public Hearing at 6:38 p.m.

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

**MOTION:**

Motion by Council Member Mercado, seconded by Vice Mayor King approving Ordinance No. 18-02 – “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Repealing Municipal Code Chapter 9.08 and Adding Municipal Code Chapter 19.20 Regarding Commercial Cannabis Activities and Cannabis Cultivation” by title only and waive further reading.

**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

**COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/ITEMS**

Council Member Mercado requested that the City perform code enforcement regarding property maintenance, including trash accumulation.

Council Member Andrisek complimented the clean-up progress on the property located at 46 East Highway 246.

The City Council agreed by consensus to agendaize discussion of City Manager responsibilities at the August 9 Council meeting.

Mayor Sierra requested that the service flags on the Avenue of Flags be replaced.

Mayor Sierra thanked the Solvang Rotary for allowing her and her grandchildren to participate in the Fourth of July Parade.

Mayor Sierra thanked the Sheriff’s department for their diligent hard work.

Council Member Andrisek recognized Lt. O'Grady for his promotion to Commander.

The City Council agreed by consensus to modify the outdoor smoking ordinance.

Vice Mayor King questioned whether the City is under drought restrictions. Public Works Director Hess stated the City is not currently under drought restrictions.

The City Council agreed by consensus to agendaize appointment of an Ex-Officio Member to the Buellton Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

## **WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

None

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Vice Mayor King stated that he, Mayor Sierra, and Council Member Andrisek attended the League of California Cities Executive Forum in Monterey and that it was a great event.

Mayor Sierra announced that she attended the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments meeting and provided an oral report for the record.

## **BUSINESS ITEMS**

### **8. Visitor's Bureau Proposed Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget and Request for Additional Funding**

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council receive the Buellton Visitor's Bureau Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget and provide direction on their request for additional funding.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Kathy Vreeland, representing the Buellton Visitors Bureau and Chamber of Commerce provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding their budget and request for additional funding and she provided handouts for the record.

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Need for more detail regarding budget requests, including proposed staffing
- Additional backup data needed for requested increase
- Add past fiscal year data to proposed Visitors Bureau's 2018-19 Budget

Peggy Brierton, Buellton, stated that the City Council needs more detail before they provide additional funding to the Visitors Bureau. Ms. Brierton stated that additional funding would be better spent on City improvements such as the Avenue of Flags development.

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

**DIRECTION:**

The City Council agreed by consensus not to approve additional funding for the Visitors Bureau at this time and requested they bring back a more detailed budget for consideration and review.

**9. Approval of Storage Improvements at City Hall**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Council authorize the City Manager to implement the storage improvements at City Hall for a not to exceed cost of \$27,400, and amend the 2018/19 FY budget by this amount at the next budget adjustment.

**STAFF REPORT:**

Public Works Director Hess presented the staff report.

**DISCUSSION:**

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Who will be doing the improvements
- Will the storage unit meet fire code standards

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

**MOTION:**

Motion by Council Member Andrisek, seconded by Vice Mayor King authorizing the City Manager to implement the storage improvements at City Hall for a not to exceed cost of \$27,400, and amend the 2018/19 FY budget by this amount at the next budget adjustment.

**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

**CITY MANAGER’S REPORT**

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Sierra adjourned the regular meeting at 8:10 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Thursday, July 26, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

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Holly Sierra  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Linda Reid  
City Clerk