

CITY OF BUELLTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting of February 28, 2019
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 Dave King, Art Mercado, and John Sanchez, Vice Mayor Ed Andrisek and Mayor Holly Sierra

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Caroline Abate, spoke in support of President Trump.

John Dorwin, Buellton, spoke in support of Citizens for Pedestrian Access and requested that staff update the Circulation Element of the General Plan.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Minutes of February 14, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting**
- 2. List of Claims to be Approved/ Ratified for Payment to Date for Fiscal Year 2018/19**
- 3. Monthly Treasurer's Report - January 31, 2019**
- 4. Acceptance of City of Buellton Transportation Development Act (TDA) Fund Financial Statements for Years Ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 with Independent Auditor's Report**
- 5. Resolution No. 19-04 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Revising Staff Salary Schedule”**

MOTION:

Motion by Vice Mayor Andrisek, seconded by Council Member Mercado, approving Consent Calendar Items 1 through 5 as listed.

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 5-0.

Council Member King – Yes

Council Member Mercado – Yes

Council Member Sanchez - Yes

Vice Mayor Andrisek – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

PRESENTATIONS**6. Proclamation Honoring the Santa Ynez Valley Humane Society**

Mayor Sierra presented Bob Jennings, President of the Santa Ynez Valley Humane Society and staff members with a proclamation honoring their work in the Valley. Mr. Jennings accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Santa Ynez Valley Humane Society and thanked the City Council for their support.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/ITEMS

Council Member Sanchez stated he assisted Endelos Energy with installation of a solar light on a flag pole on the Avenue of Flags but the light shut off at 4:00 a.m., so the flag was removed until a different light could be installed.

Vice Mayor Andrisek stated the lights on the Avenue of Flags are not working and requested that staff contact PG&E for an update. Public Works Director Hess stated that PG&E is working to correct the issue.

Mayor Sierra thanked the Buellton Chamber of Commerce and Flying Flags RV Resort for hosting the State of the City.

Council Member King requested the status of bringing the design guidelines back for Council review. Planning Director Keefer stated this item is on her list of items to bring to Council.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Mercado announced that he attended the Buellton Chamber of Commerce Board meeting and provided an oral report regarding the meeting.

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

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

Mayor Sierra announced that she attended a board meeting for Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) and provided an oral report regarding the meeting.

BUSINESS ITEMS

7. **Approval of One-Year Contract Extensions for MNS Engineers Inc. and Tetra Tech, Inc.**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council approve the additional one-year contract extension for engineering services for MNS Engineers, Inc. and Tetra Tech.

STAFF REPORT:

Public Works Director Hess presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

The City Council discussed continuing the item to allow more time to study the billing data.

Jeff Edwards, MNS Engineers requested that City Council continue this item to March 14 rather than March 28.

DIRECTION:

The City Council agreed by consensus to move this item to the meeting of March 14.

8. Resolution No. 19-03 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Adopting the 2019 Santa Barbara County Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan”

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider adoption of Resolution No. 19-03.

STAFF REPORT:

Public Works Director Hess presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

The City Council asked for a definition of environmental justice and unsheltered populations.

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member King, seconded by Council Member Mercado, approving Resolution No. 19-03 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Adopting the 2019 Santa Barbara County Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan”

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 5-0.

Council Member King - Yes

Council Member Mercado – Yes

Council Member Sanchez - Yes

Vice Mayor Andrisek - Yes

Mayor Sierra - Yes

9. Discussion of Goals and Priorities for Biennial Budget Fiscal Years 2019/20 and 2020/21

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council develop a mission statement, set goals and objectives and identify priorities to be included in the Biennial Budget for Fiscal Years 2019-20 and 2020-21.

STAFF REPORT:

Finance Director Zamora presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

John Dorwin, Buellton, indicated that a study of traffic circulation should be listed as a goal for the City Council to pursue.

Peggy Brierton, Buellton, provided a suggested mission statement and goals for the upcoming budget cycle.

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Revised the Mission Statement to read, “Strive to provide the highest quality of life for its residents in the most sustainable and efficient manner”
- Provided the following goals and objectives:
 1. Balanced Budget
 2. Support and fund trails and bike paths
 3. Continue to support economic development
 4. Implement Vision Plan with objective of completing Median 2 on the Avenue of Flags
 5. Sound Planning and Development with objectives of a Circulation Element update, Highway 246 safety improvements and adopting a complete streets plan
 6. Emergency preparedness with objectives of a City Hall generator, CERT classes and emergency lights and generators
 7. Maintain infrastructure and sustainability with objectives of lighting on Industrial Way and Central Avenue, maintaining the landscape rebate program and looking at drought tolerant landscape standards
 8. Create an arts and culture committee

DIRECTION:

The City Council agreed by consensus to direct staff to add the above referenced mission statement and goals and objectives in the upcoming Biennial Budget for Fiscal Years 2019-20 and 2020-21.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

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

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**10. Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1):
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT**

Title: City Manager

The City Council met in closed session to discuss Item 10. No reportable action was taken.

**11. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Threat of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) [Letter
from Kevin I. Shenkman dated September 28, 2018]**

The City Council met in closed session to discuss Item 11. No reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Sierra adjourned the regular meeting at 8:45 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Holly Sierra
Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Reid
City Clerk