

# **CITY OF BUELLTON**

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting of August 13, 2020**

**City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246  
Buellton, California**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Sierra called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. via Zoom.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **ROLL CALL**

**Present via Zoom:** Council Members Ed Andrisek, Dave King, John Sanchez, Vice Mayor Art Mercado, and Mayor Sierra

**Staff:** City Manager Scott Wolfe, Public Works Director Rose Hess, City Clerk Linda Reid, City Attorney Greg Murphy (via Zoom), Finance Director Shannel Zamora (via Zoom), Planning Director Andrea Keefer (via Zoom), and Recreation Supervisor Kyle Abello (via Zoom)

### **REORDERING OF AGENDA**

None

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1. Minutes of July 9, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting**
- 2. List of Claims to be Approved and Ratified for Payment to Date for Fiscal Year 2019/20 and Fiscal Year 2020/2021**
- 3. Monthly Treasurer's Report – June 30, 2020**
- 4. Designation of Voting Delegate and Alternate for 2020 League of California Cities Annual Conference Business Meeting**

**5. Acceptance of the Storm Drain Retrofit Project – Phase 1****MOTION:**

Motion by Council Member Sanchez, seconded by Council Member Andrisek, approving Consent Calendar Items 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 as listed.

**VOTE:**

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

Council Member Andrisek – Yes

Council Member King - Yes

Council Member Sanchez - Yes

Vice Mayor Mercado – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

**PRESENTATIONS****6. Recognition of Recent Eagle Scout Award Recipients from Buellton Scout Troop 42:**

- **Jackson Davenport**
- **Ashton Salas**
- **Cole Snodgrass**
- **Aidan Tesdahl**
- **Calan Williams**
- **Chris Gundry**

Mayor Sierra, Council Members, and City Manager Wolfe congratulated Troop 42's Eagle Scout recipients and thanked them for their service to the community.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/ITEMS**

Council Member King congratulated Troop 42 Eagle Scouts.

Council Member Sanchez congratulated Troop 42 Eagle Scouts and thanked Recreation Supervisor Abello for conducting the Arts and Culture Committee meeting.

Vice Mayor Mercado congratulated Troop 42 Eagle Scouts and announced that Flying Flags RV Resort was praised on Good Morning America for being one of the best “glamping” campgrounds in the country.

Mayor Sierra thanked the Planning Department for organizing the first Community Cleanup in Buellton. Mayor Sierra announced that Jody Knoell is moving to Tennessee and thanked her for many years of service at the Buellton Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau.

Mayor Sierra requested and the Council agreed by consensus to have staff arrange for public tours of the City-owned Willemsen property so the public can provide suggestions on how best to use the property.

## **WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

Lt. Jeff Greene addressed resident concerns regarding vehicle break-ins in the Rancho de Maria subdivision and the surrounding communities and provided suggestions on how residents can stay safe during the current Pandemic.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

## **BUSINESS ITEMS**

### **7. Approval of Arts and Culture Project Application: “Best of Buellton” Public Murals**

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council consider approving \$3,200 to fund the Public Murals Project in Buellton.

#### **STAFF REPORT:**

Recreation Supervisor Abello presented the staff report.

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

Liz Alvarez spoke about the Public Murals Project in Buellton and answered questions from the City Council.

Elaine Alvarado, Buellton, submitted written comments supporting the Public Murals Project, which was made part of the record.

The City Council requested that the Buellton Post Office murals reflect Buellton’s history, rather than creating postage stamp murals.

#### **DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

#### **MOTION:**

Motion by Vice Mayor Mercado, seconded by Council Member Andrisek, approving \$3,200 to fund the Public Murals Project in Buellton.

**VOTE:**

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

Council Member Andrisek – Yes

Council Member King – Yes

Council Member Sanchez - Yes

Vice Mayor Mercado – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

**8. Consideration of Program Development Agreement with ENGIE Services U.S.****RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council direct staff to authorize the City Manager to execute the Program Development Agreement between the City of Buellton and ENGIE Services U.S. for solar panel structures on City owned properties.

**STAFF REPORT:**

City Manager Wolfe presented the staff report.

**SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:**

Ashu Jain, Senior Manager at ENGIE Services U.S. discussed the solar panel structures proposed for City owned properties in Buellton.

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report. City Manager Wolfe distributed a spreadsheet displaying potential savings through participation in the ENGIE Program, which was made part of the record.

**MOTION:**

Motion by Council Member King, seconded by Council Member Andrisek directing staff to authorize the City Manager to execute the Program Development Agreement between the City of Buellton and ENGIE Services U.S. for solar panel structures on City owned properties.

**VOTE:**

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

Council Member Andrisek – Yes

Council Member King – Yes

Council Member Sanchez - Yes

Vice Mayor Mercado – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

**9. Discussion Regarding Flag Pole on Median 2****RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council direct staff to pursue acquisition of the replacement flag pole on Industrial Way, to include purchasing a replacement pole for the property owner.

**STAFF REPORT:**

City Manager Wolfe presented the staff report.

**SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:**

The City Council discussed the disposition of the original flag pole that stood on Median 2 of the Avenue of Flags.

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

**MOTION:**

Motion by Council Member Andrisek, seconded by Council Member King directing staff to pursue acquisition of the replacement flag pole on Industrial Way, to include purchasing a replacement pole for the property owner, and storing the original Median 2 flag pole for future use in the City of Buellton.

**VOTE:**

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

Council Member Andrisek – Yes

Council Member King – Yes

Council Member Sanchez - Yes

Vice Mayor Mercado – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

**10. Resolution No. 20-21 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, for the Purpose of Budget Amendments from Operational Changes Related to Fiscal Year 2019-20 Budget through the Fourth Quarter Ending June 30, 2020”****RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council consider adoption of Resolution No. 20-21.

**STAFF REPORT:**

Finance Director Zamora presented the staff report.

**SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:**

The City Council thanked Finance Director Zamora for her work on the budget amendments.

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

**MOTION:**

Motion by Council Member Sanchez, seconded by Vice Mayor Mercado, adopting Resolution No. 20-21 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, for the Purpose of Budget Amendments from Operational Changes Related to Fiscal Year 2019-20 Budget through the Fourth Quarter Ending June 30, 2020”

**VOTE:**

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

Council Member Andrisek – Yes

Council Member King – Yes

Council Member Sanchez - Yes

Vice Mayor Mercado – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

**CITY MANAGER’S REPORT**

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

**CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

- 11. Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) Potential Initiation of Litigation**
- 12. Closed Session - California Government Code Section 54957 regarding: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION  
Title: City Attorney**
- 13. Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 - Conference with Real Property Negotiator  
Property: 202 Dairyland Road, Buellton, CA (APN: 099-66-032,-033, -034, and -035)  
Agency Negotiator: Scott Wolfe, City Manager  
Negotiating Party: Moriarty Property Company  
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment**

The City Council met in closed session to discuss Items 11, 12, and 13. No reportable action was taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Sierra adjourned the regular meeting at 8:35 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Thursday, August 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

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Holly Sierra  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Linda Reid  
City Clerk