

CITY OF BUELLTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting of September 24, 2020
City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246
Buellton, California

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Council Member John Sanchez

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)

REORDERING OF AGENDA

Mayor Sierra requested that Item 6 be continued to the Council meeting of October 8, 2020, so that Council Member Sanchez can take part in the discussion.

6. **Consideration of a New Contract with Metro Ventures Ltd. for Irma L. Tucker to Provide Professional Planning Services**

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member King, seconded by Council Member Andrisek continuing Item 6 to the meeting of October 8, 2020, to allow Council Member Sanchez to participate in the discussion.

VOTE:

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

Council Member Andrisek – Yes

Council Member King – Yes

Vice Mayor Mercado – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ashley Coelho, Buellton, submitted letters for the record supporting a ban on the sale of flavored tobacco products in the City of Buellton.

Juan Sanchez, Buellton, submitted a letter for the record supporting a ban on the sale of flavored tobacco products in the City of Buellton.

Jennifer Cabrera, Buellton, submitted a letter for the record supporting a ban on the sale of flavored tobacco products in the City of Buellton.

Hailey Johnson, Solvang, submitted a letter for the record supporting a ban on the sale of flavored tobacco products in the City of Buellton.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Minutes of September 10, 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 – August 31, 2020**
- 4. Filing of an Amended Claim with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) for Revised Allocation of Transportation Development Act Funds (TDA) for Fiscal Year 2020-21**

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member King, seconded by Vice Mayor Mercado, 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 King – Yes

Vice Mayor Mercado – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/ITEMS

Council Member King requested and the Council agreed by consensus to have staff bring back a resolution suggesting the City maintain local control over its regulations, rather than the State of California.

Mayor Sierra congratulated Logan DeLeon for achieving his Eagle Scout.

Mayor Sierra requested and the Council agreed by consensus to continue the discussion regarding a ban on flavored tobacco being sold in the City of Buellton when the entire Council is present.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Vice Mayor Mercado announced that he attended the Buellton Visitors Bureau's Board meeting and stated that Executive Director Kathy Vreeland would brief the Council on the meeting during her presentation under Item 5.

Mayor Sierra announced that she attended the Library Advisory Committee meeting and provided an oral report regarding the meeting.

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

- 5. Annual Report from the Buellton Visitors Bureau for the Period July 2019 through June 2020**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council receive the Annual Report from the Buellton Visitors Bureau.

STAFF REPORT:

Finance Director Zamora presented the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Kathy Vreeland, Executive Director of the Buellton Visitors Bureau provided a PowerPoint presentation showing the Buellton Visitors Bureau’s activities from July 2019 through June 2020.

The City Council thanked the Visitors Bureau for their efforts to showcase Buellton.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

7. Approval of Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Grant Agreement and Consulting Services Agreement with SBBIKE

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider approval of the OTS Grant Agreement and the SBBIKE Agreement and authorize a budget adjustment, adding the Santa Ynez Valley Bicycle and Pedestrian Outreach Program to the City’s Capital Improvement Project list, in the amount of \$40,000.

STAFF REPORT:

Public Works Director Hess presented the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

The City Council discussed the timing for using the grant funds and the City’s relationship with SBBIKE.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

MOTION:

Motion by Vice Mayor Mercado, seconded by Council Member King authorizing staff to execute the OTS Grant Agreement and the SBBIKE Agreement and authorize a budget adjustment, adding the Santa Ynez Valley Bicycle and Pedestrian Outreach Program to the City’s Capital Improvement Project list, in the amount of \$40,000.

VOTE:

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

Council Member Andrisek - Yes

Council Member King – Yes

Vice Mayor Mercado – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

8. **Resolution No. 20-24 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Prohibiting Parking on the Median of Avenue of Flags South of Damassa Road (Median 2) Between the Hours of 2:00 AM and 6:00 AM”**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider approval of Resolution No. 20-24.

STAFF REPORT:

City Manager Wolfe presented the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Council Member King suggested that the parking restriction begin at 12:00 a.m., rather than 2:00 a.m. City Manager Wolfe stated that some events/gatherings last longer than 12:00 a.m., so he opted to begin the restriction at 2:00 a.m.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

MOTION:

Motion by Vice Mayor Mercado, seconded by Council Member Andrisek adopting Resolution No. 20-24 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Prohibiting Parking on the Median of Avenue of Flags South of Damassa Road (Median 2) Between the Hours of 2:00 AM and 6:00 AM”

VOTE:

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

Council Member Andrisek - Yes

Council Member King – Yes

Vice Mayor Mercado – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

9. **Appointment of Operations and Policy Board Representatives to Central Coast Community Energy**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider appointment of Mayor Sierra as the City’s representative to the Policy Board and the City Manager as the City’s representative to the Operations Board.

STAFF REPORT:

City Manager Wolfe presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

MOTION:

Motion by Mayor Sierra, seconded by Vice Mayor Mercado appointing Mayor Sierra as the City’s representative to the Policy Board and the City Manager as the City’s representative to the Operations Board at Central Coast Community Energy.

VOTE:

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 3-0-1, with Council Member King abstaining.
Council Member Andrisek - Yes
Council Member King – Abstain
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

10. Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) Potential Initiation of Litigation (One Item)

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Sierra adjourned the regular meeting at 8:04 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Holly Sierra
Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Reid
City Clerk