

CITY OF BUELLTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting of December 12, 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 Art Mercado and John Sanchez, Vice Mayor Ed Andrisek and Mayor Holly Sierra

Attendance Delayed: Council Member Dave King

Staff: City Manager Scott Wolfe, City Attorney Greg Murphy, Public Works Director Rose Hess, Finance Director Shannel Zamora, Planning Director Andrea Keefer, Recreation Supervisor Kyle Abello, and Staff Assistant Clare Barcelona

REORDERING OF AGENDA

Mayor Sierra requested on behalf of Council Member King to reorder the agenda to move Item No. 6 after Item No. 8 to allow Council Member King to be present for the discussion. The City Council agreed by consensus to this request.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Caroline Abate, Goleta, spoke in support of President Trump and capitalism.

Shoshanah Schwartz, representing the Buellton Senior Center invited everyone to take part in the Holiday Home Tour on December 4, with proceeds benefiting the Senior Center Meals on Wheels program.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **Minutes of November 14, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting**
2. **List of Claims to be Approved and Ratified for Payment to Date for Fiscal Year 2019/20**
3. **Year 2020 Proposed Calendar of City Council Meetings**
4. **Growth Mitigation Annual Compliance Report for Fiscal Year 2018-19**

The City Council agreed by consensus to pull Item No. 5 for public discussion.

MOTION:

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

VOTE:

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

Council Member Mercado – Yes

Council Member Sanchez - Yes

Vice Mayor Andrisek – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

5. **Approval of Avenue of Flags Median 2 Improvement Plans**

Peggy Brierton, Buellton, requested discussion regarding Item No. 5. Public Works Director Hess confirmed the cost estimate and provided an update regarding the project.

MOTION:

Motion by Mayor Sierra, seconded by Vice Mayor Andrisek, approving Consent Calendar Item 5 as listed.

VOTE:

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

Council Member Mercado – Yes

Council Member Sanchez - Yes

Vice Mayor Andrisek – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/ITEMS

Vice Mayor Andrisek requested a future agenda item to discuss aligning the Mayor and Vice Mayor terms.

Council Member Mercado stated the Winterfest events were well attended, as was the dedication of Village Park.

Mayor Sierra announced she attended the Blind and Disabled Golf Tournament. Mayor Sierra thanked the Parks and Recreation Department for hosting the Winterfest activities and parade.

Mayor Sierra stated that a public meeting regarding safety on Highway 154 is scheduled for Monday, December 16 at the Solvang Veteran’s Memorial Hall.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Sanchez provided an update regarding the Arts and Culture Committee.

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

Mayor Sierra announced that the Library Advisory Committee meeting was postponed.

BUSINESS ITEMS

7. Consideration of Request for Open Streets Event Sponsorship and Sheriff Deputies

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider sponsoring the Open Streets Event scheduled for October 4, 2020, as requested by the Santa Ynez Valley HEAL Coalition.

STAFF REPORT:

Recreation Supervisor Abello presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Dean Palius, representing Santa Ynez Valley HEAL Coalition spoke about the Open Streets event and thanked the City Council for their support of the event.

Larry Bishop, Buellton, spoke in support of the Open Streets event and requested the City Councils' sponsorship of the event. Mr. Bishop also requested the City include solar panels and an electric charging station on Median 2 of the Avenue of Flags.

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Requesting sponsorship from the City of Solvang
- Including vendor booths

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Mercado, seconded by Council Member Sanchez, approving sponsorship of the Open Streets Event scheduled for October 4, 2020, to include two Sheriff Deputies, use of public safety equipment, and a \$5,000 monetary donation for the event.

VOTE:

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

Council Member Mercado – Yes

Council Member Sanchez - Yes

Vice Mayor Andrisek – Yes

Mayor Sierra – Yes

8. **Resolution No. 19-22 – “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Requesting the County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors to Take Action to Effectively Regulate Commercial Cannabis Cultivation in the Santa Ynez Valley”**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider adoption of Resolution No. 19-22.

STAFF REPORT:

City Manager Wolfe presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Judi Stauffer, Buellton, stated that cities need to speak up and protect their residents from the effects of Cannabis cultivation.

Council Member King arrived at 6:43 p.m. and took his seat on the dais.

MOTION:

Motion by Council Member Mercado, seconded by Council Member Sanchez, approving Resolution No. 19-22 - "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Requesting the County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors to Take Action to Effectively Regulate Commercial Cannabis Cultivation in the Santa Ynez Valley"

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

6. Appointment of Vice Mayor**NOMINATION:**

Council Member King nominated Council Member Mercado as Vice Mayor for 2020. The City Council agreed by consensus to nominate Council Member Mercado as Vice Mayor for 2020.

9. Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees

- A. Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA)**
- B. County Library Advisory Committee**
- C. Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG)**
- D. Air Pollution Control District (APCD)**
- E. California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA)**
- F. League of California Cities (LOCC) – Voting Delegate**
- G. Buellton Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors (Ex Officio Member)**
- H. Multi-Jurisdictional Solid Waste Task Group**
- I. Economic Development Task Force**
- J. City/School District Joint Use Committee**
- K. Home for Good SBC**
- L. Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Authority**
- M. Central Management Area Committee for the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)**

The City Council nominated the following Council Members to the following Boards, Commissions, and Committees for 2020:

- A. Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA)**
Council Member Ed Andrisek
Vice Mayor Art Mercado (Alternate)
Council Member John Sanchez (Alternate)

- B. County Library Advisory Commission
Mayor Holly Sierra
Council Member John Sanchez (Alternate)**
- C. Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG)
Mayor Holly Sierra
Council Member Ed Andrisek (Alternate)**
- D. Air Pollution Control District (APCD)
Mayor Holly Sierra
Council Member Ed Andrisek (Alternate)**
- E. California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA)
Council Member Ed Andrisek
Vice Mayor Art Mercado (Alternate)**
- F. League of California Cities (LOCC)
Mayor Holly Sierra (Voting Delegate-Annual Conference)
Council Member Ed Andrisek (Alternate Voting Delegate-Annual Conference)**
- G. Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors (City Liaison Member)
Vice Mayor Art Mercado**
- H. Multi-Jurisdictional Solid Waste Task Group
Council Member John Sanchez
Vice Mayor Art Mercado**
- I. Economic Development Task Force
Mayor Holly Sierra
Council Member Dave King**
- J. City/School District Joint Use Committee
Vice Mayor Art Mercado**
- K. Home for Good SBC (Formerly Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness)
Council Member John Sanchez**
- L. Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Power Insurance Authority
Council Member John Sanchez**
- M. Central Management Area Committee for the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)
Council Member Ed Andrisek
Council Member John Sanchez (Alternate)**

DIRECTION:

The City Council agreed by consensus to appoint the Council Members as listed above to the respective Boards, Commissions, and Committees for 2020.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Wolfe provided an informational report to the City Council. Mr. Wolfe requested that all Council Members read through their storm water training materials and self-certify their training with the Public Works Director.

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, January 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Holly Sierra
Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Reid
City Clerk