

MINUTES

**Regular Meeting of the Lompoc
City Council and Lompoc Redevelopment Agency
Tuesday, June 7, 2011
City Hall, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Council Chambers**

CLOSED SESSION

OPEN SESSION - 6:15 P.M. – Council Chambers

Council Members Present: Ashley Costa, Cecilia Martner, Dirk Starbuck, Mayor Pro Tempore Bob Lingl, and Mayor John Linn.

Staff Present: City Administrator Laurel Barcelona, City Attorney Joe Pannone, and City Clerk Stacey Alvarez.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

CLOSED SESSION – Utility Conference Room

BUSINESS ITEM:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
City designated representatives: Laurel Barcelona, Beth Flamm-Overby, Brad Wilkie, Colin Tanner, and Joseph Pannone. Employee organization: Teamsters Local 381, Lompoc Police Officers Association, and MS&C and UR Groups.

OPEN SESSION - 7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers

Council/Agency Members Present: Ashley Costa, Cecilia Martner, Dirk Starbuck, Mayor Pro Tempore/Vice Chair Bob Lingl, and Mayor/Chair John Linn.

Staff Present: City Administrator/Executive Director Laurel Barcelona, City Attorney/General Counsel Joe Pannone, City Clerk/Secretary Stacey Alvarez, Management Services Director Brad Wilkie, Public Works Director Larry Bean, Police Chief Timothy Dabney, Planning Division Manager Lucille Breese, Parks, Recreation and Urban Forestry Director Dan McCaffrey, and Community Development Director Arleen Pelster.

Others Present: Colonel Richard W. Boltz, Ralph Harmon, Marilyn Radaz, Mary Saladino, JoEllen Chrones, Salty Honcharick, Jim MacKenzie, Charles Braodhead, Jr., John Thermos, Doris Forssi, Ellen Thermos, Darrell Tullis, Bob Dockerty, Rob Smith, Jason Reynolds, George Bedford, John Bliss, Ken Ostini, Toni Ostini, and Dennis Hedrick.

Paster John Adams gave the invocation and Mayor John Linn led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

PRESENTATIONS PRESENTED ELSEWHERE:

On June 1, 2011, Mayor Linn presented a Proclamation to Ron Pace Honoring him upon his Retirement from the Lompoc Unified School District at 1301 North A Street, Lompoc.

On June 7, 2011, Mayor Linn presented a Proclamation to representatives of the California Special Olympics in honor of **California Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run Day**, at 100 Civic Center Plaza, Lompoc CA.

PRESENTATIONS:

Colonel Richard W. Boltz, 30th Space Wing and Western Range Commander, Vandenberg Air Force Base gave a Presentation on the **State of Vandenberg Air Force Base**.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S STATUS REPORT: (Information only)

STAFF REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

City Administrator Laurel Barcelona stated the Council Appointed Single-Purpose Committee to Review the City's Building, Engineering, and Planning Development Review and Permit Procedures will present final findings and recommendations to Council in July. Council Member Lingl complimented Ms. Barcelona and City Staff for the positive change in the Planning, Building, and Engineering Divisions.

COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CITY 1. Discussion of Term Limits for Council and Mayor

City Administrator Laurel Barcelona presented a short summary of the Staff report and introduced City Clerk Stacey Alvarez, who presented information on a recent survey of all California cities and term limits and the estimated added cost to the City's Budget if a ballot measure is added to the 2012 General Election.

Public Comment:

1. Ralph Harmon spoke against a proposed ballot initiative for Council term limits.
2. Mary Saladino stated she is concerned about the cost of a proposed ballot initiative.

Council discussed the estimated cost for a City-initiated ballot measure, different definitions of term limits, and public input for the establishment of term limits. With a general consensus, Council requested a Council workshop be scheduled in September to allow for public input and Council discussion of term limits.

Council Member Lingl congratulated the Lompoc High School Varsity Baseball team for making it into the 2011 CIF Southern Section Division 5 championship game on June 4, 2011.

Mayor Linn presented a framed Fire Plan Map of the Lompoc Area from 1886, stating the Map will be on display in the Mayor's Office.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Marilyn Radaz, JoEllen Chrones, Salty Honcharick, Jim MacKenzie, Charles Brodhead Jr., John Thermos, Doris Forssi, Ellen Thermos, Mary Saladino, and Ralph Harmon spoke against the proposed partnership with the Channel Islands YMCA for management of the Lompoc Aquatic Center.
2. Darrell Tullis stated his opposition to term limits for Council, to the proposed partnership with the Channel Islands YMCA for management of the Lompoc Aquatic Center, and suggested the people should be able to vote on any change in management of the Aquatic Center.
3. Robert Dockerty spoke about the process for a request for proposal for Transit Operations Services.
4. Rob Smith spoke in favor of term limits for Council.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

All items listed under Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted, after one motion, in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless good cause is shown prior to the Council/Agency vote. Any items withdrawn from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion will be addressed immediately before the second Oral Communications, near the end of the meeting.

Council Member Costa noted two minor corrections to the May 17, 2011 Minutes. Council Member Lingl spoke about Consent Calendar Item No. 9, and announced the public can sign up for the reverse 911 service with a cell phone by contacting the Lompoc Police Department.

CONSENT CALENDAR: (cont'd)

ACTION: Motion/Second: Costa/Martner. By a 5-0 vote the City Council/Agency Board:

- CITY/RDA 2. Approved the Minutes of the Lompoc City Council and Lompoc Redevelopment Agency Regular Meeting of May 17, 2011, with noted corrections to page 1, the Closed Session time; and page 5 the return time after the announced break.
- CITY 3. Approved the expenditures for:
- Payroll of – 05/11/11 - \$1,026,555.22
 - Payroll of – 05/25/11 - \$1,213,266.54
 - Voucher Register of – 05/13/11 - \$401,597.68
 - *Voucher Register of – 05/20/11 - \$844,023.30
 - Voucher Register of – 05/27/11 - \$1,206,576.76
 - Manual Checks of – 05/16/11 - \$5,095.00
 - Credit Refunds of – 05/25/11 - \$1,154.66
 - *(Mayor Linn will not participate in the vote for Check #298669, Speedy Lock & Safe, \$18.95)
- CITY 4. **Approval of Resolution No. 5719(11), Designating Certain Streets for Permit Parking during the 2011 Flower Festival.**
- City Council adopted Resolution No. 5719(11), designating certain streets in the vicinity of Ryon Park for permit parking for residents only during the 2011 Flower Festival.
- CITY 5. **Approval of Resolution No. 5721(11), Closing Portions of “H” Street and Ocean Avenue for the 2011 Flower Festival Parade.**
- City Council adopted Resolution No. 5721(11), which authorizes the temporary closure of portions of “H” Street and Ocean Avenue.
- CITY 6. **Approval of Resolution No. 5718(11), Transferring Unclaimed Property (stale dated checks) to the City’s General Fund.**
- City Council adopted Resolution No. 5718(11), transferring property (stale dated checks) to the General Fund.
- CITY 7. **Memorandum of Understanding with Employees Represented by Lompoc City Firefighters International Association, Local 1906.**
- City Council approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the period of June 18, 2011 through June 30, 2013, between the Lompoc Firefighters International Association Local 1906 and the City of Lompoc; and adopt Resolution No. 5726(11), which provides salary/benefit adjustments for members of the Local 1906 bargaining unit.
- CITY 8. **Closing Portions of Ocean Avenue and “H” Street for the Lompoc High School Alumni Cruise Night – July 1, 2011.**
- City Council adopted Resolution No. 5727(11) which authorizes the temporary closure of portions of “H” Street and Ocean Avenue.
- CITY/RDA 9. **Response to the 2010-2011 Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury.**
- City Council/Agency Board reviewed the Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury report entitled “Improving Our Emergency Alert System in the 21st Century” and approved the attached proposed response letter presented on behalf of the City of Lompoc, pursuant to California Penal Code Subsections 933(c) and 933.05(a), (b) and (c).

PUBLIC HEARING:

CITY 10. **Consideration of Planning Commission Recommendation for Text Amendment to the City's Zoning Ordinance to Amend Section 17.108.020 – Definitions and Section 17.108.070 – Signs Allowed by Permit in Commercial and Industrial Zones.**

Planning Division Manager Lucille T. Breese presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Council discussed the proposed text amendment, allowable type of signage, information allowed on the signs, and the Planning Commission recommendations.

Public Comment:

1. Jason Reynolds spoke about the current wayfinding signs installed around the City.
2. George Bedford spoke in favor of the proposed text amendment.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Martner/Starbuck. By a 5-0 vote the City Council reviewed the Planning Commission recommendation; held the public hearing; adopted the Negative Declaration prepared for the Text Amendment and directed staff to file a Notice of Determination (NOD); directed staff to make language changes in Ordinance No. 1575(11), as suggested; "multiple" will be changed to read "three (3) or more" in Section 1, Section 2, and Section 2.1 and add "Individual business names are not permitted" to Section 2.6; and waived further reading and introduced Ordinance No. 1575(11), approving Text Amendment TA 11-01 amending the City's Zoning Ordinance Section 17.108.020 Definitions and section 17.108.070 – Signs Allowed by Permit in Commercial and Industrial Zones.

CITY 11. **Approval of Resolution No. 5722(11), City of Lompoc's Appropriation Limits for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

Management Services Director Brad Wilkie presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Public Comment: None

ACTION: Motion/Second: Costa/Martner. By a 5-0 vote the City Council adopted Resolution No. 5722(11), setting the fiscal year 2011-2012 appropriation limit at \$31,438,522.

CITY 12. **Approving Engineer's Report, Confirming Diagram and Assessment and Ordering Levy of Assessment for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 for the Park Maintenance and City Pool Assessment No. 2002-01**

Mayor Linn suggested Council open the Public Hearing for this item and then continue to the June 21, 2011 Regular Council Meeting.

Parks, Recreation and Urban Forestry Director Dan McCaffrey presented the Staff Report and recommendations and then introduced John Bliss from SCI Consulting Group, who presented a summary of the Engineer's Report for the Park Maintenance and City Pool Assessment District.

Council discussed the bonds used to finance the Lompoc Aquatic Center, debt repayment, assessments and the possibility of a City policy being written allowing assessments to be lowered with the debt repayment is complete.

Public Comment: None

ACTION: Motion/Second: Costa/Lingl. By a 5-0 vote the City Council continued the Public Hearing to the June 21, 2011 Regular Council Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

CITY 13. **Agreement with Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau for Tourism Promotion and Business Assistance Services.**

Community Development Director Arleen T. Pelster presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Council Member Martner suggested the contract language be changed to require different updated tourism promotion services from the Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce (LVCC).

Ken Ostini, the new CEO of the Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce, spoke about the current proposed Tourism Promotion and Business Assistance Services agreement. Mr. Ostini stated the proposed agreement was written to be less specific to allow the LVCC to be flexible in how the City's needs and requests are met.

Council discussed the proposed agreement, regular verbal updates provided to Council from an LVCC representative, and current and past LVCC memberships.

Public Comment:

1. Toni Ostini spoke about the collaborative effort between the LVCC and City Staff which produced a feature article in Westways Magazine featuring the Lompoc Aquatic Center.
2. Mary Saladino spoke in support of the Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce.
3. Ralph Harmon asked if any Council Member(s) is a current member of the Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce and stated he is in support of a more specific Tourism Promotion and Business Assistance Services agreement.

Council discussed the addition of specific services or goals to the proposed agreement, surrounding city's agreements with those city's chamber of commerce, the LVCC strategic plan and goals, specific criteria to evaluate successes with the Tourism Promotion and Business Assistance Services agreement, the LVCC's current practices of advertising in magazines and newspapers, and the terms of the proposed agreement.

Council Member Starbuck motioned to extend the meeting past 11:00 P.M., the motion was seconded by Council Member Martner and carried by a unanimous vote.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Costa/Martner. By a 5-0 vote the City Council authorized the Mayor to execute a two-year Agreement for Tourism Promotion and Business Assistance Services in the amount of \$216,000 for Tourism Promotion and Business Assistance Services and \$75,000 for reimbursable Tourism Advertising expenses, for a contract in the amount of \$291,000 over two years; adding language to the proposed agreement requiring a representative for the Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce give an oral report once a month during a regular Council Meeting; return within six (6) months with a strategic plan and goals for the LVCC and Staff to provide specific criteria for evaluating the success of the agreement quantitatively and qualitatively.

BREAK:

At 11:00 P.M. Mayor/Chair Linn announced a break. At 11:07 P.M., the meeting reconvened with all Council/Agency Members present.

CITY 14. **Review and Adoption of the 2011-2013 Biennial Budget**

City Administrator Laurel M. Barcelona presented the draft 2011-2013 Biennial Budget and Management Services Director Brad Wilkie presented summary information of General Fund appropriations, all other funds, and the Water and Wastewater Utilities revenues and expenditures budget information and current rates for both utilities.

NEW BUSINESS: (cont'd)
Item No. 14

Mayor Linn thanked Staff and Council for all the work completed to balance the FY 2011-2013 Biennial Budget. Council Members Martner and Lingl reiterated Mayor Linn's comments. Council Member Lingl asked Staff to confirm whether all utility rate increase proposals must be brought to Council for discussion and approval before an increase can be initiated. Management Services Director Brad Wilkie answered yes.

Public Comment: None

ACTION: Motion/Second: Starbuck/Martner. By a 5-0 vote the City Council reviewed the draft Proposed FY 2011-2013 Biennial Budget; received Staff's presentation on the Proposed FY 2011-2013 Biennial Budget; and approved Resolution No. 5725(11), adopting the Municipal Budget for Fiscal Years 2011-2013.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS : None

COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REQUESTS, COMMENTS, AND MEETING REPORTS:

Mayor Linn announced he attended several meetings and events.

Council Member Lingl requested Staff schedule a Joint Meeting with the Public Safety Commission in the near future, and also requested an update on the City budget every six months.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

Mayor Linn stated no reportable action was taken during the Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 11:53 P.M. Mayor/Chair Linn adjourned the Lompoc City Council/Redevelopment Agency to a Regular Meeting at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 21, 2011.

John H. Linn Mayor/Chair
City of Lompoc

ATTEST:

Stacey Alvarez
City Clerk
June 15, 2011