

MINUTES

**Regular Meeting of the Lompoc
City Council and Lompoc Redevelopment Agency
Tuesday, November 15, 2011
City Hall, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Council Chambers**

OPEN SESSION - 6:00 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.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

CLOSED SESSION – Utilities Conference Room

BUSINESS ITEM:

1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
Property: 112 No. H Street, 203 No. N Street, 709-713 No. E Street, 501-513 No. S Street, 508 No. T Street, and 500-504 North T Street, Lompoc, CA. City negotiators: Laurel Barcelona, City Administrator and Joseph W. Pannone, City Attorney. Negotiating parties: Steve Taber. Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment.

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

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Staff Present: City Administrator/Executive Director Laurel Barcelona, City Attorney/General Counsel Joe Pannone, City Clerk/Secretary Stacey Alvarez, Economic Development Director/Asst City Administrator Teresa Gallavan, Recreation Manager JoAnne Plummer, Senior Civil Engineer Michael Luther, Aviation/Transportation Administrator Richard Fernbaugh, Parks, Recreation & Urban Forestry Director Dan McCaffrey, Fire Battalion Chief Mark Bray, and Acting Fire Chief Jeffrey States.

Other Present: Darren Hunt, Carol Benham, Alice Milligan, Dawn Michels, Judith Neilson, Dave Schneider, Mary Saladino, Ralph Harmon, DeWayne Holmdahl, Ken Ostini, and Bob Schrum.

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION:

Mayor Linn stated Council will return to the Closed Session after the Open Session and said Council is working hard on the complicated issues concerning the Lompoc Housing and Community Development Corporation (LHCDC).

Darren Hunt gave the invocation and Mayor John Linn led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

PRESENTATIONS:

Council Member Martner presented a Proclamation honoring Bess Christianson in her service to the people of the City of Lompoc.

1. Lompoc Aquatic Center Annual Report.

Recreation Manager JoAnne Plummer presented the Lompoc Aquatic Center's Annual Report.

Council thanked Staff for their work that helped increase revenue and discussed the current fees for the use of the Aquatic Center, the programs currently offered, the hours of operation, the newly installed and dehumidification unit, upcoming plans for changes or additions to programs and Council encouraged Staff to continue to look for cost saving measures and revenue increasing programs.

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

City Administrator Laurel Barcelona introduced Senior Civil Engineer Michael Luther who presented monthly status reports on the Installation of Traffic Signal and Curb Ramps at Hwy 246 (Ocean Avenue) and "R" Street, the Lompoc Aquatic Center Dehumidification Project, and the Dick DeWees Community and Senior Center.

Mayor Linn asked Mr. Luther for estimation on the installation date for the Traffic Signal at Ocean Avenue and "R" Street and commented on the application of stucco outside of the Community Center. Mr. Luther stated his best guess regarding the installation date for the traffic signal would be summer of 2012.

Council Member Costa asked if the change orders received for the Community Center are above the amount budgeted for change orders. Mr. Luther stated the City has received a total of \$240,219 in change orders and the total budgeted for change orders was approximately \$547,000, leaving an approximate balance of \$340,000 available for change order items.

STAFF REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

City Administrator Laurel Barcelona stated the City has received two (2) responses to the City's Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for an interim shelter service provider for the City of Lompoc Marks House. Good Samaritan and Victory Outreach each delivered an RFQ to the City, and the City's Human Services Commission will review both documents and deliver a recommendation to Council as soon as possible at a future Council Meeting.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Alice Milligan expressed concern about properties inside the City Limits owned by the Lompoc Housing and Community Development Corporation (LHCDC), especially the "Old Theater" on H Street and suggested Council contact outside corporations and/or foundations that may be able to help renovate the property.
2. Dawn Michels spoke in favor of the Lompoc Aquatic Center to be kept under the management of City Staff.
3. Judith Neilson voiced support for the Parks & Recreation City Staff members who she said are always professional and helpful and expressed concern about the YMCA's Lompoc center and the current management of that facility.
4. Dave Schneider spoke against the YMCA becoming the managing entity of the Lompoc Aquatic Center and stated the City Staff is doing an excellent job.
5. Mary Saladina commended City Staff for their hard work of managing the Lompoc Aquatic Center and asked if Council has a plan in place to monitor the facility if another entity takes over the management of the Aquatic Center.
6. Darren Hunt offered an apology if he offended anyone with his earlier invocation prayer.
7. Ralph Harmon stated the Aquatic Center is generating tax revenue for the City and that he uses and enjoys the facility.
8. Carol Benham thanked Council for the information given regarding the Lompoc Housing and Community Development Corporation (LHCDC), commented on Santa Barbara County's recently released information on LHCDC and asked Council continue to inform the public about LHCDC in open meetings as much as possible.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (cont'd)

9. DeWayne Holmdahl spoke about the Aquatic Center, stating the facility is a draw to bring in visitors from outside the Lompoc Valley, but so are some of the City's unique retail shops, he commended the Lompoc Police Department and the Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce for putting together a very informative and useful crime prevention workshop for local area businesses.

10. Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce CEO Ken Ostini spoke about current and upcoming Chamber events including the Business Forum – Crime Prevention Class held on November 15, 2011, the Chamber Luncheon that will introduce the 2011-2012 Leadership Lompoc Valley class and the November Chamber Mixer both, on November 17, 2011.

Council Member Lingl asked Mr. Ostini if sponsors are still needed for the year's Leadership program. Mr. Ostini stated he believed the Chamber had received enough sponsors.

Council Member Martner asked if the Chamber has a completed strategic plan that can be presented for review to Council. Mr. Ostini stated the Chamber Board is scheduled to review the plan on November 29, 2011, and will decide how to distribute the completed and approved strategic plan.

Council Member Costa congratulated Mr. Ostini for winning the grand prize of 75 bottles of local area wine from the The Turducken Group's fundraising raffle.

Mayor Linn spoke about The Turducken Group's fundraising raffle and the Mayors' Ball auction.

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.

CITY/RDA 2. **Approved the Minutes** of the Lompoc City Council and Lompoc Redevelopment Agency Regular Meeting of November 1, 2011.

CITY 3. **Approved the expenditures for:**

Payroll of 10/26/11 - \$1,228,229.16
Voucher Register of 10/21/11 - \$618,559.75
Voucher Register of 10/28/11 - \$1,070,351.10
Manual Checks of 10/31/11 - \$11,869.61
Manual Checks of 11/02/11 - \$1,572,528.26

CITY 4. **Approval of Cooperative Purchasing Agreement from King County, WA., for Video Systems for Buses and Authorization to Issue Purchase Order for Video Systems from Apollo Video Technology.**

Aviation/Transportation Administrator Richard Fernbaugh

Council authorized the City Administrator to sign a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with King County, WA for video systems for our Transit fleet; and authorize the Purchasing and Materials Manager to issue a purchase order with Apollo Video Technology to purchase video systems for our transit fleet.

CITY 5. **Adoption of Ordinance No. 1579(11), Amending Lompoc Municipal Code Subsections 4.04.090 A. and E. Relating to the Membership of the Airport Commission.**

Council waived further reading and adopted Ordinance No. 1579(11)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Bob Schrum asked Council to make an effort of encouraging the re-installation of a retail grocery store on the South West side of town.

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

Council Member Costa requested Council's approval to apply with the League of California Cities to become a Community Services Committee Member, stating this has an approximate annual cost to the City of \$1,900.00. Council Member Martner asked Staff to clarify what fund this expenditure would be drawn from. City Administrator Laurel Barcelona explained the cost is budgeted under Council Travel & Meetings and that account has enough to cover this expense. With a general consensus Council approved Council Member Costa's request.

Council Member Starbuck commended and thanked everyone involved with the flag pole dedication ceremony at Beattie Park on Saturday, November 5, 2011, stating the event was terrific.

Mayor Linn stated he attended two separate events at the Vandenberg Air Force Base on Veteran's Day, the **Run to Remember** and the dedication of California Blvd. For Airman Johnson.

RECESS:

At 8:58 P.M. Mayor/Chair Linn announced a break. At 10.31 P.M., the meeting reconvened with all Council/Agency Members present.

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION:

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

STAFF REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

City Administrator Laurel Barcelona announced the City and County will be conducting a test drill of the Reverse 911 System on Thursday November 17, 2011 from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 10:33 P.M. Mayor/Chair Linn adjourned the Lompoc City Council/Redevelopment Agency to a Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 P.M. on December 6, 2011.

John H. Linn Mayor/Chair
City of Lompoc

ATTEST:

Stacey Alvarez
City Clerk
December 14, 2011