



CITY OF HUGHSON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
 CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
 7018 Pine Street, Hughson, CA

MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2014 – 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Matt Beekman

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Matt Beekman
 Mayor Pro Tem Jeramy Young
 Councilmember Jill Silva
 Councilmember George Carr
 Councilmember Harold Hill

Staff Present: Raul Mendez, City Manager
 Monica Streeter, Deputy City Attorney
 Darin Gharat, Chief of Police Services
 Dominique Spinale, Management Analyst/Deputy City Clerk
 Jim Duval, Interim Community Development Director
 Lisa Whiteside, Finance Manager
 Sam Rush, Public Works Superintendent

FLAG SALUTE: Mayor Matt Beekman

INVOCATION: Reverend Ben Bush

1. PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR (No Action Can Be Taken):

Heather Bailey, Hughson Library Branch Manager updated the Council on planned activities at the local branch for April including the In-N-Burger reading incentive program and the Snuggles Project Day.

2. PRESENTATIONS: NONE.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

All items listed on the Consent Calendar are to be acted upon by a single action of the City Council unless otherwise requested by an individual Councilmember for special consideration. Otherwise, the recommendation of staff will be accepted and acted upon by roll call vote.

- 3.1: Approve the March 10, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes.
- 3.2: Approve the Warrants Register.
- 3.3: Approve Waiving the Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance No. 2014-01, Amending Hughson Municipal Code Title Chapter 2.04 – Meeting Location.
- 3.4: Approve Waiving the Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance No. 2014-02, Amending Hughson Municipal Code Title Chapter 3.28 – Informal Bidding.
- 3.5: Approve Waiving Second Reading and Adopt of the Ordinance No. 2014-03, Amending Hughson Municipal Code Title Chapter 9.36 – Massage Establishments.
- 3.6: Receive and Accept the 2013 General Plan Progress Report and the Annual Progress Report on the Implementation of the Housing Element.

SILVA/CARR 5-0 motion passes to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 4.1: Accept the Progress Report on the City of Hughson Lighting and Landscaping Districts and Benefit Assessment Districts and Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with the City of Turlock for the Provision of Associated Administrative and Engineering Services.

City Manager Mendez updated the Council on the staff's work on the City's special assessment districts since the last reporting. Draft agreement with City of Turlock for administrative/engineering support had been prepared for consideration and authority for City Manager to execute was recommended. Turlock City Council is anticipated to consider agreement for approval on April 22, 2014. City Manager Mendez highlighted the key provisions in the draft agreement including the term, scope of service and compensation. City's discussions with Chevron Energy Solutions regarding an comprehensive energy efficiency audit was also mentioned.

BEEKMAN/SILVA 5-0 motion passes to accept report and authorize City Manager to execute the agreement with the City of Turlock for the provision of administrative and engineering services for the City of Hughson Lighting and Landscaping Districts and Benefit Assessment Districts.

- 4.2: Adopt Resolution No. 2014-10, Establishing the City of Hughson's Legislative Program.

City Manager Mendez provided some background to the Hughson Legislative Program that had been considered by the City Council previously but had been sent back to staff for revisions. Establishment of Hughson Legislative Program would set the framework for handling of federal and state legislative items by City staff. Stephen Qualls from the League of California Cities was in attendance and spoke to the importance of legislative advocacy and made recommendations for consideration including allowing the Mayor to designate someone to act on his behalf on the preparation of position letters and incorporating sections in the Program that addressed retirement and pension reform and emphasizing the preservation of local control and funding.

BEEKMAN/CARR 5-0 motion passes to adopt Resolution No. 2014-10, Establishing the City of Hughson's Legislative Program with direction to the City Manager to incorporate the amendments suggested by the League of California Cities representative at the meeting.

Stephen Qualls shared information regarding upcoming legislative events including District meeting with Assemblymember Kristin Olson (April 4, 2014), Legislative Briefing Webinar (April 10, 2014) and League of California Cities Legislative Action Day (April 23, 2014).

5. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING: NONE.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- 6.1:** Consider the Adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Seventh Street Park Project (and adopt Resolution No. 2014-11(a), as later presented by staff).

Interim Community Development Director Duval presented the staff report on this item that had been discussed and forwarded by the Hughson Planning Commission for formal adoption. Information regarding the State of California Land and Water Conservation Fund grant application submitted by the City of Hughson, based on prior Council direction, was provided in addition to the environmental review process followed to meet the necessary requirement for clearance. Reference to local agricultural mitigation measures were made as well as the appraisal for the subject property—the cost of which was being shared equally by the City of Hughson and the Hughson Unified School District. Council directed staff to bring the status of the grant application, funding available for the match requirement and future development, and property purchase price back for further discussion and direction.

CARR/SILVA 5-0 motion passes for Adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Seventh Street Park Project and adopted Resolution No. 2014-11(a), entered and presented into the meeting by Deputy City Clerk Spinale and Attorney Streeter, as required by state law for Mitigated Negative Declarations.

6.2: Consider the Adoption of the Low Impact Development (LID) Manual.

Interim Community Development Director Duval presented the staff report on this item that had been discussed and forwarded by the Hughson Planning Commission for formal adoption. Information regarding the process used to develop the Low Impact Development Manual was shared which included using the City of Riverbank's LID Manual as a template that was customized for Hughson.

YOUNG/HILL 5-0 motion passes for Adoption of the Low Impact Development (LID) Manual for the City of Hughson.

7. CORRESPONDENCE: NONE.**8. COMMENTS:****8.1: Staff Reports and Comments: (Information Only – No Action)****City Manager:**

City Manager Mendez updated the Council on the recent action by the Stanislaus Council of Government Policy Board to not proceed with the local ½ cent sales tax transportation measure in 2014 based on the results of recent polling, the Community Development Director recruitment that had been narrowed down to three finalists with a decision pending soon and upcoming events (April 14th Joint Meeting with the Hughson Unified School District and the April 28th Special Meeting of the Hughson City Council/State of the City Address.

City Clerk:

Community Development Director: Interim Community Development Director Jim Duval shared recent discussions with Dollar General and Chevron Energy Solutions.

Director of Finance:**Police Services:****City Attorney:**

8.2: Council Comments: (Information Only – No Action)

Mayor Pro Tem Young discussed the Economic Development Committee meeting held earlier in the evening and the discussion regarding development of an economic development marketing plan for the City of Hughson.

Councilmember Hill shared that he had attended Turlock Government Night on March 20, 2014 at California State University, Stanislaus.

8.3: Mayor’s Comments: (Information Only – No Action)

Mayor Beekman discussed the Mayor’s meeting that he had attended and reported that he had been appointed as a voting member of the Local Area Formation Commission (LAFCO). He also shared his recent visit to the Newman Theater and experience in the City’s downtown area that was very impressive.

9. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING: 8:05 P.M.

9.1: CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6.

Agency Negotiator:	Raul L. Mendez, City Manager
Employee Organizations:	Operating Engineers Local No. 3 (Skilled Trades, Professional and Technical)
	Management

10. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION:

No reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

HILL/BEEKMAN motion passes to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 P.M.



MATT BEEKMAN, Mayor



DOMINIQUE SPINALE, Deputy City Clerk