



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

**MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2014 – 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Matt Beekman

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Matt Beekman
Councilmember Jill Silva
Councilmember George Carr
Councilmember Harold Hill

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Jeramy Young

Staff Present: Raul Mendez, City Manager
Daniel Schroeder, 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: Mayor Matt Beekman

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

Citizen Randy Fannon expressed concerns regarding the Seventh Street Park Project. Mayor Beekman advised that the project is listed on the Agenda and will be discussed further during the meeting.

2. PRESENTATIONS:

- 2.1:** A Proclamation of the City Council of the City of Hughson Declaring April 13-19, 2014 as National Library Week.

Deputy City Clerk Spinale presented a Proclamation in support of National Library Week to Heather Bailey, Branch Manager of the Hughson Library. Ms. Bailey thanked the City Council for the Proclamation and updated the Council on the upcoming events for this month.

- 2.2:** A Partnership for Progress, Presented by Chevron Energy Solutions.

Director Duval introduced John Paul Primeau and Mark Dure-Smith from Chevron Energy Solutions, who made a presentation to the City Council on sustainability and some possible energy solutions for the City of Hughson.

Mayor Beekman and the members of the Council asked questions and provided feedback on the information presented by Chevron. Mr. Primeau and Mr. Dure-Smith will conduct some additional research and analysis and come back to the Council with a designed proposal for the City of Hughson.

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 24, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes.
- 3.2:** Approve the Warrants Register.
- 3.3:** Approve the Treasurer's Report for the Months of January and February, 2014.
- 3.4:** Adopt Resolution No. 2014-11, Waiving Fees for the City Wide Yard Sale Scheduled for April 26-27, 2014.
- 3.5:** Adopt Resolution No. 2014-12, Supporting California Safe Digging Month.
- 3.6:** Adopt Resolution No. 2014-13, Appointing John Padilla as City Treasurer for the City of Hughson.

Before reviewing the Consent Calendar, City Manager Mendez took this time to introduce the newly appointed City Treasurer, John Padilla. John is a current MPA student at CSU, Stanislaus and works full time at the CSU Stanislaus Library. He is also currently the Graduate Student Intern with the City of Hughson.

John introduced himself to the Council and expressed his excitement and interest in working with the City as both an Intern and as the City Treasurer.

SILVA/CARR 4-0 (YOUNG- Absent) 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.**

City Manager Mendez advised the Council that City staff met with Turlock Municipal Services Department to introduce respective project teams in preparation for working on the assessment districts. They also discussed a proposed project schedule for Fiscal Year 2014-2015. The Public Hearing to confirm the intention to levy and collect the assessments is scheduled for the City Council's consideration on July 14.

No action of the City Council was taken on this item.

5. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING: NONE.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- 6.1: Approve the Agreement Between the City of Hughson and the Hughson Unified School District for School Resource Officer Services.**

City Manager Mendez presented the Staff Report on this item. The Council deliberated on this item and discussed the joint meeting of the Council and School District that was held previous to the Council Meeting. The Council requested that Chief Gharat and City Manager Mendez meet to discuss alternative uses for the SLESF funding if in the future the School District decides not to fund the School Resource Officer position.

HILL/CARR 4-0 (YOUNG-Absent) motion passes to Approve the Agreement Between the City of Hughson and the Hughson Unified School District for School Resource Officer Services and Authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement.

- 6.2: Discuss and Provide Direction to the City Manager Regarding the Negotiation of a Purchase Price Agreement with the Hughson Unified School District for the 7th Street Park Acquisition Project.**

City Manager Mendez presented the Staff Report on this item, updating the Council that the School District expressed desire in keeping a portion of the proposed property for its Agricultural Program (Legal Parcel 1, 9.4 acres). The

City's original grant application was for the entire acreage of 29.05, but seeks to revise the scope of the application to the 19.65 acres (Legal Parcel 2).

Mayor Beekman opened this item for public input and Citizen Randy Fannon expressed her concerns regarding this project. Ms. Fannon was concerned about the lighting, parking, increased traffic, and loitering that may become issues when the area becomes a park. As a resident living near the property, she advised she would not be in support of the park if these potential issues affected her.

The Council discussed each of these issues and advised Ms. Fannon that the actual park design has not been completed and that at this point the City is in the process of trying to obtain grant funding to acquire the property. The Council encouraged Ms. Fannon to participate in the development of the future park if the City continues to move forward with the development of Seventh Street Park. Her participation in the City's Parks and Recreation Commission was encouraged.

The Council directed staff to reduce the scope of the application to the 19.65 acres (Legal Parcel 2) and continue moving forward with grant application and the process to necessary to purchase the property from the Hughson Unified School District.

7. CORRESPONDENCE: NONE.

8. COMMENTS:

8.1: Staff Reports and Comments: (Information Only – No Action)

City Manager:

City Manager Mendez shared that Jaylen French (currently with the Stanislaus Council of Governments) had been selected and accepted the position of Community Development Director and would be introduced to the City Council and the community at the April 28, 2014 meeting. City Manager Mendez also reminded the Council and public of the upcoming Citywide Yard Sale (April 26-27) and Clean Up (May 2) Events.

City Clerk:

Community Development Director:

Director of Finance:

Police Services:

City Attorney:

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

Councilmember Carr updated the Council on his attendance at the 2+2 Fire meeting and reminded the Council of the Easter Egg Hunt at the Odd Fellows on April 19.

Councilmember Silva updated the Council on her attendance at the Lorraine’s Luncheon Event, hosted by the Hughson Family Resource Center.

Councilmember Hill updated the Council on his attendance at the 2+2 Fire meeting.

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

9. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING: 8:31 P.M.

9.1: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of section 549569: 2 potential cases.

10. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION: 8:41 P. M.

No reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

CARR/HILL motion passes to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 P.M.

MATT BEEKMAN, Mayor

DOMINIQUE SPINALE, Deputy City Clerk