



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

**MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2015 – 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 L. Mendez, City Manager
Daniel J. Schroeder, City Attorney
Jaylen French, Community Development Director
Dominique Spinale, Assistant to the City Manager/City Clerk
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):

No Public Comments.

2. PRESENTATIONS:

2.1: Certificate of Recognition to Elias Ruiz for Innovation, as Winner of the Stanislaus Innovation Challenge through his Feather Raft Entry and Act of Heroism, rescuing a man from possible drowning in the Tuolumne River.

Mayor Beekman presented Mr. Ruiz and his Family a Certificate of Recognition and made the following statement:

"On behalf of the Hughson City Council, I would like to present a Certificate of Recognition to Elias Ruiz, a resident of Hughson, for Innovation, as Winner of the Stanislaus Innovation Challenge through his Feather Raft Entry and Act of Heroism in rescuing a man from possible drowning in the Tuolumne River. I would like to congratulate Elias for his innovation and recent award to help advance his Feather Raft prototype. I would encourage him to meet with our staff to learn about the City's business assistance programs. This is exactly the type of business venture it was designed to support. More importantly, I would like to extend our appreciation to Elias for his act as a Good Samaritan. During these times, it is important to stop and appreciate the extraordinary actions of our residents."

Mr. Ruiz thanked the City Council and talked about his experience with the Innovation Challenge and rescuing a man from drowning in the Tuolumne River.

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 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 8, 2014.
- 3.2: Approve the Warrants Register.
- 3.3: Adopt Resolution No. 2015-01, Renewing the Wastewater Discharge Permit for the Dairy Farmers of America Milk Processing Facility located at 2331 Tully Road and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Permit.
- 3.4: Approve the Revised City of Hughson Goals and Objectives.

HILL/CARR 4-0 (YOUNG- Absent) motion passes to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 4.1: Authorize the City Manager to Execute the State of California-Natural Resources Agency Department of Parks and Recreation Grant Contract from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for the Seventh Street Acquisition Project on behalf of the City of Hughson, Inclusive of any Final Edits by the City Attorney, for the Purchase of 19.65 acres of Real Property owned by the Hughson Unified School District near the corner of Whitmore Avenue and Seventh Street upon Resolution of Outstanding Title Issues and Authorize the City Manager to provide Proper Notice with

Findings to Appropriate Agencies and Parties since the Transaction Involves Land within an Agricultural Preserve.

City Manager Mendez presented the Staff Report on this item, advising the Council that staff requested and was granted a thirty (30) day extension by the State, in order to properly research some items of concern that came up during a property title search conducted by the City Attorney's Office in the process of following the notice requirements for the acquisition of this property.

Attorney Schroeder advised that these items were related to the notice of procedures regarding the Williamson Act and two easement restrictions filed on the property from 1907. Staff will research the items and work to resolve them within the thirty day extension.

SILVA/BEEKMAN 4-0 (YOUNG- Absent) motion passes to direct staff to issue findings that the location is not based primarily on a consideration of the lower cost of acquiring land in an agricultural preserve, and that if the land is agricultural land covered under the Williamson Act Contract, that there is no other land within or outside the preserve on which it is reasonably feasible to locate the public improvement.

5. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING: NONE.

6. NEW BUSINESS: NONE.

7. CORRESPONDENCE:

7.1: Update of the Hatch Road and Santa Fe Avenue Signal Project.

7.2: 2+2 Committee Agenda with School District for January 12, 2015.

7.3: Parks and Recreation Commission Agenda for January 13, 2015.

8. COMMENTS:

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

City Manager:

City Manager Mendez updated the Council on the thank you letter received from Pastor Denice Leslie regarding the Thanksgiving Dinner that was held at the Senior Community Center. He also reminded the Council of the LOVE Hughson planning meeting scheduled on January 15, the Chamber of

Commerce Board of Directors Meeting scheduled on January 14, and the Goals & Objectives Workshop scheduled for this Saturday, January 17.

City Clerk:

City Clerk Spinale provided an update on the status of the Citywide Income Survey, related to the Well No. 7 Replacement Project (Well No. 9).

Community Development Director:

Director French updated the Council on the businesses opening with assistance from the business incentive programs offered by the City, the Tully Road Project, the Starn Park Play Structure Replacement, Dollar General Project, and the CMAQ Application for the Whitmore Avenue Sidewalk Project.

Director of Finance:

Police Services:

City Attorney:

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

Councilmember Carr updated the Council his attendance at the new Sierra Vista Facility, and advised that the Hughson Family Resource Center was discussed as the model program for other centers to grow. He also advised them of the Ag Boosters Crab Feed on March 7 and the Ag Boosters Dinner and Auction Fundraiser on February 7.

Councilmember Silva updated the Council on her attendance at the School 2+2 Meeting.

Councilmember Hill updated the Council on his attendance at the Annual League of California Cities Holiday Dinner and congratulated Mayor Beekman on his interview with Charter Communications on the Seventh Street Park Project.

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

Mayor Beekman updated the Council on his attendance at the Chamber Mixer in December, and then discussed with the Council the feasibility of a community swimming pool, advising that if the City were to move forward with a pool, it needs constituent support.

9. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING: NONE.

10. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION: NONE.

ADJOURNMENT:

CARR/BEEKMAN motion passes to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M.



MATT BEEKMAN, Mayor



DOMINIQUE SPINALE ROMO, City Clerk