HUGHSON CITY COUNCIL and
HUGHSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 24, 2011
REGULAR SESSION 7:00 P.M.

Council Chambers
7018 Pine Street, Hughson CA
City Hall

January 24, 2011
Regular Scheduled Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Council Members Young, Beekman, Silva, Carr and Mayor/Chair Bawanan

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Bawanan

INVOCATION: Reverend

AGENDA REVIEW:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. PRESENTATIONS:

a) **Recognition of Deputies David Waldbauer and Brendan Caraway in Appreciation for their Dedicated law Enforcement Services to the Citizens of the City of Hughson** (CC) Rasmussen

Chief Rasmussen and Mayor Bawanan presented Certificate of Appreciation to Deputies David Waldbauer and Brendon Caraway thanking them for their dedicated service to the City of Hughson.

b) **Presentation from CEO Bill Bassitt of the Stanislaus Economic Development and Workforce Alliance** (CC) Bill Bassitt

Bill Bassitt provided information faced with the real tragedy of unemployment in Stanislaus County and the State. He provided background information on the formation and services provided through the Workforce Alliance. Mr. Bassitt discussed the benefits to small businesses and cities throughout the County area and their accomplishments in working with existing and attracting new businesses. He provided an overview of the challenges facing the economic growth and lacking resources, the need to aggressively market, retain existing businesses and the need

to provide resources. He noted the obligations they have to better prepare the communities to put people back to work. The Alliance has profession staff to put together the strategies to face those challenges. He requested Council enter into a cooperation agreement with the Alliance to evaluate the community buying tendencies and finalizing the strategy in Hughson. This would tell those looking to relocate where the citizens are spending their dollars and allow the information used to attract new businesses.

Mr. Bassit will schedule a meeting with the City Manager and the Mayor to present a strategy to utilize the Workforce Alliance in cooperation with the City of Hughson.

Council Member Beekman asked about incubator businesses. Mr. Bassett explained that those incubators provide the needs of the business without the impact of full cost that could financially affect a business just starting out. This type of business provides businesses with protection from the real costs of doing business. He briefly discussed public grants that would assist those types of businesses.

Mr. Bassitt discussed the services provided by the Senior Core of Retired Executives (SCORE). This agency is willing to help businesses at no charge. SCORE has indicated that they are willing work with the Alliance to develop a business plan and to work with the local businesses before they start their business, projecting information to assure that the business would succeed.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

a) **Consideration and Approval - Minutes of Regular Session of January 10, 2011** (CC-RDA) Winterbottom.

b) **Consideration and Approval of Treasurer's Report for the month(s) of December 2010**. (CC/RDA) Paul

c) **Consideration and Approval of Warrants for the month(s) of January 2011**. (CC/RDA) Paul

d) **Consideration of Appointment for Parks and Recreation.** (CC) Clark

Recommendation: Council/RDA by motion approve minutes of Special Workshop session of January 10, 2011; Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2011; Warrants for the month of January 2011; Direct Staff to Agenize the Reappointment of Commissioners Brownell and Hernandez-Codallos to Two-Year Terms

ACTION: Council Member Beekman motioned to approve the Consent Calendar, Items a, c, and d; seconded by Council Member Silva. Motion carried: (5-0) Approved: minutes of Special Workshop session of January 10, 2011; Warrants for the month of January 2011; Direct Staff to Agenize the Reappointment of Commissioners Brownell and Hernandez-Codallos to Two-Year Terms

Council Member Carr requested Item B pulled for further discussion
He questioned the water developer impact fees. City Manager Whitemyer explained that the deficit reflects a cash flow issue, explaining that funding from the State will be reimbursed once the City files the claims for reimbursement for the project. He noted that Well #8 project is complete and once the City pays the Contractor, the City will be reimbursed that cost, which will be reflected in the budget at that time. City Manager explained that due to the time limitation of the report, that the Treasurer's report was not completed. However, in the future, the Treasurer's report will include justification of that report as submitted to Council. Council Member Beekman questioned the Transportation cash flow. City Manager Whitemyer explained that staff is reviewing the process of auditing those funds, which will be provided when the funds are identified.
ACTION: Item B: Council Member Carr motioned to approve the Consent Calendar item b, seconded by Mayor Bawanan. Ayes in favor: (5-0) Item B Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2011;

CITY BUSINESS - CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

3. Adopt a Joint Resolution 2011-007/RDA 2011-001 Opposing the Governor's Proposal to Abolish Redevelopment Agencies in California (CC/RDA) Whitemyer

Recommendation: By motion adopt Resolution 2011-007/RDA 2011-001 Opposing the Proposed State Action to Abolish Redevelopment Agencies and Authorize City Council and Staff to Communicate its opposition to the Governor's Proposal.

City Manager Whitemyer presented the report to Council. He outlined the Governor's proposal to abolish the Redevelopment Agency and requested Council adopt the Resolution as recommended and authorize staff to present a letter of opposition as proposed.
He noted that Economic Development is the key to the success of the State and the RDA pays a huge factor in this success. If abolished, this would eliminate the City's opportunity to go forward with the 48 unit housing project and future building would not continue. City Manager Whitemyer explained that if the Governor succeeds in the elimination of the Redevelopment Agency, will remove future tools needed for Redevelopment and the Economic Development with Hughson and will also create huge increases to the General Fund Expenditures which could be a dire impact to the City.

ACTION: Council member Beekman motioned to adopt Resolution 2011-001 by title only, seconded by Council Member Carr. Council Members: Young, Beekman, Silva, Carr and Mayor Bawanan. Motion Carried: (5-0) Resolution 2011-001 Adopted.

Resolution 2011-001 - Opposing the Proposed State Action to Abolish Redevelopment Agencies and Authorize City Council and Staff to Communicate its opposition to the Governor's Proposal

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER: There is none scheduled

CORRESPONDENCE: None Scheduled

4. STAFF UPDATES AND INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

Staff may provide a brief report on notable items of Business, informational items and topics related to City/Agency Business, Community Events of Interest. The Brown Act does not allow discussion or action by the legislative body unless the item is specifically agendize for Council/Redevelopment Business.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

a) Goals and Objectives 2011-2012 (Scheduled Saturday, January 29, 2011 @ 9:00 am – Council Chambers) 2nd phase of the City's Goals and Objectives.

City Manager Whitemyer noted that the Goals and Objective meeting scheduled will include all the amendments and invited the public to participate in the meeting as well. He noted that Economic Development Action Committee (EDAC) had a meeting in Modesto with City representatives and businesses. The purpose is to secure funding to create jobs and stimulate the economy and to work with Council to create ideas how we can put together a plan for businesses.

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND BUILDING REPORT: Community Development Director Clark announced the planting of trees at Fontana Park.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: provided 2011 Brown Act, no changes..

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a) **Fire District 2+2 Committee:** Council Members Young and Carr and City Manager Whitemyer; Raymond Camagna, Kevin Voss; and Gus Villareal - Alternate (meeting scheduled January 19, 2011 @ 5:30 at Fire Station)

Council Member Young reported that they held their first meeting and looks forward to working together and the need to assure that fees pay for the fire services needed within the community.

b) **School District 2+2 Committee:** Council Members Young and Silva and City Manager Whitemyer; Superintendent Beck, Board Members Gipp and Applegate (meeting scheduled February 14, 2011 @ 5:30 City Hall)

c) **Finance Audit Sub-Committee:** Council Members Silva and Beekman; and City Manager Whitemyer

a. Meeting Scheduled January 24, 2011 @ 5:00 p.m.

Council Member Silva and Beekman reported from the Finance Subcommittee meeting, where the City is facing multiple challenges. Council appreciated the

reports that were provided and looks forward to having those form continue to be provided.

d) **Hughson Family Resource Center Committee:** Mayor Bawanan and Council Member Carr

e) **League of California Cities: Executive Committee:** Mayor Bawanan and Council Member Young

f) **Regional Surface Water Supply Project Steering Committee:** Council Members Carr and Beekman

g) **Stanislaus County of Governments (StanCOG):** Council Members Beekman and Silva

Council Member Beekman reported that discussion included sales tax increases, however that issue was deferred to the next meeting. He noted that he was not supportive of a tax increase due to the stressed economy and would not support such a tax.

h) **Stanislaus County Disaster Council:** Mayor Bawanan and Alternate Council Member Young.

i) **Stanislaus County – Economic Development Action Committee (EDAC):** Mayor Bawanan and Bryan Whitemyer, City Manager

j) **Stanislaus County Workforce Alliance Board:** Council Member Young.

Council Member Young reported that services include training opportunities and the City needs to take advantage of those services.

k) **Turlock Mosquito Abatement District:** Council Member Carr

Council Member Carr reported on the continued mosquito and West Nile Virus and to ensure that standing water is abated and encourages citizens to report any possible areas that may become infected with Mosquitoes.

l) **Mayors Association Representative:**

Mayor Bawanan reported that Gary Hinshaw from Stanislaus County Disaster Council would like to provide a presentation to Council on the Continuation of the Government Emergency Plan, sometime in March, presentation of Emergency plans and medical reserve training.

Mayor Bawanan also reported that He will be attending a meeting with Hughson Family Resources on January 25, 2011.

6. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT:

CITY COUNCIL DIRECTION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Request to schedule Gary Hinshaw, Stanislaus County Disaster Council – March 2011.

NOTICE OF COMMUNITY EVENTS:

- March 19, 2011 – Athletic Boosters Club Crab Feed – St Anthony's Church
- Arboretum Wine and Cheese Festival February 20, 2011 2-5 p.m. Free
- Hughson Ag Boosters annual Dinner Auction February 5, dine in, take out or drive through. Live auction after Dinner, proceeds back to students. Ag Building at Hughson High on Seventh Street.
- April 30, 2011 – Hughson Family Resource Event

7. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:

CLOSED SESSION: Council Members adjourned at 7:56 p.m. to meet in Closed Session for the following scheduled item(s):

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

a) **ANTICIPATED LITIGATION** Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9 (1 case)

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT: Adjourned at 8:19 p.m. to the CITY COUNCIL/RDA to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council/Redevelopment Agency scheduled on February 14, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hughson City Hall, 7018 Pine Street, Hughson CA 95326;

These minutes were duly approved on this 14th day of February 2011 by a unanimous Consent of the Council/RDA by the following Roll Call Vote:

Ayes in Favor:
Noes:
Absent:
Abstain:

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Ramon Bawanan, Mayor | Michele Penirian Winterbottom, MMC, City Clerk