



MINUTES

City Council Meeting

Council Chambers, Chowchilla City Hall
130 S. Second Street, Chowchilla, CA 93610

Tuesday, April 23, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: 6:03pm

Mayor: John Chavez

Mayor Pro Tem: Waseem Ahmed

Council Member: Ray Barragan, Dennis Haworth, Diana Palmer

City staff and contract employees present: Interim City Administrator Rod Pruet, City Attorney Mary Lerner, Police Chief David A. Riviere, Jr., Fire Chief Harry Turner, Engineer Jerry Jones, Public Works Director Jason Rogers, Recreation & Community Engagement Director Marty Piepenbrok, City Clerk Joann McClendon.

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions and/or Deletions:

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed, Seconded by Council Member Haworth to Approve the Agenda as Presented. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

PUBLIC ADDRESS – CLOSED SESSION

No one spoke.

CLOSED SESSION – 6:08 PM

- 1. Conference With Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation – Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9.**
Number of Cases: 2
- 2. Conference With Real Property Negotiators Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8**
Property: APN 022-250-053; 26.28 acre parcel located at Hwy. 99 and Chowchilla Boulevard
Agency Negotiators: City/Successor Agency Attorney, Acting City Administrator
Negotiating Parties: Madera Industrial Development Partnership (Robert Sullivan and Steve Sagouspe), Greenhills Holdings, LLP (C.K. Kwon), and Amon World
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment
- 3. Liability Claim Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.95**
Claimant: STAR Motel, 235 N 1st Street, Chowchilla, APN# 001-133-011
Agency Claimed Against: City of Chowchilla

OPEN SESSION – 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commander Palmer

INVOCATION: Elder Alfred Hansen

CLOSED SESSION REPORT: In regards to Closed Session Item No. 3:

Motion by Council Member Haworth, Seconded by Council Member Barragan to Reject the Star Motel Claim against the City. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

PRESENTATIONS/WORKSHOP - Section 1

1.1 Proclamation – National Peace Officers Memorial Week

PUBLIC ADDRESS

Zoe Haworth presented her Silver Award Project, beautifying the Rock Garden.

Ryan Diaz, 4-H Club Treasurer, reported on all of the events the Chowchilla 4-H Club participates in.

Dale Thomas addressed the Council regarding his concerns over the preservation of the water tower.

COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS – Section 2

2.1 COUNCIL REPORTS

Legislative Items
Oral / Written Reports

Council Member Palmer met with Chowchilla Union High School Superintendent Ron Seals to discuss all of the intersections around the school that do not have stop signs or visible cross walks, making it an unsafe area for students as they are coming and going from campus. It was the Council's consensus to direct staff to look into the issue for resolution and bring this item on a future agenda. In addition, she met with a landowner, attended the Annual Chowchilla Fair dinner, the Panda Express ribbon cutting and RAN Board meeting.

Council Member Barragan met with a representative from American Farmland Trust about groundwater recharge.

Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed attended the Panda Express groundbreaking, a Madera County Transportation Commission meeting where he requested Caltrans to cleanup Caltrans-owned areas around the fairgrounds prior to opening day, May 16.

Mayor Chavez attended the Panda Express ribbon cutting and Annual Chowchilla Fair dinner.

2.2 STAFF REPORTS

Written/Oral Reports

Interim City Administrator Pruett attended the Panda Express groundbreaking, California Society of Municipal Financial Officers Chapter meeting in Selma in which CalPERS was the hot topic. In addition he attended multiple meetings with developers and businesses.

City Clerk McClendon reported on tomorrow's Legislative Action Day in Sacramento; reported on the mandated training emailed to all City employees, including public officials, for anti-harassment and California ethics. Today, hosted defensive driver training; is currently sharing documents with CPS-HR, the vendor who is working on the compensation and classification study.

Recreation & Community Engagement Director Piepenbrok reported on the Easter event at Veterans Memorial Park; is gearing up for the summer concert and movie events. Various critical network enhancing activities are being completed by Systems Tech Wlodarczyk.

City Engineer Jones reported the 15th Street project is officially out for bids.

Public Works Director Rogers announced the annual curbside cleanup begins on May 6 and runs through May 11; he spoke with Caltrans regarding cleanup of weeds on interchange and homeless encampment in Berenda Slough; his staff will be pothole patching on Road 16 prior to the fair; reported that staff began chlorination of the new water storage tank.

Fire Chief Turner, while attending the Panda Express groundbreaking, he spoke with the superintendent of the project and was told completion date should be within the next ninety days.

CONSENT CALENDAR – Section 3

- 3.1 Approval of the April 9, 2019 City Council Meeting Minutes (McClendon)**
- 3.2 Review of Monthly Budget for March 2019 (Pruett)**
- 3.3 A City Council Resolution (27-19) Initiating Proceedings for the Annual Review of Assessments for Landscape Maintenance and Lighting District No. 90-1 of the City of Chowchilla (Jones)**
- 3.4 Adoption and Option to Waive the Second Reading of an Ordinance (495-19) of the City Council of the City of Chowchilla, in the County of Madera, California, Amending Chapter 4.04 of the Chowchilla Municipal Code for the Procurement of Public Projects, Architect-Engineer and Land Surveying Services (Rogers)**
- 3.5 Adoption and Option to Waive the Second Reading of an Ordinance (496-19) of the City Council of the City of Chowchilla, in the County of Madera, California, Amending Chapter 13.04 of the Chowchilla Municipal Code Pertaining to Water Service (Rogers)**

Motion by Council Member Haworth, Seconded by Council Member Barragan to Approve the Consent Calendar as Presented. Motion passed unanimously by rollcall vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Section 4

DEFERRED BUSINESS – Section 5

NEW BUSINESS – Section 6

- 6.1 Presentation and Consideration Regarding Entering into a Lease-Financing Transaction in Order to Finance the Cost of Police Department Vehicles (Turner)**

Spoke:
Tony Blankenship

The Council directed staff to explore the Lease-Financing with Enterprise Fleet Management and bring the item back to Council.

6.2 A City Council Resolution Awarding the Construction Contract for the Wilson School Pedestrian Safety Improvements Project, Project No. CML-5258(035) and Orange Avenue and 6th Street Pavement Rehabilitation Project, Project No. LPPSB1L-5258(040) to AJ Excavation, Inc. in the Amount of \$563,175.10 and Authorizing the City Administrator or Designee to Execute the Contract on Behalf of the City (Jones)

Motion by Council Member Haworth, Seconded by Council Member Barragan to Approve City Council Resolution #28-19, Awarding the Construction Contract for the Wilson School Pedestrian Safety Improvements Project, Project No. CML-5258(035) and Orange Avenue and 6th Street Pavement Rehabilitation Project, Project No. LPPSB1L-5258(040) to AJ Excavation, Inc. in the Amount of \$563,175.10 and Authorizing the City Administrator or Designee to Execute the Contract on Behalf of the City. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

6.3 A City Council Resolution Awarding the Bid Contract Agreement to Lechowics-Tseng Municipal Services for Inclusive Rate Studies: Storm Drain, Water, Solid Waste, and Sewer in the Amount of up to \$99,187 (Rogers)

Motion by Council Member Haworth, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ahmed to Approve City Council Resolution #29-19, Awarding the Bid Contract Agreement to Lechowics-Tseng Municipal Services for Inclusive Rate Studies: Storm Drain, Water, Solid Waste, and Sewer in the Amount of up to \$99,187. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

6.4 A City Council Resolution Awarding the Bid Contract Agreement to Sally Swanson Architects, Inc. for the Americans With Disabilities Act Conformance Assessment and Sidewalk Uplift Study in the Amount of \$120,841 (Rogers)

Spoke:
Bo Beels
Nico Borchowiec

Motion by Council Member Haworth, Seconded by Council Member Palmer to Approve City Council Resolution #30-19, Awarding the Bid Contract Agreement to Sally Swanson Architects, Inc. for the Americans with Disabilities Act Conformance Assessment and Sidewalk Uplift in the Study in the Amount of \$120,841. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.


ANNOUNCEMENTS – Section 7

- APR 24 TOWN HALL MEETING – 2019/20 BUDGET, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL 6PM
- APR 26 CHOWCHILLA ATHLETIC FOUNDATION'S 14TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT, PHEASANT RUN GOLF COURSE, 1PM
- APR 27 CHOWCHILLA COMMUNITY YARD SALE, PHEASANT RUN GOLF COURSE PARKING LOT, 7AM-NOON
- APR 30 INTERGOVERNMENTAL STEERING COMMITTEE, MADERA COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 2PM
- MAY 14 CHOWCHILLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 6PM

ADJOURNMENT

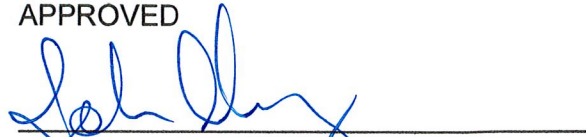
Motion by Council Member Barragan, Seconded by Council Member Haworth to Adjourn the April 23, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting at 8:36pm. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

ATTEST:



Joann McClendon, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED



Mayor John Chavez