

RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL  
SUCCESSOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
FINANCING AUTHORITY  
HOUSING AUTHORITY

**MINUTES**

**Wednesday, February 20, 2019**

**Closed Session - 5:45 p.m.  
Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.**

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**CALL TO ORDER – 5:45 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

Council Present: Mayor Peggy Breeden; Mayor Pro Tem Lindsey Stephens; Vice Mayor Wallace Martin; Council Members Mike Mower & L. Scott Hayman

Council Absent: None

Staff Present: City Manager Ron Strand; City Clerk Ricca Charlon; City Attorney Lloyd Pilchen

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Motion To Approve Agenda Made By Mower, Seconded By Stephens. Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote\* Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent. \*Vote Was Called Out For Recording Purposes.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT – CLOSED SESSION - NONE**

**CLOSED SESSION**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9 Subparts (a), (d)(2) and (e)(3). One case

**REGULAR SESSION**

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT**

- Closed Session – direction given, no final action taken

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Safely Surrender Baby Awareness Month Proclamation

Council

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- D. Matthews commented on the Safe Surrender Baby Proclamation
- S. Morgan announced/updated info on the Pinney Pool Fundraiser
- R. Porter commented on freedom of speech

**COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS - NONE**

## CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Proposed Action To Approve Draft Minutes Of The City Of Ridgecrest City Council Successor Redevelopment Agency / Financing Authority / Housing Authority Regular Meeting Dated February 6, 2019 Charlon
3. Proposed Action To Approve A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Sign The Notice Of Completion For The Freedom Park Splash Pad Project, Authorizing The City Clerk To File The Notice Of Completion And Authorizing The Release Of Funds In The Amount Of Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Three Dollars And Fifty Two Cents (\$730,663.52) Thirty-Five Days After Recordation Of The Notice Of Completion Patin
4. Proposed Action To Approve A Resolution Authorizing Grant Acceptance For A Grant Awarded From The Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division With The California Department Of Parks And Recreation McLaughlin

Item 4 pulled by public

***Motion To Approve Consent Calendar Items 2 & 3 Made By Stephens, Seconded By Martin. Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote\* Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent. \*Vote Was Called Out For Recording Purposes.***

Item 4

- D. Matthews commented on which grant year

***Motion To Approve Consent Calendar Item 4 Made By Stephens, Seconded By Martin. Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote\* Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent. \*Vote Was Called Out For Recording Purposes.***

## DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

5. Proposed Action To Approve Resolutions Approving The Formation Of The Ridgecrest Park And Recreational Facilities Assessment District Strand
  - City Manager and Consultant reviewed staff report
  - Hayman wants to ensure funds are set aside for maintenance long term
  - Stephens shared concerns over debt service, use of consultants and purchasing contracts

Public Comment

- Commented in support of project
  - L. Fuller, S. Caufield, S. Morgan, P. Wheeler
- Commented against the project
  - R. Porter, D. Matthews, M. Neel, S. Rajtora
- Commented with general concerns not for/nor against the project (or city clerk could not determine view)
  - S. Miller, T. Lawson, R. Gallagher, D. Kight, P. Farris, C. Roulund Sr.

Council Comment

- Mower shared concern with apartment determination, projects coming back to council and more public input will be allowed
- Hayman asked about project approval and council involvement
- Stephens commented on lower income/fixed income people and the impact
- Breeden commented on the benefits of the proposed district and taking care of the city infrastructure

- Martin shared comments in support of the pool and the assessment and stated he continual oversight is important and further clarified all interim proposals, project prioritization and exact cost allocations should be approved and all details fully vetted via a vote of the Quality of Life committee with eventual concurrence of the Council.

***Motion To Approve Item 5 Declaring The City's Intention To Form Ridgecrest Park And Recreational Facilities Assessment District; And To Levy And Collect Annual Assessments Related Thereto Commencing Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Made By Stephens, Seconded By Martin. Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote\* Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent. \*Vote Was Called Out For Recording Purposes.***

***Motion To Approve Item 5 Initiating Proceedings For The Formation Of The Ridgecrest Park And Recreational Facilities Assessment District; And Directing The Preparation And Filing Of An Engineer's Report Related Thereto Made By Stephens, Seconded By Martin. Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.***

**\*5 minute break**

6. Discussion And Provide Guidance To The City's Representative On The Board Of The Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority (IWVGA) Hayman

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

*(Committee Meeting dates are subject to change and will be announced on the City website)*

### City Organization and Services Committee

- Members: Mike Mower and Wallace Martin
- Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month at 5:00 p.m.
- Location: Council Conference Room B
- No Report

### Finance Committee

- Members: Mike Mower and Scott Hayman
- Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month at 5:00 p.m.
- Location: Council Conference Room B
- No Report

### Infrastructure Committee

- Members: Mike Mower and Lindsey Stephens
- Meeting: 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday each month at 5:00 p.m.
- Location: Council Conference Room B
- No Report

### Parks, Recreation, and Quality of Life Committee

- Members: Lindsey Stephens and Scott Hayman
- Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday each month at 4:00 p.m.
- Location: Kerr-McGee Center Meeting Rooms
- No Report

### ❖ Youth Advisory Council

- Members: Lindsey Stephens and Wallace Martin
- Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, 12:00 p.m.
- Location: Kerr-McGee Center Meeting Rooms
- No Report

Activate Community Talents and Interventions for Optimal Neighborhoods Task Force (ACTION)

Members: Lindsey Stephens and Peggy Breeden  
Meeting: Bi-annually (Sept, March) @ 4:00 p.m.  
Location: Kerr McGee Center Meeting Rooms

- No Report

Ridgecrest Area Convention and Visitors Bureau (RACVB)

Members: Wallace Martin  
Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month, 9:00 a.m.  
Next Meeting: To Be Announced

- Report read

Economic Development Committee

Members: Lindsey Stephens and Wallace Martin  
Next Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month @ 5:00 p.m.  
Location: 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room

- Discussed Main Street grant program, update from A. Mattos, looked at CivicPlus for website and applications

## **OTHER COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS**

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

### **MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS**

- Martin announced ribbon cutting for new cat room 2/21 @ 130
- Breeden announced Economic Outlook Conference 2/28 @ KMCC

### **ADJOURNMENT - 9:06 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,



Ricca Charlon  
City Clerk