



CITY OF RIDGECREST

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

City Council Conference Room
100 W. California Avenue.
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Tuesday, June 12, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes

Present Chair Tom Wiknich, Members Steve Morgan, Lois Beres and Nellavan Jeglum, staff, media and public

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
The agenda was modified (item a. removed) and approved.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES May 8, 2007**
The minutes were approved.
4. **COMMENTS: (PUBLIC COMMENT)**
Mr. Matthews commented on trees in the street on Las Flores (Sierra View and Kevin)
5. **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**
 - a. Commercial truck parking (residential streets) - removed
 - b. Pothole Patcher – PW Director Speer distributed handouts and presented an overview of how the patcher works. Patcher estimated cost is \$160K. The Committee requested this item be added to the budget discussion session
 - c. CIP – PW Director Speer indicated he is looking for comments relating to the list created. List to be redistributed to committee members – comments to be made at next meeting.
 - d. PWD Optimal – This is not a wish list; it's what is needed to fully operate. Staff is gathering more information and will make a presentation at the next meeting.
 - e. Air Resource Board (air regulations on diesel powered vehicles) – PW Director shared a letter from the Air Resource Board. Cities are required to reduce emissions from diesel vehicles; the first workshop is in Sacramento and staff will find out more then. The Committee indicated the requirements are vague and requested staff to obtain additional information, including a

survey of diesel equipment, and report back to the committee at the next meeting.

- f. New business update (Wiknich) – this item was combined with g.
- g. Master street plan for the Bowman/China Lake – Walmart and other developers will need direction from the City regarding Bowman and what's expected. The committee discussed the drainage, bike path, traffic and street options in relation to potential businesses and their access on Bowman. It was indicated that cost for the channel, bike path, and 4 lanes is unknown; when they're actually ready to build staff can do estimates. Bowman Park is a conception, cannot design until we know what we're going to do with the channel. Cost can be determined when developer comes in with plans. The Committee agreed that four lanes are needed (to extend pass the old Walmart truck entrance), as well as a traffic signal and the bike path needs to be preserved. The Committee requested staff send Walmart a letter regarding the requirement for four lanes.
- h. Drainage problem on Sonja – PW Director Speer updated the committee on the drainage and offered several options. Staff will be meeting with Lahontan next week.
- i. Traffic signals update – Signal on China Lake/Ward is on hold; City must follow HES process to be reimbursed. CE Pollock informed the Committee that the cameras have been put in on the traffic signals; they're not operational yet. Staff will be trained next week.

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

PW Director Speer shared the concept of a traffic policy with the committee.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.