

**RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL
SUCCESSOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
FINANCING AUTHORITY
HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Minutes

January 19, 2022

Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER – 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Present: Mayor Eric A. Bruen; Mayor Pro Tem L. Scott Hayman; Vice Mayor Solomon P. Rajaratnam; Council Member Peggy Breeden; Council Member Kyle Blades (via WebEx)

Staff Present: City Manager Strand; City Attorney Koczanowicz (via WebEx); City Clerk Charlton; PW Director Reed; Finance Director Freese; Interim P&R Director Wegener; Chief McLaughlin

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- **Rajaratnam - Hayman: 5 Ayes**

NOTE: The vote is displayed in bold below each item. For example, **Blades-Rajaratnam** denotes Council Member Blades made the motion and Vice Mayor Rajaratnam seconded the motion.

REGULAR SESSION

PRESENTATIONS

1. 32 Years Of Service Award – Sergeant Tony Brown **MCLAUGHLIN**
2. Presentation of Proclamation - School Choice Week **COUNCIL**

PUBLIC COMMENT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA - None

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rajaratnam – Feb 24, 2022 Economic Outlook Conference @ KMCC

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. Proposed Action To Approve Draft Minutes Of The Ridgecrest City Council Regular Meeting Dated January 5, 2022 **CHARLON**
4. Appointment To City Selection Committee **CHARLON**
5. Proposed Action To Approve A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Authorizing Officer Or Agent To Accept And Consent To Recordation Of Deeds Or Grants Resolution #22-05
CHARLON

- **Breeden - Hayman: 5 Ayes**

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

6. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Letter of Support/White Paper for Proposed National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) Amendments Related to WWTF **STRAND**
 - **Direction Given To Staff To Send The Letter Of Support As Written**

7. Discussion Regarding The Board Of The Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority (IWVGA) **HAYMAN
CHARLON**

8. Appointment Of Measure V Committee Members
Holly Farris – nominated by Blades
Christian Aguirre – nominated by Rajaratnam
Jon Harper – nominated by Hayman
Chip Holloway – continuing to serve (Bruen)
Chris Hill – continuing to serve (Breedon)
 - **Breedon - Rajaratnam: 5 Ayes**

9. A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council To Appropriate A Portion Of The American Rescue Plan Act Funds – Smart Water System Resolution #22-06 **WEGENER**
 - **Rajaratnam - Breedon: 5 Ayes**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

City Organization and Services Committee ('City Org')

Members: Mayor Eric A. Bruen and Peggy Breedon

Meeting: 1st Thursday each month at 5:30 p.m.

Location: City Hall Council Chambers

- **Report from 1/6/22 – discussed 'Civic Drive' renaming; WM organics**

Finance Committee

Members: Mayor Eric A. Bruen and Scott Hayman

Meeting: 2nd Tuesday each month at 5:30 p.m.

Location: City Hall Council Chambers

- **Report from 1/11/22 – discussed Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)**

Economic Development Committee

Members: Kyle Blades and Solomon Rajaratnam

Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of the Month @ 5:00 p.m.

Location: City Hall Council Chambers

- **Report from 1/12/22 – discussed franchise outreach; gave dates for opening of new businesses; ICSC Conference**

OTHER COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS –

CITY MANAGER REPORT

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT – 7:17 p.m.