

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

MINUTES

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

**Closed Session – 5:30 p.m.
Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.**

ROLL CALL – 5:30 p.m.

Council Present: Mayor Eric A. Bruen; Council Member L. Scott Hayman; Vice Mayor Kyle Blades
Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem Solomon P. Rajaratnam; Council Member Skip Gorman
Staff Present: City Attorney M. Koczanowicz; City Manager Strand; City Clerk Charlon;
Chief McLaughlin; PW Director Reed; P & R Director Wegener

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion To Approve Agenda As Presented- Hayman – Blades 3 Ayes, 2 Absent

NOTE: The vote is displayed in bold below each item. For example, **Blades-Rajaratnam** denotes Council Member Blades made the motion and Council Member Rajaratnam seconded the motion. Ayes, Noes, Absents, Abstentions follow.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION – Public Comment - M. Neel

CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: Certain parcel of property within City limits

Negotiating Parties: City of Ridgecrest: Ronald Strand. Property Owner: Undetermined

Under Negotiations: Direction from Council regarding feasibility of acquisition

REGULAR SESSION

ATTORNEY REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

No reportable action; direction provided to staff

PRESENTATION

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| 1. <u>Grand Jury Proclamation</u> | <i>Council</i> |
| 2. <u>Safely Surrender Baby Proclamation</u> | <i>Council</i> |
| 3. <u>Department Of Insurance Presentation</u> | <i>Charlon</i> |

PUBLIC COMMENT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA - Public Comment - M. Neel

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS/DIRECTION

- Night on Balsam – 2/6/23 @ 5pm – Wineries, food trucks & live music
- Annual Scouting for food fundraiser – Saturday in front of grocery stores

CONSENT CALENDAR

4. Proposed Action To Approve Draft Minutes Of The Ridgecrest City Council Regular Meeting Dated January 18, 2023 *Charlon*
Motion to approve Consent Calendar as presented- **Hayman - Blades 3 Ayes, 2 Absent**

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

5. Discussion Regarding Needed Appointments To Council Committees, Boards, And Commissions *Charlon*
6. A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Adopting The 2023 City Of Ridgecrest Standard Details For Public Works Construction *Reed*
• **Blades - Hayman 3 Ayes, 2 Absent**
7. Proposed Approval Of Additional American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds To Replace The Park Roofs Located At The Leroy Jackson Sports Complex And Upjohn Park *Wegener*
Public Comment - M. Neel
• **Blades - Hayman 3 Ayes, 2 Absent**
8. Discussion Regarding The Board Of The Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority (IWVGA) *Hayman*
Public Comment - M. Neel, R. Porter, M. Sinnott

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Infrastructure Committee

Members: Solomon Rajaratnam and Kyle Blades
Meeting: 4th Thursday each month at 5:00 p.m.
Location: City Hall Council Chambers
➤ **Report from 01/26/23 – meeting canceled**

City Organization and Services Committee ('City Org')

Members: Mayor Eric A. Bruen and Skip Gorman
Meeting: 1st Thursday each month at 5:30 p.m.
Location: City Hall Council Chambers
➤ **Next meeting 02/02/23**

Parks, Recreation, and Quality of Life Committee

Members: Mayor Eric A. Bruen and Skip Gorman
Meeting: 1st Tuesday each month at 5:00 p.m.
Location: Kerr McGee Center Meeting Rooms
➤ **Next meeting 02/07/23**

Economic Development Committee

Members: Kyle Blades and Solomon Rajaratnam
Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of the Month @ 5:00 p.m.
Location: City Hall Council Chambers
➤ **Next meeting 02/08/23**

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

➤ **Next meeting 02/14/23**

Ridgecrest Area Convention and Visitor Bureau (RACVB)

Members: Solomon Rajaratnam and Megan McKenzie (staff)

Meeting: 4th Wednesday each month at 9:00 a.m.

Location: California Welcome Center / RACVB

➤ **Report from 01/17/23**

OTHER COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS

CITY MANAGER REPORT

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT – 7:40 p.m.