

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

Minutes

June 2, 2021

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

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CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Present: Mayor Eric A. Bruen; Mayor Pro Tem L. Scott Hayman; Vice Mayor Solomon P. Rajaratnam; Council Members Kyle Blades and Peggy Breeden

Council Absent: None

Staff Present: City Manager Strand; Assistant City Attorney Pilchen (via phone); City Clerk Charlon; Captain Tucker; PW Director Reed; P & R Interim Director Wegener; Finance Director Freese

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion To Approve Agenda Made By Blades, Seconded By Rajaratnam

Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION - None

CLOSED SESSION

PERSONNEL MATTERS - LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Pursuant to Government Code § 54957.6

Police Employee Association of Ridgecrest (PEAR) & UFCW Local 8

Agency Negotiator: Ron Strand, City Manager

REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 p.m.

ATTORNEY REPORT – Report received, no action taken

PRESENTATIONS

1. Employee Service Award Presentations

PUBLIC COMMENT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

- D. Matthews

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Bruen – Budget Workshop 6/3/21 @ 5:30

CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Approve Draft Minutes Of The Ridgecrest City Council

Charlon

3. A Resolution To Approve The FY21-22 Rate Adjustment Request For Solid Waste Services

Strand

Pull item 3 – Blades

Motion To Approve Item 2 Made By Blades, Seconded By Hayman

Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.

Item 3

- Blades pulled item for general discussion
- Strand reviewed report

Motion To Approve Item 3 Made By Blades, Seconded By Breeden

Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

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

5. Initializing Staff To Prepare An Engineers Report For The Intent To Levy And Collection Of Assessments For Consolidated Landscape And Lighting District 2012-1 For Fiscal Year 2021/2022, Pursuant To The Provisions Of Part 2 Of Division 15 Of The California Streets And Highways Code; And The Announcement Of A Public Hearing On June 16, 2021 For The Proposed Assessment **Reed**

- Staff reviewed the report
- Public comment - none

Motion To Approve Item 5 Made By Breeden, Seconded By Hayman.

Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.

6. Initializing Staff To Prepare An Engineers Report For The Intent To Levy And Collection Of Assessments For Drainage Benefit Assessment District 2016-1 (The "District") For Fiscal Year 2021/2022, Pursuant To The Provisions Of The Benefit Assessment Act Of 1982, Being Chapter 6.4 Of The California Government Code; And The Announcement Of A Public Hearing On June 16, 2021 For The Proposed Assessment **Reed**

- Staff reviewed the report
- Public comment - none

Motion To Approve Item 6 Made By Blades, Seconded By Rajaratnam.

Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.

7. Accept The Base Bid as Submitted by Nagle Earthworks, Deny Additive Alternative 1 For High Tensile Asphalt Reinforcement and Pavement Reinforcement Grid interlayer. Allocate Measure V Funds For the Base Bid, and up to \$199,260.40 for A 20% Contingency. A Maximum total of up to \$1,195,562.40. Award A Construction Contract To Nagle Earthworks To Construct And Pave The 2021 Measure V Paving Program (Various Streets) In The Amount Of Nine Hundred and Ninety-six Thousand Three Hundred and Two Dollars (\$996,302.00); And Authorize The City Manager, Ronald Strand, To Execute The Contract **Reed**

- Staff reviewed the report
- Public comment - none

Motion To Approve Item 6 Made By Hayman, Seconded By Rajaratnam.

Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.

ORDINANCES

8. Introduction And First Reading, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest, California Adding Section 2-90 (Electronic Filing) To Article IV (Officers And Employees) Under Chapter 2 (Administration) To The Ridgecrest Municipal Code Relating To Electronic Filing Of Campaign Statements And Statements Of Economic Interests (Form 700) **Charlon**

- Staff reviewed the report
- Public comment - none

Motion To Waive Reading In Full, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest, California Adding Section 2-90 (Electronic Filing) To Article IV (Officers And Employees) Under Chapter 2 (Administration) To The Ridgecrest Municipal Code Relating To Electronic Filing Of Campaign Statements And Statements Of Economic Interests (Form 700) Made By Breeden, Seconded By Hayman. Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.

Motion To Adopt, By Title Only, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest, California Adding Section 2-90 (Electronic Filing) To Article IV (Officers And Employees) Under Chapter 2 (Administration) To The Ridgecrest Municipal Code Relating To Electronic Filing Of Campaign Statements And Statements Of Economic Interests (Form 700) Made By Blades, Seconded By Rajaratnam. Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Finance Committee

Members: Mayor Eric A. Bruen and Scott Hayman

Meeting: 3rd Monday each month at 5:00 p.m.

Location: City Hall 1st Floor Conference Room B

- Discussed FY 21/22 budget, recent telephonic survey sent out to community

Infrastructure Committee

Members: Peggy Breeden and Kyle Blades

Meeting: 4th Thursday each month at 5:00 p.m.

Location: City Hall 1st Floor Conference Room B

- Discussed SCE lighting, update on 4 way stop, ADA transition plan, lighting on Downs

Economic Development Committee

Members: Kyle Blades and Solomon Rajaratnam

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

Location: City Hall 1st Floor Conference Room B

Parks, Recreation, and Quality of Life Committee

Members: Mayor Eric A. Bruen and Scott Hayman

Meeting: 1st Tuesday each month at 5:00 p.m.

Location: Kerr McGee Center Meeting Rooms

- Discussed upcoming grants, summer programs at KMCC, seating at Skate Park, Splash Pad usage, ECC man camp supporting the community

Ridgecrest Area Convention and Visitors Bureau (RACVB)

Members: Solomon Rajaratnam

Meeting: 3rd Wednesday of the Month, 9:00 a.m.

Location: Kerr McGee Center Meeting Rooms

- Welcome Center plans submitted

OTHER COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS

CITY MANAGER REPORT

- Reestablishment of Kern Association of Cities on horizon

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Blades – Veteran’s Council having a Ridgecrest Veterans Collaborative June 25 @ 11am @ KMCC
- Rajaratnam – thanked staff for hard work
- Bruen – thanked Hayman and Rajaratnam for speaking at VFW Memorial; Catalytic converter stolen and recovered in one day – thanked Ridgecrest PD
- Hayman – thanked Ridgecrest PD

ADJOURNMENT – 7:45 p.m.