



**City Council  
Successor Redevelopment Agency  
Financing Authority  
Housing Authority**

**AGENDA**

**Wednesday**

**Regular**

**Closed Session 4:00 p.m.  
Regular Session 6:00 p.m.**

**March 21, 2012**

**City Hall  
100 West California Avenue  
Ridgecrest CA 93555**

**(760) 499-5000**

**Ronald H. Carter, Mayor  
Marshall G. Holloway, Mayor Pro Tempore  
Jerry D. Taylor, Vice Mayor  
Steven P. Morgan, Council Member  
Jason Patin, Council Member**

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**LAST ORDINANCE NO. 12-xx  
LAST RESOLUTION CITY COUNCIL NO. 12-15  
LAST RESOLUTION FINANCING AUTHORITY NO. 12-xx**

**CITY OF RIDGECREST**

**CITY COUNCIL  
FINANCING AUTHORITY**

**AGENDA**

Regular Council  
Wednesday March 21, 2012

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL**

100 West California Avenue  
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

**Closed Session – 4:00 p.m.**

**Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.**

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In compliance with SB 343. City Council Agenda and corresponding writings of open session items are available for public inspection at the following locations:

1. City of Ridgecrest City Hall, 100 W. California Ave., Ridgecrest, CA 93555
2. Kern County Library – Ridgecrest Branch, 131 E. Las Flores Avenue, Ridgecrest, CA 93555
3. City of Ridgecrest official website at <http://ci.ridgecrest.ca.us>

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**PUBLIC COMMENT – CLOSED SESSION**

**AGENDA - CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR**

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**CLOSED SESSION – 4:00 p.m.**

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|--------------|--|
| GC54956.8    | Real Property Negotiations: APN 343-014-07, A 12 Acre Portion, With Sunmark. City Negotiators Kurt Wilson And James McRea  |
| GC54956.9(A) | Conference With Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation. City Of Ridgecrest V. Benz Sanitation Inc.                             |
| GC54956.9(A) | Conference With Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation. County Of Kern V. City Of Ridgecrest                                   |
| GC54956.9(B) | Conference With Legal Counsel, Potential Litigation. Public Disclosure Of Litigant Would Prejudice The City Of Ridgecrest. |
| GC54957      | Personnel Matters – Public Employee Performance Evaluation – City Manager  |

**REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 p.m.**

- Pledge Of Allegiance
- Invocation

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS**

- Closed Session
- Other

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Presentation Staheli

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

2. Approve A Resolution Requesting Authorization To Enter Into Program Supplement Agreement With The State Of California, Department Of Transportation, Under Master Agreement No. 09-5385R And To Authorize The City Manager To Sign Said Agreement(s) For The Road Reconstruction And Rehabilitation Project On Downs Street From Drummond Avenue To Ward Avenue Speer

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4. Approve A Resolution To Request A Change To The Functional Classification On South Sunland Street From Upjohn Avenue To Bowman Road (1/2 Mile) From No Classification To "Major Collector" Speer
5. Adoption Of The Amended Draft Recognized Obligations Payment Schedule Pursuant To ABX1 26 Staheli
6. Approve A Resolution Amending Employer Paid Member Contributions To CalPERS For Unrepresented Employee Groups Staheli
7. Approve A Resolution Announcing Proclamations For The Annual Junior And Senior Bluejacket Award And Scheduling Date Of Presentation Ford
8. Approve A Resolution Announcing Proclamations Honoring Eagle Scout Recipients And Scheduling Date Of Presentation Ford
9. Approve A Resolution Announcing A Proclamation Celebrating The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Of The Girl Scouts Of America And Scheduling Date Of Presentation Ford
10. Approve Draft Minutes Of The Regular City Council Meeting Of March 7, 2012 Ford

**DISCUSSION AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS**

11. Measure L Citizens' Oversight Committee Appointment Process Wilson

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

## **AGENDA - CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR**

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### **DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Infrastructure Committee**

Members: Steve Morgan, Jerry Taylor, Craig Porter, James Sanders  
Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday Of The Month At 5:00 P.M., Council Conference Room  
Next Meeting: April 11, 2012

#### **Quality Of Life**

Members: Chip Holloway, Jason Patin, Craig Porter, Carter Pope  
Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday Of Every Even Month At 12:00 P.M.; Kerr-McGee Center  
Next Meeting: April 5, 2012

#### **City Organization**

Members: Ron Carter, Jerry Taylor, Lois Beres, Christopher LeCornu  
Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday Of The Month At 5:00 P.M.; Council Conference Room  
Next Meeting: April 17, 2012

#### **Community Development Committee**

Members: Steve Morgan, Jason Patin, Christopher Lecornu, James Sanders  
Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday Of The Month At 5:00 P.M.; Council Conference Room  
Next Meeting: April 5, 2012

#### **Activate Community Talents And Interventions For Optimal Neighborhoods Task Force (ACTION)**

Members: Ron Carter, Chip Holloway, Ron Strand  
Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday Of Odd Numbered Months At 4:00 P.M., Kerr-McGee Center  
Next Meeting: May 14, 2012

#### **Ridgecrest Area Convention And Visitors Bureau (RACVB)**

Members: Chip Holloway, Jason Patin  
Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Of The Month, 8:00 A.M.  
Next Meeting: April 4, 2012 At Springhill Suites in the China Lake Room

### **CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

### **MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**



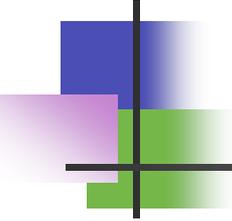
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# AUDIT of the City of Ridgecrest

For The Year Ended June 30, 2011

Presentation to the City Council  
March 21, 2012

Presented by:  
Kenneth Pun, CPA  
Partner

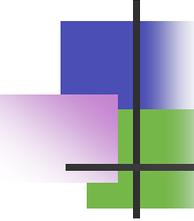


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# *Financial Statements and Reporting Responsibility*

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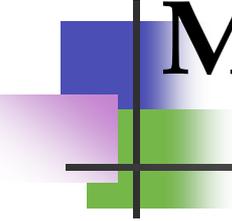
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# C&L Scope of Work Performed

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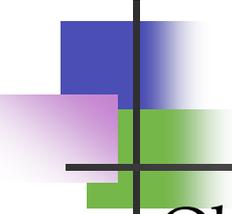
- ◆ Audited City's financial statements
- ◆ Reviewed City's internal control policies and procedures
- ◆ Audited compliance requirements of major Federal grant programs, laws and regulations.



# Management's Responsibilities

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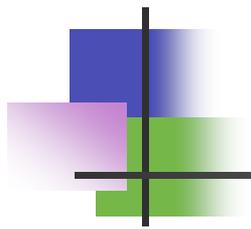
- ◆ Present the Financial Statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP)
- ◆ Adopt sound accounting policies
- ◆ Establish and maintain appropriate internal controls over financial reporting and compliance
- ◆ Prevent and detect fraud



# Auditor Responsibilities

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- ◆ Obtain reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free of material misstatement
- ◆ Examine, on a test basis, evidence supporting amounts and disclosures in the financial statements
- ◆ Assess accounting principles used, estimates made, and evaluate the overall financial statement presentation
- ◆ Review internal control policies and procedures
- ◆ Express an opinion on the financial statements

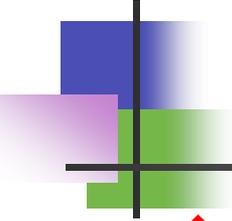


# 2011

## *Audit Results*

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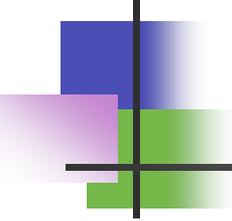


# Audit Opinion

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## ◆ Unqualified Opinion Issued

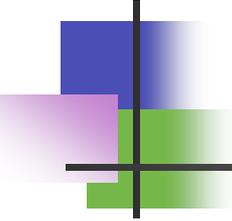
- ◆ Financial statements are fairly presented in all material respects
- ◆ Significant accounting policies have been consistently applied
- ◆ Estimates are reasonable
- ◆ Disclosures are properly reflected in the financial statements



# Other Results of the Audit

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- ◆ No disagreements with management
- ◆ No material errors or irregularities discovered
- ◆ No indications of fraudulent or inappropriate activities



# 2011 City Net Assets

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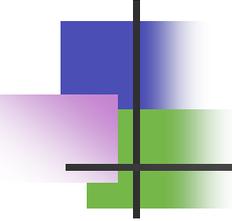
	<b>ACTIVITIES</b>	
	<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Business-Type</u>
<b>Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt</b>	\$ 8,428,496	\$ 16,045,080
<b>Restricted</b>	36,879,459	-
<b>Unrestricted</b>	<u>11,269,841</u>	<u>9,755,416</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 56,577,796</u>	<u>\$ 25,800,496</u>

# Costs of Services to Tax Revenues

## Governmental Activities

Expenses	\$ 20,802,455
Less Program Revenues	<u>(4,371,043)</u>
Net Cost of Services for Governmental activities	<u>16,431,412</u>
Tax Revenues	<u>15,552,249</u>
Cost of Services to Tax Revenues	<u>106%</u>

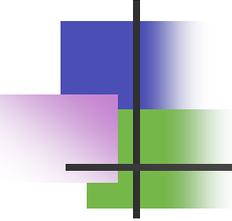




# General Fund Change in Total Fund Balance

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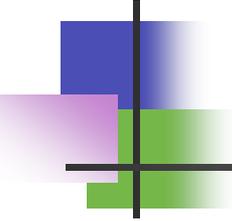
<b>Beginning fund balance</b>	<b>\$ 539,291</b>
<b>Results of operations</b>	<b><u>(611,949)</u></b>
<b>Ending fund balance</b>	<b><u><u>\$ (72,658)</u></u></b>



# General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance to Annual Expenditures

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Unassigned Fund Balance	\$ (613,171)
Annual Expenditures	<u>10,673,024</u>
Unassigned Fund Balance to Annual Expenditures	<u><u>-6%</u></u>



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**CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY/FINANCING  
AUTHORITY/HOUSING AUTHORITY AGENDA ITEM**

**SUBJECT:**

Request for authorization to enter into Program Supplement Agreement with the State of California, Department of Transportation, under Master Agreement No. 09-5385R and to authorize the City Manager to sign said agreement(s) for the road reconstruction and rehabilitation project on Downs Street from Drummond Avenue to Ward Avenue.

**PRESENTED BY:**

Dennis Speer, Public Works Director

**SUMMARY:**

The Program Supplement Agreement is for the construction of the road reconstruction and rehabilitation project on Downs Street from Drummond Avenue to Ward Avenue. The total estimated cost of this construction work is \$535,146.00 with a local match of \$142,659.00. The funding source is the Regional Surface Transportation Program. The local match will be allocated from TAB funds if this use is approved in May or alternatively Traffic Impact Fees.

The Program Supplement Agreement is being prepared by Caltrans Headquarters and will be forwarded to the City next week. However, the approval of the agreement is timely. Therefore, the City Council should approve the agreement contingent on its consistency with the attached Finance Letter and Authorization to Construct (E-76) and upon the City Attorney's review and approval.

The State requires that one person in the local agency be designated to sign the agreements with the State. The City's Master Agreement with the State stipulates the City Manager as the designated person.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

\$142,659.00

Reviewed by Finance Director

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Request For Authorization To Enter Into A Program Supplement Agreement And To Authorize The City Manager To Sign Said Agreement(S).

**CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDATION:**

Action as requested: Approve Resolution Authorizing City To Enter Into A Program Supplement Agreement And Authorizing The City Manager To Sign The Agreement.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 12-**

**REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, UNDER MASTER AGREEMENT NO. 09-5385R AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN SAID AGREEMENT(S) FOR THE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION PROJECT ON DOWNS STREET BETWEEN DRUMMOND AVENUE AND WARD AVENUE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ridgecrest is eligible to receive Federal and/or State funding for certain transportation projects, through the California Department of Transportation, and

**WHEREAS**, Program Supplemental Agreements need to be executed with the California Department of Transportation before such funds can be claimed, and

**WHEREAS**, the total estimated cost of this construction work is \$535,146.00 and the funding source being the Regional Surface Transportation Program, and

**WHEREAS**, matching funds in the amount of \$142,659.00 shall be made available from the TAB funds if this use is approved in May or alternatively Traffic Impact Fees, and

**WHEREAS**, The State requires that one person in the local agency be designated to sign the agreements with the State, and

**WHEREAS**, The City's Master Agreement with the State stipulates the City Manager as the designated person, and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Ridgecrest approves the agreement contingent on its consistency with the attached Finance Letter and Authorization to Construct (E-76) and upon the City Attorney's review and approval; and authorizes the City Manager to execute the, Program Supplemental Agreements with the California Department of Transportation.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 21st day of March 2012 by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

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Ronald H. Cater, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rachel J. Ford, CMC  
City Clerk

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Attention: City of Ridgecrest

FINANCE ITEMS	TOTAL COST OF WORK	FEDERAL PART. COST	FED. REIMB %	FEDERAL FUNDS L24E	LOCAL FUNDS	OTHER FUNDS
Contract Items						
Construction	\$465,344.00	\$444,444.00	88.09%	\$391,487.00	\$50,851.00	\$23,006.00
Agency Construction Engineering	\$69,802.00	\$66,667.00	1.50%	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$68,802.00
Totals:	\$535,146.00	\$511,111.00	0.00%	\$392,487.00	\$50,851.00	\$91,808.00

Federal:

95.51%

This Finance Letter was created based on specific financial information provided by the responsible local agency. The following encumbrance history is prepared by Local Assistance Accounting Office and is provided here for local agency's information and action.

Signature: Patrick Louie  
 Title: HQ Local Assistance Area Engineer

For questions regarding finance letter, contact:

Printed Name : Patrick Louie  
 Telephone No: (916) 653-7349

Remarks: PE ONLY. KER100405. Reimbursement ratio = 88.53%. PE work completed prior to PE funds obligation, therefore ineligible for reimbursement. Reimbursement ratio = 88.0% and 1.5%.

ACCOUNTING INFORMATION

- STPL-5385(044)

Adv. Proj. ID	Approp. Unit	State Prog.	Fed/State	Encumbrance Amount	Approp Year	Expenditure Amount	Encumbrance Balance	Reversion Date
0900020103	11102F	2030010810	F	\$392,487.00	1011	\$0.00	\$392,487.00	06/30/16

AMENDMENT MODIFICATION SUMMARY - (E-76)

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

FEDERAL AID PROGRAM

DLA LOCATOR: 09-KER-0-RGCR  
 PREFIX: STPL  
 PROJECT NO: 5385(044)  
 SEQ NO: 2  
 STATE PROJ NO: 0900020103L-N  
 AGENCY: RIDGECREST  
 ROUTE:  
 TIP DATA  
 MPO: KCOG  
 FSTIP YR: 11/12  
 STIP REF: 204-0000-0594  
 DISASTER NO:  
 BRIDGE NO'S:

PROJECT LOCATION:  
 N. DOWNS STREET FROM W. DRUMMOND AVENUE TO W. WARD AVENUE  
 TYPE OF WORK:  
 PAVEMENT REHABILITATION  
 FED RR NO'S:  
 PUC CODES:  
 PROJ OVERSIGHT: EXEMPT FROM FHWA REVIEW  
 ENV STATUS / DT: DELEG TO STATE SEC 6004 04/18/2011  
 RW STATUS / DT: 1 04/29/2011  
 INV RTE:  
 BEG MP:  
 END MP:

PREV AUTH / AGREE DATES:

PE: 05/23/2011  
 R/W:  
 CON:  
 SPR:  
 MCS:  
 OTH:

PROG CODE	LINE NO	IMPV TYPE	FUNC SYS	URBAN AREA	URB/RURAL	DEMO ID
L24E	10	15	M		URBAN	
L24E	30	06	M		URBAN	
L24E	31	17	M		URBAN	

FUNDING SUMMARY

PHASE	PROJECT COST	FEDERAL COST	AC COST
PE	PREV. OBLIGATION	\$35,467.00	\$0.00
	THIS REQUEST	\$-35,467.00	\$0.00
	SUBTOTAL	\$0.00	\$0.00
RAW	PREV. OBLIGATION	\$0.00	\$0.00
	THIS REQUEST	\$0.00	\$0.00
	SUBTOTAL	\$0.00	\$0.00
CON	PREV. OBLIGATION	\$0.00	\$0.00
	THIS REQUEST	\$535,146.00	\$392,487.00
	SUBTOTAL	\$535,146.00	\$392,487.00
TOTAL:		\$535,146.00	\$392,487.00

STATE REMARKS

- 04/18/2011 4/18/11 need paperwork..... sent e-mail to BART.  
 04/21/11 check programming , programmed in CON.... but request in PE  
 04/26/11 UPDATE Roadway data, prog info  
 04/27/11 Incomplete field review, PE only. Complete field review should be submitted within four(4) months of PE authorization date.  
 05/01/11 Ok, PE only  
 This sequence #1 is request for PE \$31,399 L240 funds.
- 05/20/2011 This is a request for preliminary engineering funding to rehabilitate North Downs Street from West Drummond Avenue to West Ward Avenue in Ridgecrest using Regional Surface Transportaton Program (RSTP) funds programmed in KCOG' 2010 FTIP approved on 12/14/10. Federal funding is capped at \$31,398 for preliminary engineering with a maximum reimbursement ratio of 88.53%. Reimburse with L24E RSTP funds at 88.53% up to the federal amount shown for preliminary engineering.
- 08/25/2011 This is a request for Con and CE funding to rehabilitate North Downs Street from West Drummond Avenue to West Ward Avenue in Ridgecrest. KCOG advancement of RSTP funding from Dec 14, 2010 FTIP approval of 2011/12 FTIP. Federal funding is capped at \$392,487 for Con and CE with a maximum reimbursement ration of 88.53%. Reimburse with L24E RSTP funds at 88.53% up to the federal amount shown for Con and CE.
- |       | Total     | Participating | Federal   | Other      |
|-------|-----------|---------------|-----------|------------|
| PE    | \$35,467  | \$35,467      | \$31,398  | \$4,069    |
| Con   | \$465,344 | \$444,444     | \$391,487 | \$73,857   |
| CE    | \$69,802  | \$ 66,867     | \$1,000   | \$68,802   |
| Total | \$570,613 | \$546,578     | \$423,885 | \$146, 728 |
- 09/09/2011 09/09/11 SEQ 2 deobligates all PE \$31,398 L40E.  
 This is request for CON \$391,487 and \$1,000 L40E.

09/16/2011 Sequence #2 is a request for construction and construction engineering funding to rehabilitate North Downs Street from West Drummond Avenue to West Ward Avenue in Ridgecrest using Regional Surface Transportaton Program (RSTP) funds programmed in KCOG' 2010 FTIP approved on 12/14/10. Funding for preliminary engineering was previously obligated, but it was discovered that the environmental and final PS&E work were completed prior to the funding obligation date, thus resulting in the preliminary engineering phase of work becoming ineligible for federal reimbursement. Therefore, preliminary engineering funding was de-obligated as part of this request. Federal funding is now capped at \$392,487 for the construction phase with a maximum reimbursement ratio of 88.53%. Reimburse now with L24E RSTP funds at approximately 88.0% and 1.5% up to the federal amounts shown for construction and construction engineering, respectively.

FEDERAL REMARKS

AUTHORIZATION

AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH REQUEST: CON  
 FOR: CONSTRUCTION & CENG.  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: AMOD

PREPARED IN FADS BY: KHAN, SARDAR  
 REVIEWED IN FADS BY: LOUIE, PATRICK  
 SUBMITTED IN FADS BY: LOUIE, PATRICK  
 PROCESSED IN FADS BY: HUEY, SHUN  
 APPROVED IN FMIS BY: VENESHIA SMITH

ON 08/25/2011 873-4862  
 ON 09/16/2011 653-7349  
 ON 09/16/2011 FOR CALTRANS  
 ON 09/19/2011 FOR FHWA  
 ON 09/22/2011

SIGNATURE HISTORY FOR PROJECT NUMBER 5385(044) AS OF 09/26/2011

FHWA FMIS 4.0 SIGNATURE HISTORY

<u>MOD #</u>	<u>SIGNED BY</u>	<u>SIGNED ON</u>
1	SHUN HUEY	09/20/2011
	DAVID A. TEDRICK	09/20/2011
	VENESHIA SMITH	09/22/2011
0	JERILYNN FOGLE	05/22/2011
	GARY J. SWEETEN	05/23/2011
	MARY CUNNINGHAM	05/23/2011

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CALTRANS SIGNATURE HISTORY

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**CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY/FINANCING  
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**SUBJECT:**

Request for authorization to enter into Program Supplement Agreement with the State of California, Department of Transportation, under Master Agreement No. 09-5385R and to authorize the City Manager to sign said agreement(s) for the road reconstruction and rehabilitation project on College Heights Blvd. between Jarvis Avenue and Franklin Avenue

**PRESENTED BY:**

Dennis Speer, Public Works Director

**SUMMARY:**

The Program Supplement Agreement is for the construction of the road reconstruction and rehabilitation project on College Heights Blvd. between Jarvis Avenue and Franklin Avenue. The total estimated cost of this construction work is \$981,257.00 with a local match of \$115,777.00. The funding source is the Regional Surface Transportation Program. The local match will be allocated from TAB funds if this use is approved in May or alternatively Traffic Impact Fees.

The Program Supplement Agreement is being prepared by Caltrans Headquarters and will be forwarded to the City next week. However, the approval of the agreement is timely. Therefore, the City Council should approve the agreement contingent on its consistency with the attached Finance Letter and Authorization to Construct (E-76) and upon the City Attorney's review and approval.

The State requires that one person in the local agency be designated to sign the agreements with the State. The City's Master Agreement with the State stipulates the City Manager as the designated person.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

\$115,777.00

Reviewed by Finance Director

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Request for authorization to enter into a Program Supplement Agreement and to authorize the City Manager to sign said agreement(s).

**CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDATION:**

Action as requested: Approve A Resolution Authorizing A Program Supplement Agreement For College Heights Blvd And Authorizing City Manager To Sign The Agreement.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 12-**

**REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, UNDER MASTER AGREEMENT NO. 09-5385R AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER, KURT WILSON, TO SIGN SAID AGREEMENT(S) FOR THE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION PROJECT ON COLLEGE HEIGHTS BLVD. BETWEEN JAVIS AVENUE AND FRANKLIN AVENUE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ridgecrest is eligible to receive Federal and/or State funding for certain transportation projects, through the California Department of Transportation, and

**WHEREAS**, Program Supplemental Agreements need to be executed with the California Department of Transportation before such funds can be claimed, and

**WHEREAS**, the total estimated cost of this construction work is \$981,257.00 and the funding source being the Regional Surface Transportation Program, and

**WHEREAS**, matching funds in the amount of \$115,777.00 shall be made available from the TAB funds if this use is approved in May or alternatively Traffic Impact Fees, and

**WHEREAS**, The State requires that one person in the local agency be designated to sign the agreements with the State, and

**WHEREAS**, The City's Master Agreement with the State stipulates the City Manager as the designated person, and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Ridgecrest approves the agreement contingent on its consistency with the attached Finance Letter and Authorization to Construct (E-76) and upon the City Attorney's review and approval; and authorizes the City Manager, Kurt Wilson, to execute the, Program Supplemental Agreements with the California Department of Transportation.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 21st day of March 2012 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Ronald H. Cater, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rachel J. Ford, CMC  
City Clerk

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Attention: City of Ridgecrest

FINANCE ITEMS	TOTAL COST OF WORK	FEDERAL PART. COST	FED. REIMB %	FEDERAL FUNDS		LOCAL FUNDS	OTHER FUNDS
				L240	L24E		
Agency Preliminary Engineering	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00	74.46%	\$63,293.00	\$0.00	\$21,707.00	\$0.00
Contract Items							
Construction	\$1,576,589.00	\$1,576,589.00	50.34%	\$0.00	\$793,694.00	\$782,895.00	\$0.00
Agency Construction Engineering	\$214,989.00	\$214,989.00	50.34%	\$0.00	\$108,231.00	\$106,758.00	\$0.00
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$1,876,578.00</b>	<b>\$1,876,578.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>\$63,293.00</b>	<b>\$901,925.00</b>	<b>\$911,360.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

Fed. Partic:

100.00%

This Finance Letter was created based on specific financial information provided by the responsible local agency. The following encumbrance history is prepared by Local Assistance Accounting Office and is provided here for local agency's information and action.

Signature: *Patrick Louie*  
 Title: HQ Local Assistance Area Engineer

For questions regarding finance letter, contact:

Printed Name : Patrick Louie  
 Telephone No: (916) 653-7349

Remarks: KER060406. Reimbursement ratio = 74.4% and 50.3%.

**ACCOUNTING INFORMATION**

- STPL-5385(037)

Adv. Proj. ID	Approp. Unit	State Prog.	Fed/State	Encumbrance Amount	Approp Year	Expenditure Amount	Ecumbrance Balance	Reversion Date
0900000185	11102F	2030010810	F	\$901,925.00	1011	\$0.00	\$901,925.00	06/30/16
0900000185	08102F	2030010810	F	\$63,293.00	0708	\$58,091.09	\$5,201.91	06/30/14

AMENDMENT MODIFICATION SUMMARY - (E-76)

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

FEDERAL AID PROGRAM

DLA LOCATOR: 09-KER-0-RGCR  
 PREFIX: STPL  
 PROJECT NO: 5385(037)  
 SEQ NO: 2  
 STATE PROJ NO: 09955134L  
 AGENCY: RIDGECREST  
 ROUTE:  
TIP DATA  
 MPO: KCOG  
 FSTIP YR: 10/11  
 STIP REF: 204-0000-0428  
 DISASTER NO:  
 BRIDGE NO'S:

PROJECT LOCATION:  
 COLLEGE HEIGHTS BOULEVARD FROM CERRO COSO COLLEGE TO SOUTH OF FRANKLIN AVENUE  
 TYPE OF WORK:  
 ROAD REHABILITATION  
 FED RR NO'S:  
 PUC CODES:  
 PROJ OVERSIGHT: EXEMPT FROM FHWA REVIEW  
 ENV STATUS / DT: DELEG TO STATE SEC 6004 03/24/2011  
 RW STATUS / DT: 1 05/03/2011  
 INV RTE:  
 BEG MP: 0  
 END MP: 0

PREV AUTH / AGREE DATES:

PE: 09/22/0008  
 RW:  
 CON:  
 SPR:  
 MCS:  
 OTH:

<u>PROG CODE</u>	<u>LINE NO</u>	<u>IMPV TYPE</u>	<u>FUNC SYS</u>	<u>URBAN AREA</u>	<u>URB/RURAL</u>	<u>DEMO ID</u>
L240	10	15	R		URBAN	
L24E	30	06	R		URBAN	
L24E	31	17	R		URBAN	

FUNDING SUMMARY

<u>PHASE</u>		<u>PROJECT COST</u>	<u>FEDERAL COST</u>	<u>AC COST</u>
PE	PREV. OBLIGATION	\$71,494.00	\$63,293.00	\$0.00
	THIS REQUEST	\$13,506.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	SUBTOTAL	\$85,000.00	\$63,293.00	\$0.00
R/W	PREV. OBLIGATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	THIS REQUEST	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	SUBTOTAL	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CON	PREV. OBLIGATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	THIS REQUEST	\$1,791,578.00	\$901,925.00	\$0.00
	SUBTOTAL	\$1,791,578.00	\$901,925.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$1,876,578.00</b>	<b>\$965,218.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

STATE REMARKS

HISTORICAL COMMENTS

This is a request for preliminary engineering funding to rehabilitate College Heights Boulevard, Phase III, from the Cerro Coso Community College campus to 350 feet south of Franklin Avenue in Ridgecrest using funds programmed in KCOG's FY 07-08 Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Program under KER060406. See also STPL-5385(030), EA 09-955117L, and STPL 5385(032), EA 09-955118L, for related phases of work continuing north on College Heights Boulevard. Federal funding is capped at \$63,293 for preliminary engineering with a maximum reimbursement ratio of 88.53%. A completed field review form must be submitted within four months of this authorization date to establish reimbursement eligibility. Otherwise these funds may be de-obligated. Reimburse with L240 funds at 88.53% up to the federal amount shown for preliminary engineering. PL\_\_\_\_\_

	<u>TOTAL COSTS</u>	<u>PARTIC. COSTS</u>	<u>FED. FUNDS (L240)</u>	<u>LOCAL FUNDS</u>
Prel. Engr.	\$ 71,494	\$ 71,494	\$ 63,293	\$ 8,201

06/15/2011 Sequence #2 is a request for construction and construction engineering funding to rehabilitate College Heights Boulevard from the Cerro Coso Community College campus to approximately 350 feet south of

Franklin Avenue in Ridgcrest using funds programmed in KCOGs 2010 FTIP approved on 12/14/10 for its Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Program under KER060406. Preliminary engineering funding was previously obligated. See also STPL-5385(030), ESPL-5385(038), ESPL-5385(040) for related phases of work continuing north on College Heights Boulevard. Federal funding is capped at \$901,925 for construction with a maximum reimbursement ratio of 88.53%. Reimburse with L24E RSTP funds at 88.53% up to the federal amounts shown for construction and construction engineering.

05/23/2011 This is a request for Construction and Construction Engineering funding to rehabilitate College Heights Boulevard from Cerro Coso Community College campus to 350 feet south of Franklin Avenue in Ridgcrest using funds programmed in KCOGs FY 10/11 Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Program under KER060406. See also STPL-5385(030), STPL-5385(037), ESPL-5385(038), ESPL-5385(040) for related phases of work continuing north on College Heights Boulevard. Federal Funding is capped at \$901,925 for construction and construction engineering with a maximum reimbursement ratio of 88.53%.

	Total	Fed Part	Fed1	other
Prelim Engr	\$71,494	\$71,494	\$63,293	\$8,201
Construction	\$1,576,589	\$1,576,589	\$793,694	\$782,895
Con Engr	\$214,989	\$214,989	\$108,231	\$106,758

Total \$1,791,578 \$1,791,578 \$901,925 \$889,653

05/25/2011 05/25/11 NO QAP... VERIFY OTHERS

05/25/2011 05/25/11 NO LP2000 QAP entry to return project if not submitted 5/20/11  
e-mail Bart to enter in LP2000 QAP Info.  
05/30/11 need QAP complete entry in LP2000.

	Total Cost	Fed P/C	FED FUNDSL240)	FED FUNDS(L24E)	LOCAL
PREL E	\$ 71,494	\$71,494	\$63,293		\$ 8,201
ON	\$1,576,589	\$1,576,589		\$793,694	\$782,895
CE	\$ 214,989	\$ 214,989		\$108,231	\$106,758
TOTAL	\$1,863,072	\$ 1,863,072	\$ 63,293	\$ 901,925	\$897,854

This seq 2 is CON/CE request \$901,925 L24E .

06/03/11 This sequence #2 is request for CON \$793,694 and CE \$108,231 L24E (total \$901,925)

FEDERAL REMARKS

AUTHORIZATION

AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH REQUEST: CON  
FOR: CONSTRUCTION & CENG.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: AMOD

PREPARED IN FADS BY: GODETT, BART  
REVIEWED IN FADS BY: ULAT, ALICIA  
SUBMITTED IN FADS BY: LOUIE, PATRICK  
PROCESSED IN FADS BY: FOGLE, JERILYNN  
APPROVED IN FMIS BY: VENESHIA SMITH

ON 05/23/2011 872-1355  
ON 06/03/2011 653-4150  
ON 06/15/2011 FOR CALTRANS  
ON 06/15/2011 FOR FHWA  
ON 06/21/2011

SIGNATURE HISTORY FOR PROJECT NUMBER 5385(037) AS OF 07/01/2011

FHWA FMIS 4.0 SIGNATURE HISTORY

MOD #	SIGNED BY	SIGNED ON
1	JERILYNN FOGLE	06/16/2011
	DAVID A. TEDRICK	06/21/2011
	VENESHIA SMITH	06/21/2011
0	JERILYNN FOGLE	09/18/2008
	JERILYNN FOGLE	09/18/2008
	TASIA P. PAPAJOHN	09/22/2008

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**CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY/FINANCING  
AUTHORITY/HOUSING AUTHORITY AGENDA ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Approve a Resolution to request a change to the functional classification on South Sunland Street from Upjohn Avenue to Bowman Road (1/2 Mile) from no classification to "Major Collector".

**PRESENTED BY:**

Dennis Speer, Public Works Director

**SUMMARY:**

The City of Ridgecrest intends to bring the South Sunland Street from Upjohn Avenue to Bowman Road back onto the Functional Classification System. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Functional Classification System does not currently classify this segment of the roadway at all. In previous versions of Caltrans California Road System maps it was classified as an "Urban Minor Collector", it was later reclassified as a local street, and most recently was removed altogether as a road.

This segment of road is an existing dirt roadway on City right-a-way that has been in existence for quite some time and is heavily traveled. The City recently submitted a Congestion Mitigation Air Quality application to pave the road in order to control the dust. However, as an unclassified roadway, it is not eligible for an FHWA funding. A reclassification is necessary to establish eligibility.

The rest of South Sunland Street on either side of the roadway is currently paved and is classified as a "Major Collector". The subject roadway will play an important role in the Ridgecrest traffic circulation.

It will serve in providing a safe and efficient roadway for travel to the citizens of Ridgecrest. It is, therefore, proposed that the current unclassified segment of road on South Sunland Street, Upjohn Avenue to Bowman Road, be changed to a "Major Collector".

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None

Reviewed by Finance Director

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve the Resolution to request a change to the functional classification on South Sunland Street from Upjohn Avenue to Bowman Road (1/2 Mile) from no classification to "Major Collector".

**CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDATION:**

Action as requested:

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**RESOLUTION NO. 12-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST APPROVING A REQUEST TO CHANGE THE FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION ON SOUTH SUNLAND STREET FROM UPJOHN AVENUE TO BOWMAN ROAD (1/2 MILE) FROM NO CLASSIFICATION TO “MAJOR COLLECTOR”.**

**WHEREAS**, The City of Ridgecrest wishes to bring the South Sunland Street from Upjohn Avenue to Bowman Road back onto the Functional Classification System; and

**WHEREAS**, The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Functional Classification System does not currently classify this segment of the roadway at all; and

**WHEREAS**, This segment of road is an existing dirt roadway on City right-a-way that has been in existence for quite some time and is heavily traveled; and

**WHEREAS**, The City just submitted a Congestion Mitigation Air Quality application to pave the road in order to control the dust; and

**WHEREAS**, An unclassified roadway, it is not eligible for an FHWA funding; and

**WHEREAS**, A reclassification is necessary to establish eligibility; and

**WHEREAS**, The rest of South Sunland Street on either side of the roadway is currently paved and is classified as a “Major Collector; and

**WHEREAS**, It is proposed that the current unclassified segment of road on South Sunland Street, Upjohn Avenue to Bowman Road, be changed to a “Major Collector”.

**NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved** The City Council of the City of Ridgecrest approves to change the functional classification on South Sunland Street from Upjohn Avenue to Bowman Road (1/2 mile) from no classification to Major Collector “”.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

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Ronald Carter, Mayor

ATTEST

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Rachel J. Ford, CMC  
City Clerk

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**CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY/FINANCING  
AUTHORITY/HOUSING AUTHORITY AGENDA ITEM**

**SUBJECT:**

Adoption of the Amended Draft Recognized Obligations Payment Schedule Pursuant to ABX1 26

PRESENTED BY: Tyrell Staheli

**SUMMARY:**

In an attempt to balance the State's budget the California Legislature adopted, and the Governor signed, ABX1 26 (2011) and ABX1 27 (2011). These two bills, taken together, purported to dissolve redevelopment agencies effective as of October 1, 2011, unless the city that created the redevelopment agency agreed to make certain payments to the State Department of Finance and the County Auditor-Controller and suspended redevelopment agency powers in the interim.

The California Redevelopment Association, the League of California Cities and others challenged the legality of ABX1 26 and ABX1 27 in the California Supreme Court. On December 29, 2011, the California Supreme Court issued its opinion in the case of *California Redevelopment Association, et al. v. Ana Matosantos, etc., et al.*, Case No. S194861, and upheld the validity of Assembly Bill X1 26 ("AB 26") and invalidated Assembly Bill X1 27 ("AB 27"). The result of this decision is all redevelopment agencies were dissolved effective February 1, 2012 and the City of Ridgecrest is now the successor agency to the former Ridgecrest Redevelopment Agency ("Agency").

Pending its decision, the Supreme Court had stayed the provisions of AB 26 dissolving redevelopment agencies and providing for the winding up of their affairs. As part of its decision, the Supreme Court extended deadlines for certain actions required or permitted under AB 26.

AB 26 was drafted with recognition that redevelopment agencies had a variety of debts and obligations that still must be met in order to avoid causing harm to the persons to whom those debts and obligations are owed. Successor agencies will receive tax revenues from the county auditors in order to ensure those obligations, referred to in AB 26 as "enforceable obligations," will be met. In order to enable the county auditor to determine how much tax revenue a successor agency needs to meet its enforceable obligations AB 26 requires the preparation of a series of schedules of enforceable obligations.

The first required schedule, the Enforceable Obligation Payment Schedule ("EOPS"), was approved by the Agency prior to its dissolution.

The ROPS is similar to the EOPS, but includes a column identifying the source of payment for each obligation. The ROPS will be prepared and presented to the City Council as the governing body of the successor agency for approval for each six-month period, from January 1 through June 30 and from July 1 through December 31, until all of the Agency's enforceable obligations have been paid in full.

After the ROPS has been approved by the City Council as governing body for the successor agency, it must be audited by an external auditor. It is our understanding procedures for such audits are being prepared by the County of Kern. The audited ROPS will then be presented to the Oversight Board for approval and the approved ROPS must then be provided to the Kern County Auditor/Controller, the State Controller and the Department of Finance and posted on the successor agency's website.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Under AB 26, the City, as successor agency, may only pay the enforceable obligations of the former Agency listed on the ROPS. The successor agency is prohibited by AB 26 from entering into new obligations, except as necessary to administration of the successor agency and Oversight Board and the winding up of the Agency's business.

Reviewed by Finance Director

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Minute motion adoption of attached amended Recognized Obligations Payment Schedule

**CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDATION:**

Action as requested: Minute motion adoption of attached amended Recognized Obligations Payment Schedule

Submitted by: Tyrell Staheli  
(Rev. 2-13-12)

Action Date: 03-21-12

**DRAFT RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE**  
Per AB 26 - Section 34177 (\*)

Project Name / Debt Obligation	Payee	Description	Project Area	Total Outstanding Debt or Obligation	Total Due During Fiscal Year 2011-2012**	*** Funding Source	Payable from the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF)						
							Payments by month						
							Jan 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2012	Apr 2012	May 2012	Jun 2012	Total
1) 2002 Tax Allocation Bonds	U.S. Bank	Bonds issued to fund non-housing projects		905,000.00	482,250.00	RPTTF						474,250.00	\$ 474,250.00
2) 2010 Tax Allocation Bonds	U.S. Bank	Bonds issued to fund housing/non projects		33,375,000.00	2,880,061.00	RPTTF						2,859,761.26	\$ 2,859,761.26
3) Wastewater Loan	Ridgecrest WW Enterprise Fund	Loan to Business Park		200,000.00	205,000.00	RPTTF						205,000.00	\$ 205,000.00
4) Wastewater Loan	Ridgecrest WW Enterprise Fund	Loan to finance Ridgecrest Alt Energy Pro		3,142,700.00	644,254.00	RPTTF						644,254.00	\$ 644,254.00
5) 2005 COP (Building Lease)	U.S. Bank via City of Ridgecrest	Building Lease		8,080,000.00	748,256.00	RPTTF						741,146.26	\$ 741,146.26
6) Jail Operations/Maintenance	Kern County	Jail Operations/RDA settlement Agreement		488,921.00	265,000.00	RPTTF			81,000.00			184,000.00	\$ 265,000.00
7) 2002 Tax Allocation Bonds	U.S. Bank	Bond Trust Administration Fee		6,000.00	3,000.00	RPTTF	3,000.00						\$ 3,000.00
8) 2010 Tax Allocation Bonds	U.S. Bank	Bond Trust Administration Fee		40,000.00	1,538.00	RPTTF							\$ -
9) 2002 Tax Allocation Bonds	BLX Group	Arbitrage Analysis		4,500.00	2,250.00	RPTTF							\$ -
10) Public Safety Reimbursement	City of Ridgecrest	Reimburse for 3 officers to patrol Project		351,600.00	351,600.00	RPTTF	29,300	29,300	29,300	29,300	29,300	29,300	\$ 175,800.00
11) Agency held property	IWV Water District	Water Bill		210.00	210.00	RPTTF	17.49	17.49	17.49	17.49	17.49	17.49	\$ 104.94
12) Development Loan Program	Various Developers	Development Loan Program		3,100,000.00	3,100,000.00	RPTTF			50,000.00	50,000.00			\$ 100,000.00
13) Agency Dissolution Analysis	Rosenow Spevacek Group	Agency Dissolution Analysis		11,100.00	11,100.00	RPTTF	2,826.25		5,572.50				\$ 8,398.75
14) Profiles	US Media Television	Profiles		6,600.00	6,600.00	RPTTF	6,600.00						\$ 6,600.00
15) Annual Redevelopment Report	Thales Consulting	Annual Redevelopment Report		6,406.00	800.00	RPTTF	800.00						\$ 800.00
16) Low Income Mortgage Assistance	Placer Title Company	Low Income Mortgage Assistance		45,000.00	45,000.00	RPTTF			10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	8,000.00	\$ 38,000.00
17) Kern County Tax Credit	Kern County	Kern County Project Settlement		2,547,564.00	2,547,564.00	RPTTF				2,547,564.00			\$ 2,547,564.00
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Totals - This Page (RPTIF Funding)				\$ 52,310,601.00	\$ 11,294,483.00		\$ 42,543.74	\$ 29,317.49	\$ 175,889.99	\$ 2,636,881.49	\$ 39,317.49	\$ 5,145,729.01	\$ 8,069,679.21
Totals - Page 2 (Other Funding)				\$ 45,000.00	\$ 1,012,000.00		\$ 1,850,000.00	\$ 6,213,000.00	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 24,255,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,818,000.00
Totals - Page 3 (Administrative Cost Allowance)				\$ 941,784.00	\$ 929,784.00		\$ 78,482.00	\$ 78,482.00	\$ 78,482.00	\$ 78,482.00	\$ 78,482.00	\$ 78,482.00	\$ 470,892.00
Totals - Page 4 (Pass Thru Payments)				\$ 32,345,670.00	\$ 2,310,253.00		\$ -	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 1,155,126.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,227,126.50
Grand total - All Pages				\$ 53,297,385.00	\$ 13,236,267.00		\$ 1,971,025.74	\$ 6,320,799.49	\$ 754,371.99	\$ 26,970,363.49	\$ 117,799.49	\$ 5,224,211.01	\$ 42,585,697.71

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\*\* All totals due during fiscal year and payment amounts are projected.

\*\*\* Funding sources from the successor agency: (For fiscal 2011-12 only, references to RPTTF could also mean tax increment allocated to the Agency prior to February 1, 2012.)

RPTTF - Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund      Bonds - Bond proceeds      Other - reserves, rents, interest earnings, etc  
 LMIHF - Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund      Admin - Successor Agency Administrative Allowance

**DRAFT RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE**  
**Per AB 26 - Section 34177 (\*)**

Project Name / Debt Obligation	Payee	Description	Project Area	Total Outstanding Debt or Obligation	Total Due During Fiscal Year 2011-2012**	Funding Source ***	Payable from Other Revenue Sources							
							Payments by month							
							Jan 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2012	Apr 2012	May 2012	Jun 2012	Total	
1) Perason Prk/Upjohn Park Upgrade***	City of Ridgecrest	RDA Match of Project MF1101 Cost		325,000	325,000	Bonds			325,000					\$ 325,000.00
2) LJ & KM Sports Complex MP***	City of Ridgecrest	RDA Match of Project MF1102 cost		3,350,000	3,350,000	Bonds		1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	350,000			\$ 3,350,000.00
3) R/C Blvd: Mahan -China Lake***	City of Ridgecrest	RDA Match of Project ST0101 Cost		1,000,000	1,000,000	Bonds			1,000,000					\$ 1,000,000.00
4) Alleyway @ City Hall***	City of Ridgecrest	RDA Match of Project ST1107 Cost		50,000	50,000	Bonds			50,000					\$ 50,000.00
5) Corporate Yards***	TBD	TAB project Corporate Yards		3,000,000	3,000,000	Bonds			3,000,000					\$ 3,000,000.00
6) College Heights Infrastructure***	City of Ridgecrest	TAB project College Heights Infrastructure		1,600,000	1,600,000	Bonds			1,600,000					\$ 1,600,000.00
7) PMS Study***	City of Ridgecrest	TAB reimbursement for PMS Study		45,000	45,000	Bonds	45,000							\$ 45,000.00
8) PMS Designated Micro Paving***	City of Ridgecrest	TAB reimbursement for PMS Designated MP		900,000	300,000	Bonds			300,000					\$ 300,000.00
9) Old Town Enhancement Program***	Kosmont	Old Town Enhancement Program		40,000	40,000	Bonds		12,000	20,000		8,000			\$ 40,000.00
10) Balsam St Market	Smith Communications	Balsam Street Market		30,000	30,000	Bonds			30,000					\$ 30,000.00
11) Civic Center Solar Realignment Project	Agency	Reimbursement Agency for Solar Project		500,000	500,000	Bonds						500,000		\$ 500,000.00
12) Norma Improvements Bowman to CL***	TBD	Street Improvements to South Norma		800,000	800,000	Bonds				800,000				\$ 800,000.00
13) College Heights/CL Signal***	TBD	College Heights/CL Signal		50,000	50,000	Bonds				50,000				\$ 50,000.00
14) Additional Infrastructure CIP***	TBD	Additional Infrastructure CIP		9,165,000	9,165,000	Bonds			3,310,000		5,855,000			\$ 9,165,000.00
15) Economic Dev, Business Ret Grant***	TBD	Economic Dev, Business Ret Grant		2,750,000	2,750,000	Bonds			2,750,000					\$ 2,750,000.00
16) Old Town Enhancement Project***	TBD	Old Town Enhancement Project		440,000	440,000	Bonds			440,000					\$ 440,000.00
17) Aquatics Project***	TBD	Aquatics Project		800,000	800,000	Bonds			800,000					\$ 800,000.00
18) Olde Towne Wednesday Market		Olde Towne Wednesday Market		10,000.00	10,000.00	Bonds			10,000.00					\$ 10,000.00
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Totals - LMHF														\$0.00
Totals - Bonds							\$ 45,000.00	\$ 1,012,000.00	\$ 14,635,000.00	\$ 1,850,000.00	\$ 6,213,000.00	\$ 500,000.00		\$24,255,000.00
Totals - Other														\$0.00
Grand total - This Page				\$ -	\$ -		\$ 45,000.00	\$ 1,012,000.00	\$ 14,635,000.00	\$ 1,850,000.00	\$ 6,213,000.00	\$ 500,000.00		\$ 24,255,000.00

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**DRAFT RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE  
Per AB 26 - Section 34177 (\*)**

	Project Name / Debt Obligation	Payee	Description	Project Area	Total Outstanding Debt or Obligation	Total Due During Fiscal Year 2011-2012**	Funding Source **	Payable from the Administrative Allowance Allocation							
								Payments by month							Total
								Jan 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2012	Apr 2012	May 2012	Jun 2012		
1)	Employee Costs***	Various City Employees	Employee Cost for Administration of Debt		887,784	887,784	ADMIN	73,982	73,982	73,982	73,982	73,982	73,982	\$ 443,892.00	
2)	Attorney Fees	Lemieux & O'neil	Attorney Assistance		30,000.00	30,000.00	ADMIN	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	\$ 15,000.00	
3)	Attorney Fees	Stradling, Yocca, Carlson	Attorney Assistance		24,000.00	12,000.00	ADMIN	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	
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\* The Preliminary Draft Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS) is to be completed by 3/1/2012 by the successor agency, and subsequently be approved by the oversight board and audited by the County.

\*\* All total due during fiscal year and payment amounts are projected.

\*\*\* Funding sources from the successor agency: (For fiscal 2011-12 only, references to RPTTF could also mean tax increment allocated to the Agency prior to February 1, 2012.)

RPTTF - Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund                      Bonds - Bond proceeds                      Other - reserves, rents, interest earnings, etc  
 LMIHF - Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund                      Admin - Successor Agency Administrative Allowance





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**CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY/FINANCING AUTHORITY**  
**AGENDA ITEM**

**SUBJECT:**  
ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION INFORMING CALPERS OF THE DISCONTINUANCE OF EMPLOYER PAID MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

PRESENTED BY: Tyrell Staheli

**SUMMARY:**

The City of Ridgecrest has been paying the Employer Paid Member Contribution since 1983. This benefit equates to 8% of the employees compensation.

Per Council's action last week, the City is discontinuing the Employer Paid Member Contributions for unrepresented employees of the Miscellaneous group.

A resolution stating any changes to the EPMC is required for reporting to CalPERS.

The resolution is attached.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The approximate yearly savings to the General Fund is \$230,000

Reviewed by Finance Director

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Adopt attached resolution

**CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDATION:**

Action as requested:

Submitted by: Tyrell Staheli  
(Rev. 6-12-09)

Action Date: 03-21-12

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**RESOLUTION NO. 12-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF CITY OF RIDGECREST  
FOR EMPLOYER PAID MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS TO CALPERS**

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of the City of Ridgecrest has the authority to implement Government Code Section 20691; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has authorized certain measures to reduce the impact of the dissolution of the Ridgecrest Redevelopment Agency, one of which is the elimination of Employer Paid Member Contribution(EMPC) to CalPERS for unrepresented groups; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the steps in the procedures to implement Section 20691 is the adoption by the governing body of the City of Ridgecrest of a Resolution to discontinue said Employer Paid Member Contribution; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of the City of Ridgecrest has identified the following conditions for the purpose of its election to discontinue paying the EMPC:

- This reduction in benefit shall apply to all employees who are unrepresented members of the Miscellaneous group.
- This reduction shall require the unrepresented employees of the aforementioned group to pay pre-tax the 8% member contribution.
- The effective date of this resolution shall be March 19<sup>th</sup> 2012.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the governing body of the City of Ridgecrest elects to discontinue payment of the EPMC on behalf of the unrepresented employees of the Miscellaneous group.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 21st day of March, 2012, by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

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Ronald H. Carter, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rachel J. Ford CMC  
City Clerk

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**CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY/HOUSING  
AUTHORITY/FINANCING AUTHORITY AGENDA ITEM**

**SUBJECT:**

A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Announcing Proclamations Prepared For The Month Of March And Schedule Date Of Presentation

**PRESENTED BY:**

Rachel J. Ford, City Clerk

**SUMMARY:**

The Ridgecrest City Council receives requests for presentation of ceremonial proclamations for various events and observations. The resolution lists proclamations that have been processed and will be presented at the Kerr McGee Center on the date and time shown.

1. *Jr. Bluejacket of the Year*
2. *Sr. Bluejacket of the Year*

**To Be Presented At Kerr McGee Center On Saturday, March 24, 2012 At 6:00pm**

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None

None

Reviewed by Finance Director

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve a resolution authorizing the presentation of proclamations and scheduling the time and date for presentation.

**CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDATION:**

Action as requested: Approve a resolution authorizing the presentation of proclamations and scheduling the time and date for presentation.

Submitted by: Rachel J. Ford  
(Rev.6/12/09)

Action Date: March 21, 2012

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**RESOLUTION NO. 12-xx**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL  
ANNOUNCING PROCLAMATIONS PREPARED FOR THE  
MONTH OF MARCH 2012 AND SCHEDULED DATE OF  
PRESENTATION**

The Ridgecrest City Council receives requests for presentation of ceremonial proclamations for various event and observations. The following proclamations have been processed and will be presented at location, date and time shown below:

**Proclamation Titles**

Junior Bluejacket of the Year Week – March 18-25, 2012 (recipient to be announced on March 24, 2012)

Senior Bluejacket of the Year Week – March 18-25, 2012 (recipient to be announced on March 24, 2012)

***These Proclamations will be presented on Saturday, March 24, 2012 at China Lake Naval Weapons Station Annual Bluejacket Dinner to be held at the Kerr McGee Center***

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2012 by the following vote:**

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Ronald H. Carter, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rachel J. Ford, CMC  
City Clerk

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**SUMMARY:**

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1. *Honoring Eagle Scout Samuel N. Hurst*
2. *Honoring Eagle Scout Tanner Grant*

**To Be Presented At City Hall On Thursday, March 22, 2012 At 12:00pm Noon**

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None

None

Reviewed by Finance Director

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve a resolution authorizing the presentation of proclamations and scheduling the time and date for presentation.

**CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDATION:**

Action as requested: Approve a resolution authorizing the presentation of proclamations and scheduling the time and date for presentation.

Submitted by: Rachel J. Ford  
(Rev.6/12/09)

Action Date: March 21, 2012

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Honoring Eagle Scout Samuel N. Hurst

Honoring Eagle Scout Tanner Grant

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**APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2012 by the following vote:**

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Ronald H. Carter, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rachel J. Ford, CMC  
City Clerk

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**CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY/HOUSING  
AUTHORITY/FINANCING AUTHORITY AGENDA ITEM**

**SUBJECT:**

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**PRESENTED BY:**

Rachel J. Ford, City Clerk

**SUMMARY:**

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1. *Recognizing the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Girl Scouts of America*

**To Be Presented At City Hall On Thursday, March 22, 2012 At 12:00pm Noon**

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None

None

Reviewed by Finance Director

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve a resolution authorizing the presentation of proclamations and scheduling the time and date for presentation.

**CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDATION:**

Action as requested: Approve a resolution authorizing the presentation of proclamations and scheduling the time and date for presentation.

Submitted by: Rachel J. Ford  
(Rev.6/12/09)

Action Date: March 21, 2012

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AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Ronald H. Carter, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rachel J. Ford, CMC  
City Clerk

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**CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY/HOUSING  
AUTHORITY/FINANCING AUTHORITY AGENDA ITEM**

**SUBJECT:**

Minutes of the Regular City Council/Successor Redevelopment Agency/Housing Authority/Financing Authority Meeting of March 7, 2012

**PRESENTED BY:**

Rachel J. Ford, City Clerk

**SUMMARY:**

Draft minutes of the Regular City Council/Successor Redevelopment Agency/Housing Authority/Financing Authority Meeting of March 7, 2012

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None

Reviewed by Finance Director:

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve minutes

**CITY MANAGER 'S RECOMMENDATION:**

Action as requested:

Submitted by: Rachel J. Ford  
(Rev. 6-12-09)

Action Date: March 21, 2012

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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL  
RIDGECREST HOUSING AUTHORITY  
RIDGECREST FINANCE AUTHORITY**

**City Council Chambers  
100 West California Avenue  
Ridgecrest, California 93555**

**March 7, 2012  
6:30 p.m.**

This meeting was recorded and will be on file in the Office of the City Clerk for a certain period of time from date of approval by City Council/Redevelopment Agency. Meetings are recorded for the purpose of preparation of minutes.

**CALL TO ORDER – 5:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

Council Present: Mayor Ronald H. Carter; Mayor Pro Tem Marshall 'Chip' Holloway; Vice Mayor Jerry D. Taylor; Council Member Steven P. Morgan; and Council Member Jason Patin

Staff Present: City Manager Kurt O. Wilson; City Clerk Rachel J. Ford; City Attorney Keith Lemieux; and other staff

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Added Closed Session Item:**

GC54956(b) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation. Benz Sanitation, Inc. v. City of Ridgecrest

*Motion To Approve Agenda As Amended Made By Council Member Patin; Second By Council Member Taylor. Motion Carried By Voice Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT – CLOSED SESSION**

- No public comment presented.

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### CLOSED SESSION – 5:00 p.m.

GC54956.9 (A) Conference With Legal Counsel, Potential Litigation. County of Kern v. City of Ridgecrest

GC54957.6 Labor Negotiations – United Food and Commercial Workers Golden State 8 (UFCW); Police Employee Association of Ridgecrest (PEAR); Management; Mid-Management; Confidential; Part-Time Employees. Agency Negotiator City Manager Kurt Wilson

### REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 p.m.

- Pledge Of Allegiance
- Invocation

### CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

- Closed Session
  - Conference with Legal Counsel, Potential Litigation. County Of Kern V. City Of Ridgecrest – Report Received, No Reportable Action.
  - Conference With Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation, Benz Sanitation, Inc. V. City Of Ridgecrest – Report Received, No Reportable Action. Public report given with favorable ruling in case. Two cases: Arbitration by city against Benz and Benz civil case against the city and today this case was stayed until a resolution in the arbitration is completed.
  - Labor Negotiations – No reportable action however some topics will be discussed in public forum.
- Other
  - none

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Tracy Kirby – Ivey – Swenson

- parent of disabled and blind child and is asking for a sign on the street for caution between Mahan and Norma. Attempting to teach independent travel and traffic is making it difficult.
- Jerry Taylor asked this be brought to infrastructure meeting.

Shannon Ballast

- Ridgecrest resident for 16 years with children in public school system. Is a preschool teacher proposing privatization of Kerr McGee preschool program with lease option of current facilities and purchase of materials. Believes option will provide academic and social skills to enter public school systems and relieve all cost for the program to city. Requests meeting with city staff to discuss.
- Mayor Carter requested speaker contact City Manager.

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Barbara Auld

- Spoke on donation policy with the city and encouraged citizens to make donations to the city to help prepare for the BRAC. Spoke on article in paper by Mick Gleason. City is vital working instrument to protect the base when BRAC comes. Need to be ready. Affects schools and other industries in the valley. China Lake Alliance is a volunteer organization working under the economic development to support the base and community. Commissioners will look at how helpful the community is. Resolution 05-53 is the city donation policy. Community involvement is a great reflection for BRAC.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Investment Report Staheli
2. Approve A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Authorizing The Application For And Acceptance Of The East Kern Air Pollution Control District Motor Vehicle Emission Reduction Program Grant Strand
3. Approve A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Authorizing The Purchase Of Buses Through Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement, and Service Enhancement Account (PTMISEA) Funds Speer
4. Approve A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest Authorizing The City Manager Or Designee To File An Application For Funding From The State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, 2008 Disaster Recovery Initiative Grant Allocation In The Amount Of \$250,000, And To Sign Any And All Grant Related Documents, Contracts, Or Amendments Wilson
5. Approve Draft Minutes Of The Regular City Council Meeting Of February 15, 2012 Ford

- Items 2 Pulled for discussion

*Motion To Approve Consent Calendar As Amended Made By Council Member Morgan , Second By Council Member Taylor . Motion Carried By Voice Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent.*

### ITEM 2 DISCUSSION

Jerry Taylor

- Asked if this required matching funds and if City was locked into proceeding.

Kurt Wilson

- Yes there is a match required however if Council chooses to not proceed the option is still available.

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*Motion To Approve Item 2 Made By Council Member Morgan, Second By Council Member Taylor. Motion Carried By Voice Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.*

### PUBLIC HEARING

#### 6. Unmet Needs Public Hearing

**Speer**

Dennis Speer

- Gave Staff report.

Public Hearing Opened At 6:55 P.M.

Jerry Taylor

- Used to get money to pave roads but because of requirement to meet unmet needs we have to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars to serve a couple riders. If we could reduce cost on transit could use the remaining monies to help balance road costs.

Steve Morgan

- Idea behind this funding is must provide transportation first to the extent to reasonably allow anyone who wants to use the system may do so. It is true that for years Ridgecrest had a larger sum of money because we had a smaller system. Unfortunately, as this has evolved to the point the Ridgecrest determined to move to a quasi-fixed system then costs have gone up. We have expanded our system to the point that there is very little left for road repair. Not that city wishes to do this, but is required to provide the transportation in that way. If we could find a way to expend less funds and use the rest for potholes then would be happy to do so. In current process, we do not have the ability to lessen the cost and have the remainder. This money is specifically target at providing a public transportation system.

Jerry Taylor

- Understand the concept but we have a local taxi service that could help offset the costs. Concerned with the process that we are obligated to follow that keep escalating the cost. Hope we are able to get the information to those individuals who are forcing this on us so we might be able to right-size our system.

Steve Morgan

- City does have the opportunity to reject the funding but would no longer provide a transportation system and the money would go away. We are not expending general funds other than maintenance or design on occasions.

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Jerry Taylor

- Was hoping someone from Kern COG would be here. Trying to increase the percentage that we could use for roads.

Mayor Carter

- This is federal funding that we must use the way they require.

Jason Patin

- Does this impact our general fund?

Dennis Speer

- Maintenance is budgeted and the program is fully self-funded. Operate around \$800k and receive \$1 million plus.

Jerry Taylor

- Comment is to try and make that \$300k we use for roads larger.

Dave Matthews

- Title on agenda is incomplete. Supporting documentation does identify unmet transit need. Understand Mr. Taylor frustration. However, price of gasoline has sky-rocketed and if it keeps going up then suspect ridership on public transportation will increase, so long as cost is more reasonable for the riders. Mentioned taxi service, recently contacted taxi to go out to dinner at the senior rate which cost \$4.00 which has increased to \$7.00 each way plus a side trip which totaled \$21.25 which is unreasonable for senior or low income individuals. Suggest city try to get competition for taxi service to keep prices down or extend public transit system hours of operation.

Paul Vanderwerf

- Ridership possible partnership with schools and commute with base workers. Many communities offer a monthly pass at \$20 and suggest staggering school times and work times. School, base, college and community working together. Speak with agencies outside of government. Told story of Las Vegas athlete who waited 4 hours not knowing she had to schedule the ride. Transportation system doesn't support base when many people work on the base. Frustrating for all sides. Paying for busses to sit empty that could be used for schools and base.

*Motion To Approve Resolution Establishing Unmet Transit Need Was Made By Council Member Morgan, Second By Council Member Patin. Motion Carried By Voice Vote Of 5 Ayes. 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, And 0 Absent.*

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### DISCUSSION AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS

#### 7. Adoption of the Draft Recognized Obligations Payment Schedule Pursuant to ABX1 26 Staheli

Tyrell Staheli

- Gave Staff report.

Steve Morgan

- Being required to produce this document and still don't know who these people are who will review this document, how will we contact these people with questions.

Tyrell Staheli

- Working with county controller.

Kurt Wilson

- Staff is working with other agencies for appointments which will come back to council. Some agencies have already made appointments and anticipate having all appointments made and meetings to begin shortly

Steve Morgan

- Please explain conversations you have had with these folks.

Jason Patin

- Did state request our list be submitted before we approve it?

Tyrell Staheli

- Correct, have ability to make changes.

Jerry Taylor

- In looking at list, we have monthly payments, does this need to be corrected

Tyrell Staheli

- If we don't make a payment, then the projects are pushed back to the next 6 month period. More accurate by project rather than payment schedule.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Tom Wiknich

- In looking at the list, one thing being asked for is more detail and definition about what the city is doing. There is a perception that all information is not being provided. Openness is important and in looking at the list have yet to see a full presentation of what these numbers are for. There have been committee

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meeting and some discussion in council meetings but requesting a presentation in-depth of each project. Example is sports complexes, what will city do with the \$3.4 million dollars. Need definition. If for road, what roads, how is the money specifically going to be used? If we had a full presentation to public and open discussion then perhaps there might be some changes. Asking for more details and full disclosure so public can fully understand what is being done. Once approved, these will be a point that it can't be changed and the longer we go without the information the less likely we are to be able to make changes.

Dave Matthews

- Not clear whether we have TAB money to spend on some of the projects being planned. Not clear whether these projects will get done. Very frustrated at this time because for 25+ years have been trying to get city to change the light fixtures in two sports complexes which are a public transportation hazard.

Howard Auld

- Don't understand the procedure. If going to adopt the draft, what does it do? When will you adopt the final schedule rather than the draft?

Tyrell – is a draft until approved by the oversight committee.

Kurt Wilson – these are not creating new projects; just recognize projects that were already being processed.

Jerry Taylor

- Understand Mr. Wiknich frustration but have problem with making changes when the oversight committee hasn't been formed yet. Ultimately needs to come back to council and projects are not approved yet, just a bureaucratic process we are obligated to follow. Been working with this list for a long time and will try to make changes but don't have that ability yet.

Steve Morgan

- Agree with Mr. Taylor. This is a 'mother may I' we had obligations and are trying to get the state to agree with the obligations and if they do then will continue with the projects and the debt will be paid. If state does not agree then we will lose the ability to proceed with some of the projects. We are doing what the state is requiring and answering to a board that does not currently exist.

Jason Patin

- This process was public thru open committee meetings before ever going to council. Disagree with the statements that this process has not been public. Currently not clear to us whether we can proceed and we as council are frustrated with the process. Don't know what is or is not going to be taken away from us. State isn't telling us what we can or cannot do. Don't have a choice but to deal with it until they tell us something.

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Jerry Taylor

- Point of clarification, the list was put together by staff and was not publicly vetted at council level. Prioritizing was not done except at the committee level.

Chip Holloway

- Represent desert mountain division and the same level of frustration was exhibited in their meeting as we are experiencing here. Representatives at the state level were present and nobody can agree on anything. This reminds me of the process we had to go thru with cal recycles. Each week there are new changes. Nobody has the answer on the right way to do this; every time we jump thru a hoop they raise the bar higher.

Ron Carter

- State created this without guidelines and they have no idea what the guidelines should be. Is very difficult and frustrating.

*Minute Motion To Approve Resolution Adopting Recognized Obligations Payment Schedule Pursuant To ABX1 26 Made By Council Member Taylor, Second By Council Member Morgan. Motion Carried By Voice Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.*

**8. Approve a Resolution Designating A Revised Tax Allocation Bond (TAB) Street Priority List. which indicates \$3.6 Million For Immediate Distribution**  
Speer

Dennis Speer

- Gave Staff Report of revised priority list attached as Exhibit A

Jerry Taylor

- Thanked staff for bringing forward. Reviewed spreadsheet of alternate costs which have been reduced. Stretching the dollars.

Jason Patin

- TAB funds and moving forward. Why aren't we doing same for parks.

Kurt Wilson

- This is a specific plan that council directed come back with. Planning to bring entire parks list at one time rather than specific plans. at discretion of council to bring parks master plan back to council

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Renee Westalusk

- Wondered about east Upjohn near Upjohn park isn't included.

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Dennis Speer

- Following the list provided by our pavement management study. These streets account for year one and 2 projects of year two of the study. If the street didn't make the cut for the first 3 years then will be delayed.

Kurt Wilson

- Estimate of years is limited to funding available. More money designated for the projects speeds up the process.

Renee Westalusk

- That section of road is in terrible shape and needs to be fixed.

Tom Wiknich

- Good List, please move forward.

*Motion To Approve Resolution Designating A Revised Tax Allocation Bond (TAB) Street Priority List. which indicates \$3.6 Million For Immediate Distribution Made By Council Member Morgan , Second By Council Member Taylor. Motion Carried By Voice Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent.*

### **9. Update On Fiscal Emergency And Decisions Regarding Proposed Solutions Wilson**

Kurt Wilson

- Gave power point presentation. (copy available in Clerk's office)

Jerry Taylor

- Tough times and don't really want to be here but currently losing funds daily without action. Need to stop the bleeding but not willing to forego technology upgrades. Difficult to use an antiquated system such as the payroll system. Don't believe this a good strategy to use one-time money to forego layoffs that are inevitable. Need to move forward with giving some notifications of proposed personnel layoffs and need to work thru contingencies when dealing with contracts. Need to make the hard decisions. Also make recommendations that all employees affected by benefits changes be done immediately, clarification this is only until the end of this fiscal year. Don't want to put cafeteria cash-out on the list.

Keith Lemieux – asked council member Morgan to recues himself at the point of making a motion. Respectfully request voluntary recues from this discussion.

Steve Morgan – so noted, I'm staying.

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Jerry Taylor

- If Steve remains, would this invalidate the decision we may make.

Keith Lemieux

- it puts the decision at risk. I can only make a recommendation to Mr. Morgan and he is free to make his own decision. I can only make the recommendation.

Jerry Taylor

- Benefits in terms of PERS, wish it could be 50% rather than 8%. Asking city manager to move forward on those that we can immediately affect. Do want to discuss cash-out in future. Recommend council benefit package be eliminated immediately for the rest of this fiscal year. Hope bargaining units will be considerate of the time and try to move forward. Trying to provide services and maintain as best we can. Ask council and city manager to reduce travel costs as much as possible.

Steve Morgan

- Understand fully what is occurring and ask you temper any unpleasantness you may have to fellow council members. They are uneasy with my being here and I understand. Appreciate the attorney unease as well. Last meeting I listened at the frustration grow and know what my fellow council members are trying to do what is in the best interest of the city. to all employees who came up with suggestions, thank you. Believe we can accomplish for the remainder of this fiscal year, not cutting positions. From what has been presented by Mr. Wilson and from what I believe our staff members have indicated in salary reductions and other benefits they would voluntarily give up I believe we could maintain the staff for this current year and still be balanced. Believe we have the time to work with the union negotiators for the next year. Much of the information we are receiving has not been officially vetted with the unions so have a communication issue to address. I believe our employees have the best interest of the city at heart and feel it is my place to be able to express those views. I understand that a vote for layoffs hold legal implications and I must abstain. The items given to most of us we can't make all employees half time, not legal. Great suggestion that would cut cost but is not legal. We are taking every suggestion serious and need to make sure our unions are getting these documents. Need to have a council designee sit in on negotiations to force daily negotiations to occur then need to do that. I don't believe this issue will not result in reduction in force, and believe our employees also believe reductions will be necessary. With contributions we are hopeful. Would like to see discussed uniform allowances taken away, an additional 5% reduction to police department and balance our expenditures better between police department and the entire rest of city expenditures. Need to be reasonable in that regard. Believe these are all possible. We have impending contracts that we have agreed to that we need to reopen or have discussions because the agreements were prior to the state

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taking away redevelopment. If we don't have the discussions there will be more layoffs.

Chip Holloway

- Want to refocus to this budget cycle. Thanked staff for putting council in a position to move forward for this year without major staff cuts. However, the train is still coming straight at us. Council has had it with this level of cuts. Time to make the tough cuts looking forward to the next years issues. Don't disagree with any of the recommendations. Would like to add is the 2.7% at 55 and go back to 2.0% at 55. Future discussion is shared medical costs with minimum of 10% contribution to medical costs.

Jason Patin

- not here to put a band aid on this fiscal year. Staff has dissected these numbers but don't believe it fixes the problem and will be looking at more cuts in June. Still continuing one-time funding to balance the budget. Have to stop depending on one-time funds and live within our means with the money we know are there. Have to get our house in order and move forward. Live within the money we know we have. One-time funding should be in addition to and used to do things we could not normally do. Going to be employee cuts and the rest of the suggestions will hopefully turn out well for us. Need to make cuts today rather than push till June.

Ron Carter

- Decisions we are going to make are very difficult. Thanked staffs who have listened to public comments and council. Have asked for your requests and you have provided us with good information. This is not easy, prefer to not make cuts but if we don't make them now will have to do it in the new budget cycle. Very difficult, but appreciate staff for all you have done to put this package together. Hope things happen that will make it easier for the next cycle.

Jerry Taylor

- pulled the Parks & Recreation Director, leaving all other positions; PERS for those that are immediate and social security; eliminate council benefit package, negotiate long-term PERS amendment for employees 2% at 60; look at RACVB funding.

*Motion As Stated Previously Made By Council Member Taylor, Second By Council Member Holloway If Amended To Remove RACVB From Recommendations.*

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### PUBLIC COMMENT

Dave Matthews

- I don't think the process has been open enough to public and suggest council not pass the resolution because public has not seen this list before. Heard conflicting statements. If can get thru this year without making cuts because of certain concessions that may be coming. Statement of next fiscal year. Didn't hear consideration to the possibility to sales tax increase which is coming down the pike. Data missing and should not pass tonight, hold a special meeting. To pass without public having opportunity to look at it is out of bounds.

Harris Brokke

- Motion as made is unclear to many people in the room; please state the motion again as a motion clearly.

Barbara Auld

- Difficult for public to understand what is going on. I don't understand the motion. Have a lot of things been considered like cutting salaries. We don't know what positions are being cut? Can't keep up with what is being said.

Jim Fallgatter

- Appreciate the work that has been done. Very difficult decision tonight. Mr. Morgan is concentrating on union and those positions rather than higher paid salaried positions. We know what we can do within the law. Sounds like the RDA unfunded positions it is clear what to do with those positions and functions. PERS, why punt if we can make the decision on that item. Was a nice perk that we could offer in the past but can't do it anymore? As far as when to do this, can we add more furlough days for salaried people? What is something in between a layoff? Is there wiggle room for salaried employees? Heard employees who said they would take cuts, something to look at. One-time money we should stay away from. Agree with the MIS system needing updated. Message here for council is we are still hoping for a tax increase in June. Think it would send a bad message to delay what you can do now. Need to be concerned with public perception of not being able to make the hard choices. Wish the council wisdom.

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Tom Wiknich

- Agree with a lot of comments made by the public and council tonight. Make the hard decisions. Council is the full vetting of an issue. Made suggestions for cuts and didn't get agreement to make them move forward. Lead by example and start at the top. Make sacrifices at your level and the city manager. No travel or training that is not required by law. No Sacramento trips for training. Do more in making sure business licenses are paid and make it a multiple year license. Offer discount if pay for up to 5 years. Main suggestion is building inspection. Bring in-house. We looked into having staff and contractors do it rather than county. Use contract support to cover vacations and sick leave and expertise that one building inspector does not have. Have yet to get a concrete answer. In looking into it, previous city manager said it was a good idea. There are other things to look at. Lead by example and if already doing it let us know. Know we can get thru this and move forward.

Jim Humphrey

- Senior shop steward for UFCW Local 8. Acknowledge we recognize the gravity of the situation both immediate and long-term. Fiscal emergency is nothing new, for 3 years UFCW employees have taken a 10% cut in furloughs and salaries. Two represented bargaining units in the city. Gave general fund impact figures for salaries and benefits from state controller's office. Always enjoyed amicable open dialogue with previous administrations. Frustrated with lack of information received from City. Understand hard decisions have to be made. Make the decisions and we can go back to the table to mediate them. Union is concerned with the future 1.9 million. Council members are welcome to attend negotiations.

Hurley Vanderpool

- Also shop steward for UFCW Local 8. This is not new to us. Since 2006 employees have not seen a COLA. Last year spent two weeks trying to get ½% just to show the employees they are getting something. These are the employees that are called at all hours of the night and day for safety issues. Average take home pay is only \$800 per pay period. Average take home pay based on current concessions, taxes, Medicare etc. is only 46% of salary. Understand the situation, but tired of giving and not getting back. we can't come up with matching funds to get a lot of the grant funding available. Back off of the purchasing and give back to the people to work for you.

Mike Neel

- The list provided with number, is that eliminating the position or a reduction of salary?

Jerry Taylor

- Elimination of the position and salary savings for the balance of this year. Taking parks & recreation director off the list temporarily while we formulate a plan for the programs.

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Mike Neel

- Will there be further discussion and motions of other things on the list?

Jerry Taylor

- Motion is this list, council benefits, and PERS amendment to formula.

Mike Neel

- With these items, there is still \$200k left to be funded?

Jerry Taylor

- Still will not have the full amount covered, could be up or down with other things potentially coming.

Mike Neel

- Possibility of internal loan, where would that fund be taken from?

Ron Carter

- that is not the recommendation

Mike Neel

- Will it be addressed in future?

Ron Carter

- Will have to continue working with this in the future and the next budget cycle.

Mike Neel

- In light of comments and long-term problem, this is a temporary patch. Something needs to be done for the future and next fiscal year. Agree with Mr. Fallgatter, suggest certain levels of positions with salary be tied to median Ridgecrest salaries. Chain up from the lower level, significant salary reductions for those who make the high salaries. If going to get there next year, will have to reduce salaries. Can't rely on sales tax, so plan expenses to deal without it. Biggest expense is where you have to cut. Loans isn't being considered at this point, multiple loans from wastewater fund and isn't ethical to loan from this fund. If sewer pipe bursts the funds won't be there. Leave wastewater alone and figure out spending cuts.

Stan Rajtora

- One criterion for who is and is not funded is based on general fund or RDA funding. The funds were so intermingled there really was only one fund. Should go back to what is important, what functions are needed. Second position on the list, planning and economic development is eliminate planning and keep economic development which improves our town. If no economic development is going on then there is no planning going on. The past few years we have not had true planning going on. Congratulate council for recognizing we can't kick the can down the road any further. Sad that people will be losing their jobs, but economic will save our community at this time and planning is not needed right now.

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Howard Auld

- I see numbers that aren't that formidable, NRA; Navy Foundation, and Elk Foundations raise over \$100k annually with a dinner. Go to City and let them know the situation and how important it is. If you want to save the city then go to the citizens. Money could be raised and the problem could be solved.

Bob Smith

- RDA discussion with Council Member Clark eight years ago. When this decision by Supreme Court came up in December I understood what it meant to my position. Asked each council member to read the banner behind them "in God we trust' let's move forward and vote on these issues.

Paul Vanderwerf

- Researched other areas of the country, primary interest was non-profit and involvement in the community. Part of solution is to raise money but only 20% of the people will do 80% of the work. Non-profits can donate time for some of the things needing done, but have to have a needs assessment to fully understand the situation. Need a community plan to move forward. When services are looked at in the government level, more likely to look toward other entities for help but we don't have those to lean on. Don't see a community long-term plan. Example of base softball using current facilities in city. Community plan and working with city partners. City manager run government is more expensive. Don't have the solution but know we don't have the things in place to look at such as list of all available non-profits that could be a resource for us. If you have a homogenous community then easier to make and follow a community plan. Community needs to drive this program, not the council. Gave example of childhood fundraiser. Need to get back to people helping with the solution by being active. People can't afford to pay for everything. Schools charge so much for busses the kids aren't riding them. Have to have a needs assessment and community plan. Community needs to step up and organize to tell city where we can save the money.

Jim Fallgatter

- Understand what this motion but people are wondering what happened to the other list and perhaps two motions for the two different lists. Need to get things moving. For instance, Tom Wiknich idea to see about sub-contracting building inspections.

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Jerry Taylor

- The Motion is to eliminate Director Of Public Service services, the elimination of the Economic Development position, the Executive Secretary and Code Enforcement, along with requesting as soon as possible to remove our payment in essence as employees that we can affect which includes City Manager on down or those not currently in a bargaining unit, their PERS which is approximately 8% and then in addition to that the long term direction is to look at potentially moving PERS, as an example 2.7% at 60 or anything like that I'm not sure if Mr. Holloway would like to clarify that, additionally look at anything in terms of cost sharing relative to the benefit package, again that's more long-term and not immediate, those are the ones that were in the motion, clarification Rachel? (Inaudible response) Oh thank you, and then also looking at employee's paying what is properly normally their share of social security where appropriate at this point, obviously can't affect immediately the bargaining units. That's my motion.

Mayor Carter

- Do we have a second, Chip you ok with that?

Chip Holloway

- Do you want to include the technology administrative remedies that were already brought forward by staff?

Jerry Taylor

- True, yes, that's the, help me out here City Manager relative to the position, sorry uh the information technology the carryover relative to one-time money, I'm not willing to put that into the motion.

Kurt Wilson

- Can you repeat the question, I apologize.

Chip Holloway

- Inaudible response

Jerry Taylor

- Apologize public, what's before us is the use of one-time funds if that is what you are looking at Mr. Holloway, we're obviously taking advantage of not backfilling a fully funded police officer at this point I do want to clarify here for the public that Redevelopment paid for 3 Police Officers, part of the Captain's salary and part of the Police Chief's salary, notice none of that is on this list. So it's not clearly black and white what was RDA and what was not, that's not how these cuts are being made, but I'm not sure what you are asking for Mr. Holloway, I'll let you say it.

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Chip Holloway

- Inaudible comment to Council Member Taylor

Jerry Taylor

- Oh, the ROP, I apologize we have (inaudible) City Manager you could help me out on the ROP guess the police and salaries, I apologize just a point of clarification, it's the 147.

Kurt Wilson

- I'm not sure what the question is.

Chip Holloway

- Did you need those cuts as part of the motion, this is a public concern that those won't be included. I don't know if they are automatics

Kurt Wilson

- The things on that list are not actually cuts but revenues that you already took action on.

Chip Holloway

- Ok, so for the public's sake then those will be included.

Jerry Taylor

- They are potential revenue generations for us.

Kurt Wilson

- That's the item you did previously, you already adopted that and those were already included.

Jerry Taylor

- Mayor that's my motion, I'm sorry for the confusion.

Mayor Carter

- All those in favor say Aye.

Jerry Taylor

- I'm not sure we have a second yet Mayor.

Chip Holloway

- Second

Mayor Carter

- Asked for a roll call Vote

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### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Council Member Patin - no

Council Member Morgan – abstain

Council Member Taylor – aye

Council Member Holloway – aye

Mayor Carter – aye

City Clerk – Motion Carries by roll call vote of 3 aye's (Taylor, Holloway, Carter), 1 abstain (Morgan), 1 no (Patin)

### **DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Infrastructure Committee**

Members: Steve Morgan, Jerry Taylor, Craig Porter, James Sanders

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 5:00 p.m., Council Conference Room

Next Meeting: March 14, 2012

Jerry Taylor – meeting date changed to March 19. Reviewed potential agenda items

#### **Quality of Life**

Members: Chip Holloway, Jason Patin, Craig Porter, Carter Pope

Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every even month at 12:00 p.m.; Kerr-McGee Center

Next Meeting: April 5, 2012

Chip Holloway – announced next meeting date

#### **City Organization**

Members: Ron Carter, Jerry Taylor, Lois Beres, Christopher LeCornu

Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 5:00 p.m.; Council Conference Room

Next meeting: March 20, 2012

Jerry Taylor – no meeting

#### **Community Development Committee**

Members: Steve Morgan, Jason Patin, Christopher LeCornu, James Sanders

Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 5:00 p.m.; Council Conference Room

Next Meeting: March 8, 2012

Jason Patin – have not met, march 8 meeting cancelled

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### **Activate Community Talents and Interventions For Optimal Neighborhoods Task Force (ACTION)**

Members: Ron Carter, Chip Holloway, Ron Strand

Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of odd numbered months at 4:00 p.m., Kerr-McGee Center

Next Meeting: March 13, 2012

Ron Carter – will not have March 13 meeting.

### **Ridgecrest Area Convention and Visitors Bureau (RACVB)**

Members: Chip Holloway, Jason Patin

Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month, 8:00 a.m.

Next meeting: April 4, 2012 and location to be announced

Chip Holloway – gave directors report *(copy available in Clerk's office)*

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

Steve Morgan – Kern COG held award ceremony, Bruce Auld and Ruth Justice received awards for their work, congratulations.

## **CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

Kurt Wilson

- Clarify intent, the administrative actions would all move forward with exception of MIS fund.

Chip Holloway

- Made motion to move forward with administrative actions with exception of MIS fund, Building fund, and printing fund.

Jerry Taylor

- Does not believe it critical and willing to bring back.

Jason Patin

- Agrees to bring back the motion withdrawal

Jerry Taylor

- Not willing to give up the MIS funds but willing to consider all others at another time.

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### MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Jason Patin

- Voted no because would rather resolve the full situation instead of a band-aid. The 22<sup>nd</sup> of February, Mike Hunsecker was lost to the community. For those who knew him, he was the most kind and gentle person. Treated my son like he was his own. For the loss to the family and community, ask you keep the family in your prayers.

Steve Morgan

- Interesting at times when you are backed into a corner what you hear and think you hear. Applaud council in moving forward in making tough decisions. Do not necessarily agree with methodology but applaud the decisions. For someone to use this as a platform to say you don't think the sales tax will be passed is inappropriate. What council is doing to balance the budget both this year and next is tough. Community needs to partner with council to help us make these decisions. This is not for the recognition and benefits we receive, we are community member too. Keep on the right message as we move thru the process, do not try to make political statements and cross lines that don't match is stupid. This is a process that is not pleasant but had to be done. Lets base our decisions on the best information we have and move forward.

Jerry Taylor

- None of this is easy, agonized a long time. This is a foundation that needed to be laid to cut funding on an annual basis. Want to provide services and the unions are the ones who provide these services. There are economic development challenges which along with other services will have to be done differently. Unfortunately, this is only the beginning. Appreciate Mr. Wiknich suggestions and will look at this but also looking at combined county services. Obviously need to go further, understand the city manager's request but need to continue to look at cutting costs and freezing positions. Can't say for certain what the city will look at on the other side. See us surviving for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Chip Holloway

- Appreciate everyone who showed up for Mike Hunsecker. He will be greatly missed. To Mr. Wiknich, did follow up with in-house building inspector and the word I got back was the numbers don't add up. Congratulations to Bruce Auld and Ruth Justice for their awards from Kern COG. Situation tonight, I am glass half full. A lot of the things presented are contingencies and looking for good news ahead. Want to be proactive in June, this is painful but had to be done. Public will always be frustrated with this process same as council is frustrated because we aren't allowed to talk to each other. Each council member presented their own plans. Kurt and Ty had to deal with us daily and trying to incorporate everyone's good ideas while the clock ticks is a frustrating process.

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Feel good that everyone understands the path we are going down and is time to move forward. Really frustrated with budgets and not being able to have funds available. The number one job creator in our community does not pay taxes. Been researching other cities and working on a plan, presented state statistics of property tax per resident per community from 2009 back comparing local cities to Ridgecrest showing our property tax amounts were less than \$20 per person when California Cities and others were receiving up to \$80 per person.

Ron Carter

- Thanked citizens and unions who gave ideas and suggestions. Made hard decisions tonight. Appreciate understanding and patience because will have to continue to work with this as we build the budget for next year. Congratulations to Bruce Auld and

**ADJOURNMENT at 10:30 pm**

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Rachel J. Ford, CMC  
City Clerk

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**CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY/FINANCING  
AUTHORITY/HOUSING AUTHORITY AGENDA ITEM**

**SUBJECT:**

Measure L Citizens' Oversight Committee Appointment Process

**PRESENTED BY:**

Kurt Wilson, City Manager

**SUMMARY:**

Like many other cities in California, Ridgecrest is in a dire financial position because the State continues to take local City funds to fix their own budget mess and solve their own budget deficits. Sacramento money grabs and declining revenues have forced Ridgecrest to cut \$3 million in spending and reduce the workforce by 17% - directly affecting essential City services the public relies on.

The City of Ridgecrest has worked hard to balance City budgets and minimize cuts to City services despite declining revenues and State takeaways. However, Sacramento's continual money grabs are making it increasingly difficult to improve our local economy and maintain essential City services such as neighborhood police patrols, 911 emergency response times, crime investigation and prevention, and City street and pothole repair.

At the January 11, 2012 City Council meeting the Ridgecrest City Council declared a fiscal emergency in the City of Ridgecrest.

The declaration of fiscal emergency was a statement that anticipated revenues and cost savings will not be sufficient to avoid reductions to City services, impacting Ridgecrest's quality of life and long-term financial viability.

On February 15, 2012 the Ridgecrest City Council approved placing Measure L, Ridgecrest Public Safety/Essential City Services Measure on the June 5, 2012 ballot to address State takeaways and protect essential City services. Community members, police officers and members of the business community urged the Council to place Measure L on the ballot to create a locally-controlled source of revenue that cannot be taken by Sacramento.

Without Measure L, the City will not be able to prevent cuts and maintain essential City services. Additional cuts to police service will mean fewer police officers patrolling City streets and fewer neighborhood police patrols. Crime prevention and investigation programs will also have to be reduced or eliminated. More cuts will likely result in longer 911 response times and slower police assistance for life and death emergencies, affecting the City's ability to maintain 911 response times and keep our community safe. More cuts would also mean fewer funds for local streets and roads and hampers efforts to improve our local economy and create jobs.

If adopted by voters, Measure L would provide locally-controlled funds to protect and maintain essential City services. All Measure L funds would stay in Ridgecrest for local City services. No Measure L funds could be taken by the State or County.

The City of Ridgecrest is committed to the highest level of financial accountability and the proper management of taxpayer funds. Measure L includes tough fiscal accountability provisions including annual independent audits and a Citizens' Oversight Committee to insure that spending is consistent with the community's priorities for Measure L. Measure L is legally-required to expire in 5 years unless extended by voters.

Measure L requires establishment of a Citizens' Oversight Committee consisting of five members. The Citizens' Oversight Committee will oversee Measure L expenditures and report to the community.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Undetermined

Reviewed by Finance Director

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Establish a selection process for appointing Citizen's Oversight Committee members to oversee Measure L revenues if Measure L is adopted, and to insure that Measure L funds are spent in a manner consistent with community priorities.

Staff has developed a three selection process options for Council. Each option would have a 30 day application period.

The three suggested options are as follows:

1. **At-large Appointment** – all 5 members appointed at large by the Mayor with consent of Council (similar to Planning Commission process)
2. **By Category Appointments By The City Council** – members are selected to fill specific categories (business community appointment, homeowner appointment, retiree appointment, at-large,)
3. **Three Appointments Through Community Group Nominations And Two At-Large Council Appointments** – three members shall be appointed by the City Council after receiving recommendations from specific community groups, with the remaining two positions appointed at-large. The community would, in effect, appoint a majority of the Citizens' Oversight Committee. This option is strongly recommended by staff as being the most community-empowered option.

CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDATION:

Action as requested:

Staff recommends option three as follows:

- a) Chamber of Commerce Nomination
- b) Heritage (Homeowners Associations) Nomination
- c) Federal Employee Retiree System Nomination
- d) At-Large Appointment
- e) At-Large Appointment

Staff also recommends the Council direct staff to accept applications for a period of not less than one full month and forward those applications to the Council for consideration at a subsequent meeting in May.

Submitted by: Kurt Wilson  
(Rev. 02/13/12)

Action Date: March 21, 2012

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