



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
RIDGECREST CITY SUCCESSOR AGENCY,  
FINANCING AUTHORITY, AND HOUSING AUTHORITY**

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

**February 4, 2015  
5:30 p.m.**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

Council Present: Mayor Peggy Breeden; Mayor Pro Tempore James Sanders; Vice Mayor Lori Acton; Council Members Eddie B. Thomas, and Mike Mower

Council Absent: None

Staff Present: City Manager Dennis Speer; City Clerk Rachel J. Ford; City Attorney Keith Lemieux; and other staff

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Items Pulled From The Agenda:

- *Closed Session*
  - GC54956.8 Local Agency Real Property Negotiations – Negotiations For Sale, Lease, Or Purchase – Leroy Jackson Park – Agency Negotiators City Manager Dennis Speer And Recreation Supervisor Jason Patin
  
- *Regular Session*
  - Pulled Item No. 9 - Waive Reading In Full And Introduce, By Title Only, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest Amending The Ridgecrest Municipal Code Chapter 6, Article 24 With Regard To License Tax Rates And Classifications McQuiston

Added to Closed Session as a need arose item

GC54956.1 (d) (1) Conference With Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Squillicote V. City Of Ridgecrest

Items Amended

- Staff report for Item No. 4 of the Consent Calendar amended. Removed and replaced the staff report with copies provided for the public.

*Motion To Approve Agenda As Amended Made By Council Member Mower, Second By Council Member Sanders. Motion Carried By Voice Vote Of 5 Ayes (Mayor Breeden, Council Members, Sanders, Acton, Thomas And Mower); 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent*

**PUBLIC COMMENT – CLOSED SESSION**

- None presented

**CLOSED SESSION**

- GC5496.9 (d) (1) Conference With Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Squillicote v. City Of Ridgecrest
- GC54956.9 (d) (1) Conference With Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Balfour v. City Of Ridgecrest
- GC54956.9 (d) (4) Conference With Legal Counsel – Potential Litigation – Public Disclosure Of Potential Litigant Would Prejudice The City Of Ridgecrest

Item pulled from closed session prior to approval of agenda.

- GC54956.8 Local Agency Real Property Negotiations – Negotiations For Sale, Lease, Or Purchase – Leroy Jackson Park – Agency Negotiators City Manager Dennis Speer And Recreation Supervisor Jason Patin

**REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 p.m.**

- Pledge Of Allegiance
- Invocation

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT**

- Closed Session
  - Balfour v. City Of Ridgecrest – Report received no reportable action.
  - Potential Litigation – Report received no reportable action.
  - Local Agency Real Property negotiations pulled from the agenda prior to approval.
  - Squillicote v. City Of Ridgecrest – Report received no reportable action.
- Other
  - None

## PUBLIC COMMENT

### Christina Witt

- Honored to attend patriot guard procession for unveiling of statue, movable wall honoring families members who died as a result of terrorism.
- Asking City Council to have the wall at Kerr McGee center for March of 1000 flags.
- Suggested donation of cash or in-kind facility use to bring the wall to Ridgecrest.
- Explained the display schedule.
- Commented on the war on terrorism.
- Asked for Council support and process to obtain use of the Kerr McGee center.
  - Mayor Breeden – asked for details
- Cost is 1000.00 and length is 125 feet. Right now schedule is open and trying to get this reserved now for March of 1000 Flags weekend.
- Biker procession chapters here to support the proposal.
  - Lori Acton – asked if the wall has to be inside or outside
- Inside due to weather and notes attached.
  - Eddie Thomas – asked if the plan was for September 11
- Hope to have the display concurrent with flag display.
  - Mayor Breeden – asked for item to be brought to the agenda.

### Greg Benson

- Attended the function
- Retired navy and patriot guard member
- Went to Ronald Reagan library and was touched by the display
- Over 800 families in attendance
- Patriot guard was present to present arms for families who have lost loved ones due to terrorism since 9/11
- Watching these families, I recognized many who were on angel flights for sons and daughters returning from Iraq.
- Patriot guard members were given a standing ovation by the families.
- Bringing this exhibit to Ridgecrest, a military town, on the march of 1000 flags would bring two-fold to the families in the community. Never want to forget the fallen.
- This display is Iraq with pictures of service members and family mementos. 715 California veterans who have passed away since 9/11 due to terrorism.
- Plan to have a memorial for all 50 states.
- [www.rememberourfallen.org](http://www.rememberourfallen.org)
- Asked Council to try to make this happen.

### Mayor Breeden

- City will check availability and if not will find a place.

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**David Reynolds**

- Works on base and on the side does tree service.
- Problem within the community is nubbing or rounding the trees which some think is an appropriate pruning method for trees but is the worst thing that can be done to a tree.
- This practice shortens the life of a tree.
- Would hate to see this happen to public trees. Hoping to instigate a thought process that appropriate parties can help prevent this from happening.
- Have seen it a little bit but hopefully won't happen more.
- Ultimately will extend the life of the tree and save money if this practice is not done on trees.
- Started a small tree care consulting business to try and spread awareness to citizens.
  - Lori Acton – asked Mr. Reynolds to attend quality of life committee.
- Provided flyer and personal information.

**Dave Matthews**

- Asked why item no. 9 was pulled because he has comments on the item.
- Regarding the traveling wall, might want to ask the exchange club about the date for March of 1000 flags.
- Last Council discussed transparency of the City; this can include a number of things.
- Think it is time for the City to take a look at the website and telephone menu of the City.
- Related experience trying to reach the building department yesterday. Went thru telephone menu and no listing for planning or building department. Went completely thru the menu and finally pressed 0 for assistance which put me back to the top of the menu again. Went to website and looked up drop-down menu for departments and quickly became aware of inconsistency in the pages that come down. A good website should be consistent in the general layout so a person can go to a contact us section. Ours comes up with an email form. Webpage and phone menu is not customer/boss friendly. Newcomer's photos are not on the webpage and can't find their contact information.

**Gary Maxwell**

- Traffic control problem on Graaf Street, between Wayne St. and Norma St. Cars are speeding, running the stop sign at Wayne St. No speed limit sign, but there is a school zone.
- Asked if it was appropriate to put speed bumps or at least signs at that location.
- A lot of children and pets in the area
- Dirt bikes riding on the street.

Robert Eierman

- Complemented Council for the atmosphere in the chambers. Dramatically better than previous Councils and thanked Council for their efforts.
- Regarding IWW land use management plan environmental impact report, would like this to be a topic on a future agenda items for open discussion and to get Council's stand on this issue.
  - Mayor Breeden – thank you for the compliment but the attitude comes from you. You set the tone and we respond. Regarding the second question, Lorelei Oviatt will be here in April.
- Comments have to be in before March 16 so can't wait for this body to discuss at a time frame after that, so needs to be at next Council meeting.
  - Mayor Breeden – Lorelei also meeting with the groundwater management meeting.
- I care about what the citizens feel and what this Council's position is. We want to know where this Council stands.
  - Mayor Breeden – don't think a problem putting on the agenda.
  - Dennis Speer – can put on the agenda for February 18 but will not have the County's overview
  - Lori Acton – suggested a special meeting
  - Dennis Speer – could be done in an afternoon workshop
  - Mayor Breeden – don't feel afternoon appropriate, suggested evening
- This is the biggest Council in the impacted area which comes right up to the City limits. Feel we need to give input of whether we support or reject this.

Haley White

- Cameron McGrew with youth advisory committee. 3 subcommittees including youth work program helping teens 14-18 get job experience, human engagement which helps teens find fun things to do, and the BMX bike park next to the skate park.
- Members of the youth advisory represent the needs of the youth. Will be drafting a proposal to Council to have members of the youth advisory committee sit on the Council.
  - Eddie Thomas – think it is outstanding these young people want to be a part of the political process and would love to have the youth involved. Hoping we can look at the proposal and make it available for them to participate. Proud of these young ladies for coming forward and speaking up.
  - Lori Acton – suggested shadowing Council persons and other businesses providing similar services.
- Students in the program attend classes, do mock interviews, fill out applications, and work 30 hours for job experience.

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**Ronald Porter**

- Commented on the EIR report. Cart before the horse, why doing an EIR before you know where you want to go. No public meeting until after comment time closes. Comments need to be presented in writing.
- Asked Council to call the county and slow down the process.

**Mike Neel**

- Regarding video of last Council meeting, letters submitted regarding Ms. Acton and concerned about an anonymous letter submitted. Asked about Brown Act violations.
  - Mayor Breeden – letter submitted but not read aloud, just wanted it to be attached.
- Feel this is improper.
  - Mayor Breeden – will take responsibility, honored the wishes of the writer.
  - Keith Lemieux – one letter was read and identified but the other was not read, just given to Clerk.
- If people are submitting things for the record then everyone should hear it. Same as if I wanted to come here and speak to the mayor privately.
- Referenced article January 20 at the democratic club of high desert. Is your quote accurate regarding public perception and the comment of same 5 people?
  - Lori Acton – quote is fairly accurate. I know there are people who don't like me but I can't make my decision unless other people speak up.
- Regardless of whether there are 5 or 2 people, they are the public and feel this is a disturbing attitude. Personally glad Steve Morgan and Chip Holloway are off the Council because of their poor attitude. Disparaging comments about the public over time. Hope Council will listen to all public.
  - Lori Acton – you are right and I apologize.
- Commented on bulb-outs on Ridgcrest Blvd. Bicycles and wheelchairs don't use Ridgcrest Blvd. because they have to play tag with cars to get around the bulb-outs. Have watched people negotiate turns in areas where the bulb-outs are in the street. If a bicycle is coming at the same time is likely to get hit because drivers are trying to navigate the turn. Feel these bulb-outs need to come out.

**Tom Wiknich**

- Supported comments about the new tone of the meetings.
- Asked if the letter should be a part of the minutes.

**Al Huey**

- Agreed with Mr. Eierman's comment about the environmental impact report
- Have talked to county supervisor about water and will be talking to Jean Fuller about water.
- Never let a good crisis go to waste. Seems to be happening in California.

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Al Huey *(continued)*

- Discussion in county talking about meters for private wells and charging a pumping tax. All connected to the water sustainability act.
- Asked City to issue written request to county to extend the comment period.
- Hope to see this as a future agenda item. Serious violations to personal property rights and want to see how the county can demand meters and tax pumping someone's private wells.
  - Keith Lemieux – wisdom of what was just said, if City elects to take a position regarding the EIR, the time limit is very tight to get comments in. if Council is interested in considering this then might be wise to get extension on comments.
  - Lori Acton – even though time may close, they still listen. May not do anything about it and do believe we need to ask for an extension.

Jim Sanders

- Ms. Oviatt is requesting to come and brief the EIR at the water Ad Hoc committee. There is a possibility date may change but looking to hold this Ad Hoc meeting around the 19<sup>th</sup> of February at 5:00 p.m. Will provide better updates shortly.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Council Presentation Of A Proclamation Declaring The Month Of February As Safely Surrendered Baby Month Ford**

- Council presented a proclamation to representatives of the Kern County Health Department and Kern County Fire Department recognizing February as Safely Surrendered Baby Month

**2. Presentation Of The City Of Ridgecrest Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) By Kenneth Pun McQuiston**

- City auditor Kenneth Pun presented a PowerPoint presentation to Council regarding the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. *(copy available in the City Clerk's office)*

Rachelle McQuiston

- Clarified difference in expenditures versus revenue as spending of TAB funds
- OPEB is paying for medical benefits after retirement so in a good position.
- We pay what PERS says we need to contribute on retirements. Next year PERS will look at current employees to determine how much someone will need to meet obligation. There may be a difference; we may have to pay more in the future.

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Ken Pun

- CalPERS currently requires payment of 100% so no liability shows but next year the unfunded liability will show on the face of the balance sheet.

Rachelle McQuiston

- Regarding reserve, we have \$900,000 set aside but we also have the negative fund balance for wastewater. We have a reserve but it is not reported the same as the negative fund balance.

Ken Pun

- Long-term liability is paid over time for settlement of wastewater loan.

Dennis Speer

- Compared personal mortgage which you annually won't show the entire debt but what you owe for that year of your budget. GMBA requires the entire amount be shown as a negative fund balance.

Jim Sanders

- Requested clarification of TAB expenditures not being recorded.
  - Rachelle McQuiston – we got the money 5 years ago and it was recorded then, now we are recording the expenditures.

Mayor Breeden

- Asked about household comparison
  - Rachelle McQuiston – like doing home repairs and taking money saved from the savings account and putting into checking account.

Jim Sanders

- Noted several different listings of total expenditures
  - Rachelle McQuiston – all funds, governmental vs. business funds, and the general fund alone.
  - Ken Pun – a lot of different categories in government accounting. Each fund treated separately and then consolidated.

Eddie Thomas

- Asked about Measure 'L'
  - Rachelle McQuiston – what was shown is we have more taxes than previous because of Measure 'L' but have more expenditure which is actually TAB expenditure. This appears that while tax revenue has increased the expenditures went up greater because of TAB.
  - Ken Pun – Measure 'L' has been very helpful to regain some of the deficit.
  - Rachelle McQuiston – have made tremendous strides in getting rid of the negative fund balance but still looks bad even though we are solvent.

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Mayor Breeden

- Asked for summary.

Rachelle McQuiston

- This past year would have had a small increase but at year end had a \$900,000 payment to county. We are paying the bills and slowly getting to a better financial place. Not ready to retire but are working and paying our bills.
- We knew this was going to happen so made appropriate adjustments.

Peggy Breeden

- Once we pay off the county we would have a surplus of \$300,000.
  - Rachelle McQuiston – correct and are not going to spend it.

Lori Acton

- What tax revenues are being referred to.

Ken Pun

- Property tax, sales tax, TOT, franchise tax, special assessment, in-lieu tax.

Rachelle McQuiston

- We get 1.5 percent of sales tax
- Online we only get 1.3 of the 1%
- Measure 'L' we get 100% of that tax

Lori Acton

- Compared to other cities how are we doing?
  - Ken Pun – you are doing ok.

Public Comment

Tom Wiknich

- Thanked Rachelle McQuiston for clarification regarding not having a reserve.
- Ken Pun says we have no reserve and Rachelle McQuiston says we have one.
  - Rachelle McQuiston – I show a \$900,000 reserve but our fund balance is a higher negative amount. If you add these together you will equal what Ken Pun is showing as his reserve.
  - Ken Pun – another way to show the liability. You do have a rainy day fund reserve.
  - Rachelle McQuiston – Showing the funds this way is not allowed in the CAFR.
- Wastewater loan was shown with last year's numbers, where is the loan shown in the 2014 numbers.
  - Rachelle McQuiston – only shown once as the effect on the fund balance. Carried over annually in the liability line.

Dave Matthews

- Accountants are one step above lawyers.
- Keep talking about GASB, is that law, a rule, or do we have to live by it.
  - Ken Pun – Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) they are the ones who structure accounting for government.

*Minute Motion To Receive And File The Annual CAFR Made By Council Member Acton, Second By Council Member Thomas. Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 5 Ayes (Mayor Breeden, Council Members Sanders, Acton, Thomas, And Mower); 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent*

### CONSENT CALENDAR

3. Adopt A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Authorizing The Application For And Acceptance Of The East Kern Air Pollution Control District – Department Of Motor Vehicle Emission Reduction Program Grant Strand
4. Adopt A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency Approving The Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS) 2015-16A Parsons
5. Adopt A Resolution Of The City Of Ridgecrest City Council And The Ridgecrest Successor Redevelopment Agency Authorizing The Modification Of A Disposition And Development Agreement (DDA) Dated 11/02/06 With CNM Holdings 1 Ltd. / K Partners And Authorizing The City Manager Or His Designee To Negotiate And Execute Any Needed Documents Parsons
6. Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Sign The Notice Of Completion, Authorizing The City Clerk To File The Notice Of Completion And Authorizing The Release Of Retention On The South China Lake Boulevard Project: Upjohn Avenue To Bowman Avenue Speer
7. Adopt A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Accepting A Right Of Way Agreement And Offer Of Dedication From Chaudhry A. Razaq And Shamin A. Razaq For APN 477-010-07, In The City Of Ridgecrest, County Of Kern, State Of California And Authorizing The Mayor To Sign The Escrow Instructions And Certificate Of Acceptance, And Authorizing The Mayor And City Manager To Sign The Right Of Way Agreement And Approve An Allocation Of \$32,187.00 For Fee Interest In The Dedicated Portion Of The Parcel Speer
8. Approve Draft Minutes Of The Ridgecrest City Council/Successor Redevelopment Agency/Financing Authority/Housing Authority Meeting Dated January 21, 2015 Ford

Items Pulled From Consent Calendar

- Item Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 7

*Motion To Approve Item Nos. 6 And 8 Made By Council Member Mower, Second By Council Member Thomas. Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 5 Ayes (Mayor Breedon, Council Members Sanders, Acton, Thomas, And Mower); 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent*

Item No. 3 Discussion

Dave Matthews

- Seems like price of vehicle could be lower and this is not a patrol car
  - Ron Strand – correct
- Vehicle being replace is a 1986 ford pickup
  - Ron Strand – originally a parks and recreation vehicle then transferred to IT and later transfers to police for grant purposes
- Vehicle has to be demolished
  - Ron Strand – correct
- This is another condition where we are being bribed. Don't see why we need to destroy the vehicle, there could be scrap value. Someone might make use of the vehicle and this isn't the only incident. We are getting this everywhere.
- Don't be bribed into doing something you don't want to do.

Mayor Breedon

- I sit on the board and will recuse myself from the vote but will say the job is to take vehicles off the road that emit high pollution.

*Motion To Approve Item No. 3 Made By Council Member Mower, Second By Council Member Thomas. Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 4 Ayes (Council Members Sanders, Acton, Thomas, And Mower); 0 Noes; 1 Abstain (Mayor Breedon); And 0 Absent*

Item No. 4 Discussion

Dave Matthews

- Asked for clarification
  - Gary Parsons - Responded with explanation
- Asked about items not approved
  - Gary Parsons – Correct, some loans structured by the RDA were deemed non-valid by the department of finance and City will continue to submit. Some may result in litigation. DOF has on one occasion has removed an item but we continue to list as an obligation.

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*Motion To Approve Item No. 4 Made By Council Member Mower, Second By Council Member Acton. Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 5 Ayes (Mayor Breeden; Council Members Sanders, Acton, Thomas, And Mower); 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent*

Item No. 5 Discussion

Dave Matthews

- This refers to property in Business Park. Mentions two lots and asked for clarification of where the lots are.
  - Gary parsons - Outlined the original development agreement with K-Partners and location of the lots.

Dave Matthews

- Commented that City Council has reviewed the amendment and asked when.
  - Gary Parsons – closed session last meeting.

*Motion To Approve Item No. 5 Made By Council Member Mower, Second By Council Member Thomas. Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 5 Ayes (Mayor Breeden; Council Members Sanders, Acton, Thomas, And Mower); 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent*

Item No. 7 Discussion

Jim Sanders

- Asked for location and if this was fair market value
  - Dennis Speer – explained relocation of poles for W Ridgecrest Blvd. The south west corner of Downs and Ridgecrest Blvd. at the substation. Pole was not on the easement and discussions with two surveys showed the pole not on the easement. Additional cost of paying for guide pole to support the transmission pole. In order to move the transmission pole, SCE is adamant that we have to provide location and guild pole. This is the guide pole to support the transmission pole on the southwest corner. Poles will be moved together.

Mike Mower

- Suggested a map in future agenda items to give Council a better idea of where these changes are located.

Jim Sanders

- Asked how the fair market value was attained
  - Dennis Speer – used an appraiser

*Motion To Approve Item No. 7 Made By Council Member Thomas, Second By Council Member Sanders Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 5 Ayes (Mayor Breeden; Council Members Sanders, Acton, Thomas, And Mower); 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent*

## ORDINANCES

9. Waive Reading In Full And Introduce, By Title Only, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest Amending The Ridgecrest Municipal Code Chapter 6, Article 24 With Regard To License Tax Rates And Classifications McQuiston

- Item No. 9 pulled from agenda prior to approval.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### City Organization and Services Committee

Members: Lori Acton; Mike Mower  
Meeting: 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday each month at 5:00 p.m.  
Location: Council Conference Room B

- No Report

### Infrastructure Committee

Members: Jim Sanders; Mike Mower  
Meeting: 2nd Thursday each month at 5:00 p.m.  
Location: Council Conference Room B

- Next meeting 1 week from tomorrow at 5:00 p.m.

### ❖ Ad Hoc Water Conservation Committee

Members: Jim Sanders; Peggy Breeden  
Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month at 5:00 p.m.  
Location: Conference Room B

- Jim Sanders – have not met but asked staff to look into availability of room for February 19 at 5:00 p.m. for Lorelei Oviatt regarding the IWV land management report.

### Parks, Recreation, and Quality of Life Committee

Members: Eddie Thomas; Lori Acton  
Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday each month at 5:00 p.m.  
Location: Kerr-McGee Center Meeting Rooms

- Mike Mower – requested Downs Street be added to agenda

❖ **Ad Hoc Youth Advisory Council**

Members: Eddie Thomas  
Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, 12:00 p.m.  
Location: Kerr-McGee Center Meeting Rooms

- Eddie Thomas – have not met but youth have requested to participate as part of the Council. Meeting Friday and will determine a new regular meeting schedule.

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

Members: Eddie Thomas; Lori Acton  
Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month at 4:00 p.m.  
Location: Kerr McGee Center Meeting Rooms

- Announced next meeting.

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

Members: Lori Acton and Eddie Thomas  
Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Of The Month, 8:00 A.M.  
Next Meeting: To Be Announced

- Read Directors report from the RACVB meeting today *(Copy Available In The City Clerk's Office)*

**OTHER COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS**

Peggy Breeden

- Kern COG regional award March 5 from 6-9 p.m. – two entities receiving awards and encourage attendance to support the City of Ridgecrest Petroglyph Festival and the Ridge Project
- League of California Cities meeting in Ridgecrest on Friday. Will tour the Petroglyph Park and Maturango Museum. Committee reports will be issued.
- February 17 will be going to Washington to meet Assistant Secretary of Navy with Supervisor Gleason. he has asked for projects and will be back here in April to report on progress for funding
- Have been asked to formally request County extend the comment time for the Land Use Management Plan.
- Thanked Chief and Police Department for rapid response to issues of people driving in front of the schools while in session. Both officers present, the children crossing the street, and the drivers. Mike Myers has talked to the media to get the word out that they will be strictly enforcing the speed limits. School has sent out notices to students on how to cross the street safely.

## CITY MANAGER REPORT

Dennis Speer

- Attended League of California Cities City Manager session. A lot of good sessions and two in particular. One was session on economy and would like to share the PowerPoint. Second was idea of today's workplace has 4 generations and each has different values. Commented on speaker putting things into perspective, what happens with each generation.

## MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Jim Sanders

- Feel the 'Remember the Fallen' wall is a fabulous idea and want to commend Christina Witt and others who came forward with the idea.
- Will be reading the EIR released by the County.

Lori Acton

- Excited to see the youth come forward and want to be engaged. I want to find a way to help them get the experience to sit up here and help make decisions.
- Regarding the 'Remember the Fallen' wall, I had a relative in the towers on 9/11. We have the veteran's stand-down, police officers and fire fighters are recognized. Think we should dedicate the month of September as our hero's month
- Suggested a town hall meeting to discuss the Land Use EIR.
  - Dennis Speer – town hall limits participation to two Council Members whereas a Council meeting does not.
- Excited about the public recognizing the different vibe at the Council meetings. Think we have a great leadership to partner with the community. We all want what's best for the community.

Eddie Thomas

- Proud this Council loves the community and pray we can continue the bond with the community
- Commend Parks and Recreation Supervisor for so quickly getting on the availability for the 'Remember the Fallen' wall.

Mike Mower

- Agree with a special Council meeting for the EIR
- Follow up on Jerry Taylor's comments about striping for bikes.
- Markings on only part of the streets. Staff was working on Downs Street but then didn't finish.
  - Dennis Speer – need certain temperatures for striping, will check on it.
- Think it is important to follow up on community comments.

Peggy Breeden

- Presented comments earlier in the meeting.
- Thanked everyone for attending.

**ADJOURNMENT at 8:36 p.m.**

  
Rachel J. Ford CMC  
City Clerk