

**CITY OF WILDOMAR
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 27, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER – SPECIAL SESSION - 6:30 P.M.

The special meeting of January 27, 2016, of the Wildomar City Council was called to order by Mayor Moore at 6:30 p.m. at the Wildomar Council Chambers, 23873 Clinton Keith Road, Suite 106, Wildomar, California.

City Council Roll Call showed the following Members in attendance: Council Members Benoit, Cashman, Swanson, Mayor Pro Tem Walker, and Mayor Moore. Members absent: None.

Staff in attendance: City Manager Nordquist, City Attorney Jex, Police Chief Hollingsworth, Administrative Analyst Morales, and City Clerk Lee.

The flag salute was led by Councilman Benoit.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no speakers.

1.0 SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

1.1 Plan for Establishment of Electoral Districts

City Clerk Lee read the title.

City Manager Nordquist presented the staff report. He then introduced the two companies who specialize in this.

Marguerite Leoni, attorney, presented the issues surrounding this issue and what steps the City needs to take to avoid legal problems.

Doug Johnson, National Demographics Corporation, presented the demographics and how boundary lines are drawn.

SPEAKERS:

George Taylor, resident, spoke against Districts and submitted a letter.

Gina Castanon, resident, with donated minutes from Ruben Castanon, spoke against going to Districts.

Ken Mayes, resident, spoke in favor of Districts.

Maria Walker, resident, spoke against Districts.

George Cambero, resident, spoke against Districts.

Joseph Morabito, resident, spoke against the Districts.

Discussion ensued regarding questions that were raised during the comments: Size of the City; One District, Five Members; Contacting State and Federal Legislators; what happens if no one runs from the District; the law focuses on the voter and not the one holding office; racial profiling; and the enormous legal costs to fight this.

Discussion further ensued regarding how the Districts should be drawn and all the upcoming Public Hearings needed to be held.

A MOTION was made by Councilman Benoit, seconded by Councilwoman Swanson, to adopt a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016 - 08
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILDOMAR,
CALIFORNIA, INITIATING PROCEDURES FOR ESTABLISHING AND
IMPLEMENTING BY-DISTRICT ELECTIONS FOR THE CITY OF
WILDOMAR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

MOTION carried 5-0, as follows:

YEA: Benoit, Cashman, Swanson, Mayor Pro Tem Walker, Mayor Moore
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

A MOTION was made by Councilman Benoit, seconded by Councilwoman Swanson, to adopt a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 09
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILDOMAR,
CALIFORNIA, SPECIFYING THE CRITERIA TO GUIDE THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF ELECTORAL DISTRICTS

MOTION carried 5-0, as follows:

YEA: Benoit, Cashman, Swanson, Mayor Pro Tem Walker, Mayor Moore
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Mayor Moore adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved by:



Debbie A. Lee, CMC
City Clerk



Bridgette Moore
Mayor