

**CITY OF WILDOMAR
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 9, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR SESSION – 6:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of February 9, 2011, of the Wildomar City Council was called to order by Mayor Swanson at 6:30 p.m.

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

Staff in attendance: City Manager Oviedo, Assistant City Manager Nordquist, Assistant City Attorney Jex, Public Works Director D’Zmura, Planning Director Bassi, Police Chief Fontneau, Community Services Director Willette, and City Clerk Lee.

The Flag Salute was led by Ashley Fox.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Swanson presented a certificate to Ashley Fox, MDA 2011 Firefighter Ambassador

Mayor Swanson presented certificates to Boy Scouts District Winners: Stewart Moore – Scoutmaster of the Year, Makenna Olson – Venture Scout of the Year, Braeden Dunn – Cub Scout of the Year, and Donald Dean Latham II – Cubmaster of the Year.

Barbara Wilson, Sycamore Academy, gave an update on the activities at the school.

The Fire Department monthly update was distributed.

Community Services Director Willette presented the monthly update.

Craig McKenzie presented the Chamber of Commerce monthly update.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Vonnie Holmgren, resident, stated she would like better communication from the City. She suggested a newsletter, dedicated space in the Californian, information on the website.

1.3 Minutes – January 12, 2011 Regular Meeting

Approved the Minutes as submitted.

1.4 Warrant Registers and Payroll Register

Approved the following:

1. Warrant Register dated January 27, 2011, in the amount of \$126,595.74;
2. Warrant Register dated February 3, 2011, in the amount of \$65,413.57; and
3. Payroll Register dated February 4, 2011, in the amount of \$36,655.90.

1.5 Award of an Emergency Management Performance Grant

Approved the acceptance of an additional \$2,441 in funding for the City's Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) from the Riverside County Fire/OES.

1.6 City Opposition to Governor Brown's Proposal to Abolish Redevelopment Agencies in California

Adopted a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2011 - 09
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILDOMAR,
CALIFORNIA, IN OPPOSITION TO THE ADMINISTRATION'S
PROPOSAL TO ABOLISH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES IN
CALIFORNIA

2.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS

There are no items to be heard.

3.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

3.1 Save Our Parks Update

City Clerk Lee read the title.

Assistant City Manager Nordquist presented the staff report stating on February 24 there will be a public hearing regarding the Blue Ribbon Committee's recommendation on the possible ballot measure.

3.2 National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Urban Runoff Discharge Permit Implementation Agreement for the Santa Ana Region

City Clerk Lee read the title.

Public Works Director D'Zmura presented the staff report.

A MOTION was made by Mayor Pro Tem Benoit, seconded by Council Member Moore, to approve and authorize the City Manager to execute the NPDES Urban Runoff Discharge Permit Implementation Agreement for the Santa Ana Region.

MOTION carried, 5-0.

3.3 Security for Subdivision Improvement Agreements Ordinance (Continued from 01-12-11)

City Clerk Lee read the title.

Public Works Director D'Zmura presented the staff report.

Council Member Cashman inquired in this scenario would the City have a lien on the property.

Public Works Director D'Zmura answered this is a bridging mechanism between approval of the map to actual building. Once building starts, the Developer has to provide bonds as security and the liens are removed. This is a less costly way to keep the project alive and viable. However, the Council would have to approve this before it can occur, so it does give the Council flexibility.

SPEAKERS:

Justin Bert, Capstone Advisors, stated he is in support of the Ordinance. In today's market it is difficult to get bonds. In some cases the cash deposit is equal to the amount the improvements would cost. This Ordinance would allow the Developer to get the project shovel ready. Once the Developer is ready to build, bonds would have to be in place.

Phillip Jones, Commercial Bank of California, stated he is in favor of the Ordinance and agrees with the previous speaker.

Council Member Cashman stated his concern is that some of these projects were approved years ago, such as the Capstone project. It was approved in 2000, so there is no current input into this project. How long can this go before the public can speak on it. He has reservations about this Ordinance because of this.

Council Member Walker stated he see it as a bridging mechanism and is developer friendly. It doesn't cost the City anything, and is not a risk for the City.

Mayor Swanson inquired if this gives the developer more time.

Planning Director Bassi answered no. In regards to the two developers here and their projects, the only thing that has been approved is the maps and not the development plans. That still has to come to the Planning Department before they can construct.

Council Member Cashman asked Planning Director Bassi to elaborate on what has been approved.

Planning Director Bassi answered what they have approved is the lot pattern, the street layout, the lot sizes in terms of width and depth, and all the public improvements. Before they can build a house, they will have to get approval from the Planning Department for the architectural design.

Council Member Cashman inquired when do the people of Wildomar get to speak to this project. This was done over 10 years ago and may not be relevant now. Also, does the Council have a say over which development will get this lien process or not.

Public Works Direct D'Zmura answered the developer would have to request this from the City. If the Ordinance is not adopted then this would not be an option.

Assistant City Attorney Jex stated there are typos which need to be fixed in the Ordinance:

Page 2, C, last line, it should read "16.60.010" and not "7.24";
Page 3, E.5, first line, it should read "16.60.010" and not "7.24"; and
Page 3, G, third line, it should read "16.60.010" and not "7.24".

A MOTION was made by Council Member Moore, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Benoit, to introduce and approve first reading of an Ordinance

entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 60
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
WILDOMAR, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 16.60.010,
16.60.020, AND ADDING A NEW 16.60.030 OF THE WILDOMAR
MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO SECURITY FOR SUBDIVISION
IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENTS

MOTION carried, 5-0.

3.4 Bundy Canyon Road Update

City Clerk Lee read the title.

Public Works Director D'Zmura presented the staff report stating that the County is currently completing an environmental document for a project to widen the road to four lanes from Cherry Street to I-215 in Menifee. Since this will not occur for several years, it is appropriate to consider allocating additional funding for interim improvements. Staff has identified in the staff report, additional asphalt patching, shoulder improvements and restriping.

SPEAKERS:

Jan MacKenzie, resident, stated the road is dangerous and it appears the money seems to disappear. She encouraged the Council to put funds towards the road for the benefit of the Farm community.

Mary Austin, resident, stated the road is dangerous. When the Super Wal-Mart opens in Menifee, it will increase the traffic and the road will become more dangerous. She urged the Council to do something.

Discussion ensued regarding budgeting for Bundy Canyon Road.

It was the consensus of the City Council to utilize the anticipated reimbursement from FEMA to fund the short term improvements to Bundy Canyon Road.

3.5 Clinton Keith Bridge Project Update

City Clerk Lee read the item.

Public Works Director D'Zmura presented the staff report. He reviewed the various improvements that are scheduled for the overpass project.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Oviedo stated on April 28, at 11:00 a.m. at the Murrieta Library, the Southwest Coalition will meet regarding healthcare needs in the area. They are in the process of inviting CEOs of the various hospitals in the area. The question they will be asking them is what they are looking for in potential sites for hospitals. In July we will be hosting the Southwest Coalition in Wildomar and we will be talking about transportation infrastructure. Additionally, Staff is working to schedule a Planning Commission and City Council joint workshop regarding what is driving development from the developer's view point. Lastly, he will be out on vacation from February 21 – 28, and Assistant City Manager Nordquist will be in charge during that time.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

There was nothing to report.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Cashman stated that he and Mayor Swanson met as the Intergovernmental Subcommittee. One of the issues that came up was the cemetery. Another was the Redevelopment Agency.

Council Member Walker stated he and Mayor Swanson met as the Economic Development Subcommittee. There was good discussion on how to get businesses to locate here.

Council Member Moore stated she attended the RTA meeting and there will be some route changes. No routes in Wildomar will be changing, but one that originates in Wildomar will change. She attended the Autism Task Force meeting. It was very informative and there were lots of people in attendance. She will be walking with Ashley Fox in the MDA walk. The annual egg hunt will be on April 16 at Marna O'Brien Park. Lastly, the area is in need of more hospitals as she experienced firsthand with a 7 ½ hour wait in the emergency room at Inland Valley. She has spoken with Ken Rivers regarding this and it appears they will be opening up more space in the emergency room and ICU.

Mayor Pro Tem Benoit stated he has been busy with RCTC, WRCOG and other regional boards. He went to the ribbon cutting on the I-215 in Murrieta for the widening project.

Mayor Swanson stated she, Mayor Pro Tem Benoit, and Council Member Moore went to a meeting with Congressman Issa, and then she and City Manager Oviedo met personally with the Congressman. Basically the message was the Federal Government is not going to bail out California.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

*Housing Design Standards

*Water District Representative to talk about the sewer issues

*Elks Lodge monument sign/LED signs

*Business registration/No notice when it expires/Amount charged

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Swanson adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Debbie A. Lee, CMC
City Clerk