



MINUTES

Joint City Council/*Redevelopment Successor Agency/**Public Finance Authority Meeting

Council Chambers, Chowchilla City Hall - 130 S. Second Street,
Chowchilla, CA 93610

Tuesday, June 23, 2020

Closed Session: 6:00 p.m. - Open Session: 7:00 p.m.

SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION DUE TO COVID-19

Given the current Shelter-in-Place Order covering the State of California and the Social Distance Guidelines issued by Federal, State, and Local Authorities, the City implemented the following changes to participate in Council meetings until notified otherwise.

The Council chambers were open to the public and implemented social distancing policies that limited the number of people who were in the Council chambers. You may, and were strongly encouraged, to access the meeting via WebEx.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Mayor/Chair: Waseem Ahmed

Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair: Diana Palmer

Council/Board Members: Ray Barragan, John Chavez, Dennis Haworth (absent)

City staff and contract employees present: City Administrator Rod Pruet (remotely), City Attorney Mary Lerner, Police Chief David A. Riviere (remotely), Jr., Fire Battalion Chief Fred Gaumnitz (remotely), Community & Economic Development Director Mark Hamilton (remotely), Public Works Director Jason Rogers, City Clerk Joann McClendon

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions and/or Deletions:

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented passed by voice vote with Council Member Haworth absent.

OPEN SESSION – 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Ahmed

INVOCATION: Mr. Don Brumfield

PRESENTATIONS/WORKSHOP - Section 1

1.1 Certificate of Recognition: Halle Freitas

1.2 Police Department Perimeter Safety Presentation, Sergeant Daniel Denny

PUBLIC ADDRESS

City Clerk McClendon read Jan McDonnell's comments into record concerning shipping containers:

- 1) Because of so much misunderstanding and difficulty in attending meetings during the COVID-19 virus, could you please have the City send out notices, written in clear non-legalize language, to every resident and business explaining the purpose for the new ordinances and how to comply with them?
- 2) Before sending out notices on containers, could you please contact the fire department and clarify how much room they actually need to fight a fire from a back or back and side property lines?
- 3) What is the problem with residents or businesses in the future adding containers they feel are necessary to protect their belongings as long as they comply with the application and ordinance requirements?

COUNCIL AND STAFF VERBAL REPORTS – Section 2

2.1 COUNCIL VERBAL REPORTS

Legislative, Collaborative Agency, Ad Hoc

Mayor Ahmed attended a High Speed Rail ad hoc meeting with Council Member Chavez, the City Administrator and other staff regarding the Fairmead Consolidation project; he also remotely attended online LAFCO and MCTC meetings as a board member.

2.2 STAFF VERBAL REPORTS

City Clerk McClendon reported that the Transit Department was awarded \$71,384 in CARES Act funding.

City Administrator Pruettt attended a shipping container ad hoc meeting noting the ordinance update will be coming back for the council to consider in the near future. He attended another meeting with a potential developer on potential affordable housing; Planning Commission meeting; COVID-19 daily meetings. He thanked staff for their efforts in keeping the City going during City Hall's closure.

Community & Economic Development Director Hamilton gave updates on several ongoing and potential projects.

Public Works Director Rogers MCTC 99/233 Stakeholder meeting; new state water discharge requirements; mid valley disposal re: curbside cleanup event which will be rescheduled sometime in September, after the annual Car Show.

Police Chief Riviere thanked the community for showing their support to the Police Department by ways of kind words and good food.

Fire Battalion Chief Gaumnitz all of the fire hydrants within the city have been tested.

CONSENT CALENDAR – Section 3

3.1 Approval of the June 9, 2020 Special City Council Meeting Minutes (McClendon)

3.2 Review of May 2020 Financial Report (Pruett)

3.3 Consideration and Adoption of a City Council Resolution (45-20) Establishing the Time, Days and Location of all Regular City Council Meetings (McClendon)

- 3.4 Consideration to Approve an Amendment Increasing the State Transit Assistance (STA) Funds for 2019/2020 Fiscal Year Transit Activities (Dueker)**
- 3.5 Consideration of Amending the Allocation of Local Transportation Funds (LTF) for the 2018/2019 Fiscal Year and Authorization Staff to File Necessary Documentation Required to Effect These Changes (Dueker)**
- 3.6 Consideration and Adoption of a City Council Resolution (46-20) Approving Applications for Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funds for Fiscal Year 2020/2021 and Authorizing the City Administrator or Designee to Execute and Submit Applications to the Madera County Transportation Commission (Dueker)**

Motion by Council Member Chavez, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Palmer to Approve the Consent Calendar as Presented. Motion passed by roll call vote with Council Member Haworth absent.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Section 4

- 4.1 Public Hearing and Consideration by the City Council of Resolutions Relating to Increases in Water, Sewer and Solid Waste Rates as Follows:**

Consideration of a Resolution (47-20) of the City Council of the City of Chowchilla, California, Establishing Monthly Rates to Be Charged for Water Furnished by the City and Repealing Resolution 44-12 and All Other Resolutions in Conflict Herewith

Consideration of a Resolution (48-20) of the City Council of the City of Chowchilla, California, Establishing Monthly Rates to Be Charged for Sewer Service Furnished by the City and Repealing Resolution 44-12 and All Other Resolutions in Conflict Herewith

Consideration of a Resolution (49-20) of the City Council of the City of Chowchilla, California, Establishing Monthly Rates to Be Charged for Solid Waste Service Furnished by the City (Rogers)

Mayor Ahmed opened the public hearing at 8:12 p.m.

Don Brumfield spoke against all of the rate increases.

Mayor Ahmed closed the public protest testimony portion at 8:25 p.m. City Clerk McClendon counted 1 protest ballot.

Mayor Ahmed closed the public hearing at 8:26 p.m.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Palmer, Seconded by Council Member Chavez to Approve Council Resolution # 47-20, Establishing Monthly Rates to be Charged for Water Furnished by the City and Repealing Resolution 44-12 and all Other Resolutions in Conflict Herewith. Motion passed with Council Member Haworth absent.

Motion by Council Member Barragan, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Palmer to Approve Council Resolution # 48-20, Establishing Monthly Rates to be Charged for Sewer Service Furnished by the City and Repealing Resolution 44-12 and all Other Resolutions in Conflict Herewith. Motion passed with Council Member Haworth absent.

Motion by Council Member Barragan, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Palmer to Approve Council Resolution # 49-20, Establishing Monthly Rates to be Charged for Solid Waste Service Furnished by the City. Motion passed by roll call vote with Council Member Haworth absent.

DEFERRED BUSINESS – Section 5

NEW BUSINESS – Section 6

6.1 Consideration to Approve a Letter of Support for City of Chowchilla's Application for Proposition 1 Storm Water Grant Program Implementation Project (Jones)

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Palmer, Seconded by Council Member Barragan to Approve a Letter or Support for City of Chowchilla's Application for Proposition 1 Storm Water Grant Program Implementation Project. Motion passed with Council Member Haworth absent.

6.2 Consideration of Resolutions Adopting the 2020-21 Fiscal Year Annual Budgets for:

a) City Operating and Capital Budget;

Motion by Council Member Barragan, Seconded by Council Member Chavez to Approve Council Resolution #50-20, Adopting the Budget of the City of Chowchilla fo the Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 Through June 30, 2021. Motion passed with Council Member Haworth absent.

b) * Successor Agency Budget;

Motion by Board Member Barragan Seconded by Vice Chair Palmer to Approve Chowchilla Redevelopment Successor Agency Resolution #02-20, Adopting the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2020/2021. Motion passed with Board Member Haworth absent.

c) ** Public Finance Authority; and

Motion by Board Member Chavez, Seconded by Vice Chair Palmer Approving the Chowchilla Public Financing Authority Budget for the Fiscal Year 2020/2021. Motion passed with Board Member Haworth absent.

d) Gann Appropriation Limit

Motion by Council Member Barragan, Seconded by Council Member Chavez to Approving Council Resolution #53-20, Establishing the Appropriation Limit for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Motion passed with Council Member Haworth absent.

e) Amending the Salary Scale (Pruett)

Motion by Council Member Barragan, Seconded by Council Member Chavez to Approve Council Resolution #54-20, Amending the Approved City of Chowchilla Salary Scale for the Following Period: July 1, 2020 Through June 30, 2021. Motion passed with Council Member Haworth absent.

6.3 General (Verbal) Update Regarding the State of Emergency and COVID-19; Direction and Action (Pruett)

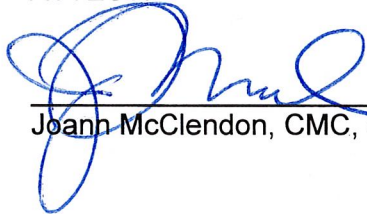
ANNOUNCEMENTS – Section 7

JUL 3 FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY OBSERVANCE – CITY OFFICES CLOSED
JUL 14 CITY COUNCIL MEETING, CITY HALL VIA WEBEX, 7PM

ADJOURNMENT

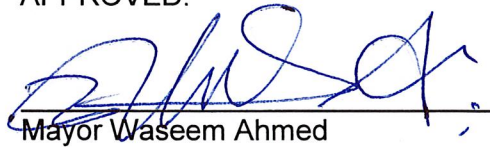
Motion by Council Member Chavez, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Palmer to Adjourn the Joint City Council, Redevelopment Successor Agency and Public Financing Authority Meeting at 9:41 p.m. Motion passed with Council Member Haworth absent.

ATTEST:



Joann McClendon, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED:



Mayor Waseem Ahmed