

**CITY OF ESCONDIDO**  
**October 26, 2016**  
**3:30 P.M. Meeting Minutes**

**Escondido City Council**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Escondido City Council was called to order at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 26, 2016 in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Abed presiding.

**ATTENDANCE:**

The following members were present: Councilmember Olga Diaz, Councilmember Ed Gallo, Councilmember John Masson, Deputy Mayor Michael Morasco, and Mayor Sam Abed. Quorum present.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**CLOSED SESSION: (COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/RRB)**

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to recess to Closed Session. Motion carried unanimously.

- I. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Government Code §54957.6)**
- a. **Agency Negotiator:** Sheryl Bennett and Graham Mitchell
  - Employee Organization:** Escondido Police Officers' Association
  - b. **Agency Negotiator:** Sheryl Bennett and Graham Mitchell
  - Employee Organization:** Escondido Firefighters' Association
  - c. **Agency Negotiator:** Sheryl Bennett and Graham Mitchell
  - Employee Organization:** Non-Sworn Police Bargaining Unit
- II. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Government Code §54956.8)**
- a. **Property:** 250 W. Woodward, 252 W. Woodward, 500 Escondido Blvd., 510 Escondido Blvd. (Felix Family Trust) and 548-550 Escondido Blvd. (Escondido Oil, LLC)
  - City Negotiator:** Graham Mitchell, City Manager
  - Negotiating Parties:** City and Felix Family Trust; and Escondido Oil, LLC
  - Under Negotiation:** Price and Terms of Payment

**III. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code §54957)**

- City Manager
- City Attorney

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 4:34 p.m.

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

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MINUTES CLERK

**CITY OF ESCONDIDO**  
**October 26, 2016**  
**4:30 P.M. Meeting Minutes**

**Escondido City Council**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Escondido City Council was called to order at 4:35 p.m. on Wednesday, October 26, 2016 in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Abed presiding.

**MOMENT OF REFLECTION:**

Alan Bliss led the Moment of Reflection.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor Abed led the Flag Salute.

**ATTENDANCE:**

The following members were present: Councilmember Olga Diaz, Councilmember Ed Gallo, Councilmember John Masson, Deputy Mayor Michael Morasco, and Mayor Sam Abed.

Also present were: Graham Mitchell, City Manager; Jeffrey Epp, City Attorney; Bill Martin, Director of Community Development; Ed Domingue, Director of Public Works; Diane Halverson, City Clerk; and Michael Thorne, Minutes Clerk.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Tom Cowan, Escondido**, shared information about homeless veterans and requested donations.

**Melinda Santa Cruz, Escondido**, expressed concern regarding an incident at the Friends of the Library bookstore.

**Karen Tage, President of City of Escondido City Employees Association**, shared information on negotiations.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilmember Masson removed item 6 from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

**MOTION:** Moved by Deputy Mayor Morasco and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to approve the following Consent Calendar items with the exception of Item 6. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1. AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION, MAILING AND POSTING (COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/RRB)**
- 2. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER (Council/Successor Agency )**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None Scheduled**

**4. MILLS ACT CONTRACT AND CEQA EXEMPTION FOR THE PROPERTY AT 178 HOWELL HEIGHTS DRIVE (HP 16-0009) -**

Request the City Council approve entering into a Mills Act contract with the property owners for their property at 178 Howell Heights Drive and approve the CEQA Exemption. (File No. 0880-10)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Community Development Department: Bill Martin)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-161

**5. CONSULTING AGREEMENT FOR EMPLOYEE BENEFITS INSURANCE BROKER SERVICES -**

Request the City Council approve authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Consulting Agreement with Willis Insurance Services of California (Willis Towers Watson) for Benefits Insurance Broker Services. (File No. 0600-10 [A-2772])

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Human Resources Department: Sheryl Bennett)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-162

**6. NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR SUB 13-0009 LOCATED AT 2412-2418 SOUTH ESCONDIDO BOULEVARD -**

Request the City Council approve and accept the public improvements and authorize staff to file a Notice of Completion for SUB 13-0009 located at 2412-2418 South Escondido Boulevard. (File No. 0800-10)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Public Works Department/Engineering: Ed Domingue)**

Councilmember Masson abstained from the vote.

**Motion:** Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Deputy Mayor Morasco to approve and accept the public improvements and authorize staff to file a Notice of Completion for SUB 13-0009 located at 2412-2418 South Escondido Boulevard. Ayes: Diaz, Gallo, Morasco and Abed. Noes: None. Abstained: Masson. Motion carried.

<b>CONSENT – RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES (COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/RRB)</b>
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The following Resolutions and Ordinances were heard and acted upon by the City Council/Successor Agency/RRB at a previous City Council/Successor Agency/Mobilehome Rent Review meeting. (The title of Ordinances listed on the Consent Calendar are deemed to have been read and further reading waived.)

**7. ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS TO RESTRUCTURE AND STREAMLINE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCESSES (AZ 16-0006) -**

Approved on October 19, 2016 with a vote of 5/0 (File No. 0810-20)

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-15 (Second Reading and Adoption)

**8. FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR HENRY RANCH SUBDIVISION, TRACT 920 (PHG 14-0026) -**

Approved on October 19, 2016 with a vote of 5/0 (File No. 0800-10)

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-18 (Second Reading and Adoption)

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

**9. LOCAL REGISTER DESIGNATION, MILLS ACT CONTRACT, AND CEQA EXEMPTION FOR 535 EAST 9TH AVENUE (HP 16-0005) -**

Request the City Council approve the listing of the residence at 535 East 9th Avenue on the City's Local Register of Historic Places; enter into a Mills Act contract with the property owner; and approve the CEQA Exemption. (File No. 0880-10)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Community Development Department: Bill Martin)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-158

Paul Bingham, Planning, presented the staff report, utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

Mayor Abed opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak on this issue in any way. No one asked to be heard. Therefore, he closed the public hearing.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Masson to approve the listing of the residence at 535 East 9th Avenue on the City's Local Register of Historic Places; enter into a Mills Act contract with the property owner; and approve the CEQA Exemption and adopt Resolution No. 2016-158. Motion carried unanimously.

**10. LOCAL REGISTER DESIGNATION, MILLS ACT CONTRACT, AND CEQA EXEMPTION FOR 440 EAST 7TH AVENUE (HP 16-0006) -**

Request the City Council approve the listing of the residence at 440 East 7th Avenue on the City's Local Register of Historic Places; enter into a Mills Act contract with the property owner; and approve the CEQA Exemption. (File No. 0880-10)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Community Development Department: Bill Martin)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-159

Paul Bingham, Planning, presented the staff report, utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

No one from the public requested to speak on this issue in any way.

**MOTION:** Moved by Deputy Mayor Morasco and seconded by Councilmember Masson to approve the listing of the residence at 440 East 7th Avenue on the City's Local Register of Historic Places; enter into a Mills Act contract with the property owner; and approve the CEQA Exemption and adopt Resolution No. 2016-159. Motion carried unanimously.

**11. LOCAL REGISTER DESIGNATION, MILLS ACT CONTRACT, AND CEQA EXEMPTION FOR 1106 SOUTH JUNIPER STREET (HP 16-0007) -**

Request the City Council approve the listing of the residence at 1106 South Juniper Street on the City's Local Register of Historic Places; enter into a Mills Act contract with the property owner; and approve the CEQA Exemption. (File No. 0880-10)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Community Development Department: Bill Martin)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-160

Paul Bingham, Planning, presented the staff report, utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

Mayor Abed opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak on this issue in any way. No one asked to be heard. Therefore, he closed the public hearing.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Masson and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to approve the listing of the residence at 1106 South Juniper Street on the City's Local Register of Historic Places; enter into a Mills Act contract with the property owner; and approve the CEQA Exemption and adopt Resolution No. 2016-160. Motion carried unanimously.

## **CURRENT BUSINESS**

**12. FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/16 -**

Request the City Council receive and file the annual financial status report for Fiscal Year 2015/16 and approve the budget adjustment that recommends using the year-end General Fund surplus of \$1,961,000 to fund specific department funding requests totaling \$232,000, to transfer \$500,000 to the Workers Compensation Fund Reserve, to transfer \$200,000 to the General Liability Fund Reserve and to adopt Resolution No. 2016-167. The Resolution recommends transferring \$529,000 to a newly established "Pension Rate Smoothing Reserve" and transfer the remaining balance of \$500,000 to the General Fund Reserve. The year-end Reserve balance will be \$17,392,319. (File No. 0430-30)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Finance Department: Sheryl Bennett)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-167

Sheryl Bennett, Director of Administrative Services, Joan Ryan, Assistant Director of Finance, Michelle Collett, Finance, and Scott Petersen, Finance, presented the staff report, utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Masson to receive and file the annual financial status report for Fiscal Year 2015/16 and approve the budget adjustment that recommends using the year-end General Fund surplus of \$1,961,000 to fund specific department funding requests totaling \$232,000, to transfer \$500,000 to the Workers Compensation Fund Reserve, to transfer \$200,000 to the General Liability Fund Reserve and to adopt Resolution No. 2016-167. The Resolution recommends transferring \$529,000 to a newly established "Pension Rate Smoothing Reserve" and transfer the remaining balance of \$500,000 to the General Fund Reserve. The year-end Reserve balance will be \$17,392,319 and adopt Resolution No. 2016-167. Motion carried unanimously.

**13. PROPOSED CHANGES TO ANNUAL INVENTORY OF CITY FEES -**

Request the City Council approve authorizing new City fees; making changes to certain existing fees for service; and deleting fees for services that are no longer used. (File No. 0480-45)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Finance Department: Sheryl Bennett)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-147(R)

Sheryl Bennett, Director of Administrative Services, and Christina Holmes, Revenue Manager, presented the staff report, utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

**MOTION:** Moved by Deputy Mayor Morasco and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to approve authorizing new City fees; making changes to certain existing fees for service; and deleting fees for services that are no longer used and adopt Resolution No. 2016-147 R. Motion carried unanimously.

## **FUTURE AGENDA**

**14. FUTURE AGENDA -**

The purpose of this item is to identify issues presently known to staff or which members of the City Council wish to place on an upcoming City Council agenda. Council comment on these future agenda items is limited by California Government Code Section 54954.2 to clarifying questions, brief announcements, or requests for factual information in connection with an item when it is discussed.

Staff Recommendation: **None (City Clerk's Office: Diane Halverson)**

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS' SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilmember Gallo reported on the San Diego County Water Authority and shared information about recent legislation; noted that North County Transit District Board Meetings are being held in various North County cities.

Mayor Abed reported on SANDAG; Palomar Community College President met with the five North County Mayors of Innovate 78 Corridor.

## **CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE/BRIEFING**

The most current information from the City Manager regarding Economic Development, Capital Improvement Projects, Public Safety and Community Development.

- **CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE -**

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS****ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

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MAYOR

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