

**CITY OF ESCONDIDO**  
**August 16, 2017**  
**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 3:35 p.m. on Wednesday, August 16, 2017 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Abed presiding.

**ATTENDANCE:**

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

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

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

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Morasco and seconded by Deputy Mayor Masson to recess to Closed Session. Motion carried unanimously.

- I. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Government Code §54957.6)**
  - a. **Agency Negotiator:** Sheryl Bennett and Jeffrey Epp
  - Employee Organization:** Non-Sworn Police Bargaining Unit
  
- II. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Government Code §54956.8)**
  - a. **Property:** 201 North Pine Street, APNs 233-032-07 & -08 (Former Lopez Market, 520-544 West Third Avenue, APNs 233-032-12, -13, & -14
  - City Negotiator:** Jay Petrek, Assistant City Manager
  - Negotiating Parties:** Prospective Purchasers
  - Under Negotiation:** Price and Terms of Agreement

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

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DEPUTY CITY CLERK

**CITY OF ESCONDIDO**  
**August 16, 2017**  
**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 4:32 p.m. on Wednesday, August 16, 2017 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Abed presiding.

**MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

Bill Pinkerton led the Moment of Reflection.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Boy Scout Troup 649 led the flag salute.

**ATTENDANCE:**

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

Also present were: Jeffrey Epp, City Manager; Michael McGuinness, City Attorney; Mike Strong, Assistant Director of Planning; Julie Procopio, Director of Engineering Services; Diane Halverson, City Clerk; and Jennifer Ekblad, Deputy City Clerk.

**PROCLAMATIONS**

Mayor Abed presented a Certificate of Recognition to Sean Golding.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Jeffree Itrich presented regarding the Walk to End Alzheimer's.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Dolores McQuiston, Escondido**, commented regarding the closure of the branch library.

**Roy Garrett, Escondido**, requested the library outsourcing item be removed from the August 23, 2017 City Council Agenda and spoke in opposition to outsourcing library services.

**Karen Tatge**, president of the Escondido City Employees' Association, shared her experience with Riverside Library staff who work for LS&S and spoke in opposition to outsourcing library services.

**Fairen Stastny, Escondido**, shared her family's utilization of Escondido Public Library services and spoke in opposition to privatizing library services.

**Bonnie Packert, Escondido**, questioned privatizing library services and spoke in opposition to outsourcing.

**Heidi Paul, Escondido**, spoke in opposition to outsourcing library services.

**Charles Jungk, Escondido**, spoke in opposition to privatizing library services.

**Ronald Kohl, Escondido**, commented regarding the closure of the branch library and spoke in opposition to outsourcing library services.

**Chris Nava, Escondido**, spoke in opposition to outsourcing library services.

## CONSENT CALENDAR

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to approve all Consent Calendar items with the exception of items 5, 7, and 8. 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: A) Regular Meeting of July 12, 2017 B) Regular Meeting of July 19, 2017**

4. **FISCAL YEAR 2017-18 STATE OF CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT GRANT AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT -**

Request the City Council approve authorizing the Escondido Police Department to accept a Fiscal Year 2017-18 California Office of Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Grant in the amount of \$510,000; authorize the Chief of Police or his designee to execute grant documents on behalf of the City; and approve budget adjustments needed to spend grant funds. (File No. 0480-70)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Police Department: Craig Carter)**

5. **AMENDMENT TO PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT: 700 WEST GRAND AVENUE -**

Request the City Council approve authorizing the Real Property Manager and the City Clerk to execute a Fourth Amendment to the Purchase and Sale Agreement for the sale of 700 West Grand Avenue to Lyon-Integral Escondido Gateway, LLC. (File No. 0690-20)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Engineering Services Department: Julie Procopio)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-114

Deputy Mayor Masson disclosed the developer was a previous, but not a current client.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to approve authorizing the Real Property Manager and the City Clerk to execute a Fourth Amendment to the Purchase and Sale Agreement for the sale of 700 West Grand Avenue to Lyon-Integral Escondido Gateway, LLC and adopt Resolution No. 2017 114. Ayes: Diaz, Gallo, and Morasco; Noes: None; Abstain: Masson and Abed. Motion carried.

6. **INCREASE TO PURCHASE ORDER FOR WATER TREATMENT CHEMICAL -**

Request the City Council approve an increase of \$19,900 to the City's Fiscal Year 2016/2017 purchase order with Water Solutions (Azure Water Services). Water Solutions provides the Water Treatment Plant with the chemical purate, used during the disinfection process. (File No. 0470-25)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Utilities Department: Christopher W. McKinney)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-115

**7. AWARD BID FOR NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP STREET LIGHTING PROJECT -**

Request the City Council approve authorizing the bid award to HMS Construction, Inc., who was determined to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute a Public Improvement Agreement in the amount of \$500,580 for the Neighborhood Group Street Lighting Project. (File No. 0600-10 [A-3220])

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Engineering Services Department: Julie Procopio)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-117

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Deputy Mayor Masson to approve authorizing the bid award to HMS Construction, Inc., who was determined to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute a Public Improvement Agreement in the amount of \$500,580 for the Neighborhood Group Street Lighting Project and adopt Resolution No. 2017-117. Motion carried unanimously.

**8. AMEND THE TRAFFIC SCHEDULE FOR TIMED ZONED PARKING IN DOWNTOWN MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT #6 -**

Request the City Council approve establishing a 2-hour time limit for one row of parking spaces in Downtown Municipal Parking Lot #6, located on Second Avenue, between Kalmia Street and Juniper Street. (File No. 1050-50)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Engineering Services Department: Julie Procopio)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-119

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Deputy Mayor Masson to approve establishing a 2-hour time limit for one row of parking spaces in Downtown Municipal Parking Lot #6, located on Second Avenue, between Kalmia Street and Juniper Street and adopt Resolution No. 2017-119. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT – RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES (COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/RRB)**

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.)

**9. AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 70 (SECOND DWELLING UNITS) OF THE ESCONDIDO ZONING CODE (AZ 16-0007) -**

Approved on July 19, 2017 with a vote of 4/1, Masson voting no. (File No. 0810-20)

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-06 (Second Reading and Adoption)

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**10. AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 57 (MISCELLANEOUS USE RESTRICTIONS) OF THE ESCONDIDO ZONING CODE TO ESTABLISH ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING REGULATIONS (AZ 17-0002)**

Request the City Council approve establishing an expedited, cost-effective permitting process for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations consistent with current State law requirements. (File No. 0810-20)

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-11 (First Reading and Introduction)

Mike Strong, Assistant Director of 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 Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Gallo to approve establishing an expedited, cost-effective permitting process for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations consistent with current State law requirements and introduce Ordinance No. 2017-11. Motion carried unanimously.

## CURRENT BUSINESS

**11. SELECTION OF PREFERRED TRACK TO COMPLY WITH REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD TRASH ORDER (R9-2017-0077) -**

Request the City Council approve directing staff to notify the Regional Water Quality Control Board that Tract 1 is selected to comply with Trash Order R9-2017-0077 by September 5, 2017. (File No. 0230-65)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Utilities Department: Christopher W. McKinney, Engineering Services Department: Julie Procopio, Public Works Department: Ed Domingue)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-98

Helen Davies, Environmental Programs Manager, presented the staff report utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

**Jonathan Sciano, Escondido**, questioned what company is requiring this project.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Mayor Abed to approve directing staff to notify the Regional Water Quality Control Board that Tract 1 is selected to comply with Trash Order R9-2017-0077 by September 5, 2017 and adopt Resolution No. 2017-98. Ayes: Abed, Diaz, Gallo, Morasco; Noes: Masson. Motion carried.

**12. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH INVOICE CLOUD, INC. TO PROVIDE ELECTRONIC PAYMENT AND BILLING SERVICES FOR UTILITY BILLING ACCOUNTS -**

Request the City Council approve authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a three (3) year Public Service Agreement with Invoice Cloud, Inc. effective September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2020, with three (3) additional one-year renewal options. (File No. 0600-10 [A3229])

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-116

Christina Holmes, Revenue Manager, presented the staff report utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

**MOTION:** Moved by Deputy Mayor Masson and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to approve authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a three (3) year Public Service Agreement with Invoice Cloud, Inc. effective September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2020, with three (3) additional one-year renewal options and adopt Resolution No. 2017-116. Motion carried unanimously.

## FUTURE AGENDA

**13. 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 Morasco requested a school subcommittee meeting.

Councilmember Gallo shared information on SB 623, a new tax on water services, from the recent San Diego County Water Authority meeting; and SANDAG Borders Committee indicated that part of Interstate 5 near the border will be closed September 23-25; and North County Transit District will receive a grant to purchase 10 new compressed natural gas buses.

Deputy Mayor Masson requested a meeting with the school subcommittee to discuss traffic mitigation solutions.

Mayor Abed reported SANDAG received a report regarding Proposition A, in which the executive director position was evaluated; boardmembers to decide whether to waive the 120-day resignation and approve appointment of a new executive director; and LAFCO Executive Director Mike Ott is retiring, Peckman & McKinney were hired to search for a new executive director, former executive director from Napa Valley was hired; and shared information regarding amended AB 805 with 16 cities in opposition.

## CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT

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

- **WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT -**

## ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

**Sherrill Townsend, Escondido**, shared concerns about services being cut if privatization of library services is approved.

**John Redman, Escondido**, shared his concerns about accountability and transparency; spoke in opposition to privatizing library services.

**Marie Schwab, Escondido**, requested a public comment period and questioned how and when the public will be notified in regards to privatizing library services.

**Patricia Borchmann, Escondido**, shared a graphic regarding the City's budget and commented regarding the cost analysis and savings to the City if library services are outsourced.

**Virginia Abushanab, Escondido**, presented a petition containing signatures of those who oppose privatizing library services and spoke in opposition to outsourcing library services.

**Phyllis Allinson, San Marcos**, spoke in opposition to privatizing library services.

**Maryl Burke, Escondido**, shared an email from a library employee and spoke in opposition to privatizing library services.

**Brenda Townsend, Escondido**, spoke in opposition to privatizing library services.

**Vanessa Valenzuela, Escondido,** commented regarding the City's budget and spoke in opposition to privatizing library services.

**Barbara Letsom, Escondido,** commented regarding librarians and disagreed with the closing of the East Valley Parkway Library Branch.

**Marilyn Joy Shepard, Escondido,** shared her experiences with library services and spoke in opposition to privatizing library services.

**Pamela Stahl, Escondido,** spoke in opposition to outsourcing library services.

**Tom Cowan, Escondido,** voiced his support of a new library in Grape Day Park and spoke in opposition to outsourcing library services.

**Liz White, Escondido,** shared a poster with children's signatures, voiced her support of a new library, and spoke in opposition to outsourcing library services.

**Greg Dean, Escondido,** shared information on the California Public Employee Pension system and spoke in opposition to privatizing library services.

**Consuelo Martinez, Escondido,** spoke in opposition to outsourcing library services and recommended holding City Council meetings later in the day so that more citizens may attend.

**Neal Griffin, Escondido,** spoke in opposition to privatizing library services.

**Debbie Restler, Escondido,** spoke in opposition to outsourcing library services.

**Christopher Stastny, Escondido,** questioned the cost of City staff providing services.

## ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

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MAYOR

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