



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Winters City Council
Held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017

5:30 p.m. – Executive Session

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 - Public Employee Performance Evaluation – City Manager

Mayor Cowan said there was no reportable action taken in Executive Session.

6:30 p.m. – Regular Session

Mayor Wade Cowan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Council Members Harold Anderson, Bill Biasi, Jesse Loren, Pierre Neu and Mayor Wade Cowan.

Absent: None

Staff: City Manager John Donlevy, City Attorney Ethan Walsh, City Clerk Nanci Mills, Director of Financial Management Shelly Gunby, Contract Planner Dave Dowswell, Environmental Services Manager Carol Scianna, Building Official Gene Ashdown, and Management Analyst Tracy Jensen.

Gene Ashdown led the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Council Member Loren, second by Council Member Neu to approve the agenda with no changes. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Biasi, Loren, Neu, Mayor Cowan

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Winters City Council Held on Tuesday, January 3, 2017
- B. Resolution 2017-02, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Winters Approving Plans, Specifications and a Project Budget Sheet, and Authorize the City Engineer to Proceed with the Bidding Process for the Construction of the Main and Grant Signal Improvements, PN 16-01
- C. Resolution 2017-03, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Winters Approving Plans and Technical Specifications, and Authorize the City Engineer to Proceed with the Bidding Process for the Construction of the Downtown Water & Storm Drain Improvements, PN 17-01
- D. Main and Grant Signal Archaeological Services
- E. Resolution 2017-04, a Resolution Amending the October 2015 through October 2017 Firefighter Personnel Rules
- F. Approval of City of Winters – Holiday Pay (Police)
- G. Side Agreement – Amending the October 2015 through October 2017 Winters Miscellaneous Association – Uniform Pay

City Manager Donlevy gave an overview. Council Member Anderson recused himself from Consent Item C due to a possible conflict of interest but remained at the dais under City Attorney's guidance. Motion by Council Member Loren, second by Council Member Biasi to approve Consent Items A, B, D, E, F and G. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Biasi, Loren, Neu, Mayor Cowan
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Motion by Council Member Biasi, second by Council Member Neu to approve Consent Item C. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Biasi, Loren, Neu, Mayor Cowan
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Council Member Anderson

PRESENTATIONS: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Public Hearing, Introduction and Waive the First Reading of Ordinance 2017-01, an Ordinance Amending Chapters 17.04 (Definitions), 17.16 (Applications and Public Hearings), 17.52 (Land Use Regulations: Zoning Matrix), and 17.58 (Second Residential Units)

Contract Planner Dave Dowswell gave an overview of the proposed zoning text amendments to Title 17 of the Winters Municipal Code regarding second residential units, or accessory dwelling units.

Mayor Cowan opened the public hearing at 6:47 p.m. Building Official Gene Ashdown said he supports the decisions made by the State. Mayor Cowan closed the public hearing at 6:48 p.m.

Motion by Council Member Anderson, second by Council Member Loren to introduce and waive the first reading of Ordinance 2017-01, amending Chapters 17.04 (Definitions), 17.16 (Applications and Public Hearings), 17.52 (Land Use Regulations: Zoning Matrix), and 17.58 (Second Residential Units). Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Biasi, Loren, Neu, Mayor Cowan
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

2. Pension and Unfunded Liabilities

City Manager Donlevy and Director of Financial Management Gunby collectively gave an overview of the City's three areas of unfunded liabilities, which include accrued leave balance (or compensated absences), postemployment benefits, and net pension liability. The City's unfunded liability currently falls between \$5-\$7 million, while neighboring jurisdictions are facing hundreds of millions of dollars in unfunded liability.

Accrued leave balances are now capped at 500 hours at the end of each fiscal year. The City purchased existing balances above 500 hours for many long tenured employees to reduce the unfunded burden. Management staff is monitoring employee vacation time and requiring all employees to take a

minimum of 5 consecutive days of vacation time per year. This will help control the amount of unused leave time liability for the City.

Postemployment benefit payments for City retirees includes a mandated contribution by the City toward health benefits, which requires a minimum contribution of \$128 per month per retiree, totaling \$9,216 for 6 retired employees. Currently, an estimated \$27,400 will be needed to be able to have funds set aside for future retiree health insurance.

City Manager Donlevy directed Council to the chart contained on page 73 of the staff report displaying the CalPERS Retirement Plans Status, including the 17-18 and 18-19 rates and liability payments, the estimated unfunded liability as of 6/30/17, and a 15, 20, and 30 year amortization schedule. Staff will come up with an overall strategy by this time next year to fold into the next 2-year budget cycle.

Council Member Biasi liked the fact that staff is addressing this issue now and Council Member Anderson said the YSAQMD is also going through the same thing and asked if they might be able to provide any helpful information.

CITY OF WINTERS AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE WINTERS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

1. Resolution SA-2017-01 of the City of Winters as Successor Agency to the Winters Community Development Agency Adopting a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule Pursuant to AB1X 26

Agency Chairman Biasi opened the Successor Agency at 7:23 p.m. Director of Financial Management Gunby gave an overview. Once the ROPS is approved by the Successor Agency and the Oversight Board, it will then be submitted to the Department of Finance for approval.

Motion by Agency Member Neu, second by Agency Member Cowan to approve Resolution SA-2017-01 (with corrections) of the City of Winters as Successor Agency to the Winters Community Development Agency Adopting a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule Pursuant to AB1X 26. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Agency Members Anderson, Cowan, Loren, Neu, Agency Chairman Biasi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Agency Chairman Biasi closed the Successor Agency at 7:32 p.m.

CITY MANAGER REPORT: The Mayor & City Manager met with the downtown hotel developers and received the best news: a copy of the USDA loan guarantee, which brings a lion's share of money into the project. Now that the financing and loan guarantee are present, the project is ready to go, weather permitting. Get the plans in for plan check and we can expect an incredible spring!

INFORMATION ONLY: None

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Cowan adjourned the City Council meeting at 7:33 p.m.



Wade Cowan, MAYOR

ATTEST:



Nanci G. Mills, City Clerk