



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Winters City Council  
Held on December 19, 2017

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

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

Absent: None

Staff: City Manager John W. Donlevy Jr., City Attorney Ethan Walsh, City Clerk Nanci Mills, Director of Financial Management Shelly Gunby, Environmental Services Manager Carol Scianna, Public Works Superintendent Eric Lucero, Public Works Maintenance Workers Tony Luna and Ramiro Becerra, and Management Analyst Tracy Jensen.

Jesse Salinas, Yolo County Assessor and Clerk-Recorder led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda: City Manager Donlevy requested that Consent Item D be moved to Discussion Item 1, and the Public Works presentation to be given first. Motion by Council Member Biasi, second by Council Member Loren to approve the agenda with the noted 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, December 5, 2017
- B. Final Project Acceptance and Notice of Completion for Public Improvements for PG&E Gas Operation Technical Training Center (GOTTC)
- C. Final Project Acceptance and Notice of Completion for Grant Avenue & Main Street Signal and Pedestrian Improvements, Project No. 16-01
- D. Yolo Solano Clean Air Funds Grant Award Acceptance for Electric Car Charging Station **(Moved to Discussion Item #1)**

City Manager Donlevy gave an overview. Council Member Anderson recused himself from Item B due to a possible conflict of interest. Motion by Council Member Loren, second by Council Member Neu to approve Items A & C. 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 Loren, second by Council Member Neu to approve Item B. Motion carried with the following vote:

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

PRESENTATIONS

Public Works Superintendent Eric Lucero introduced Tony Luna and Ramiro Becerra, Public Works Maintenance Works IV and III, respectively, and said Tony runs the water distribution center. But Ramiro, with his D1, D2, WW1, T1 and T2 certifications, is following in Tony's footsteps. Eric also recognized the entire Public Works staff, listed the certificates held and the duties required of each staff member. Eric then reviewed the operating budget in the water and wastewater departments. Tony gave an overview of each of the five wells within the City and Eric reviewed photos of various projects that were completed by staff members. Mayor Cowan asked what the average daily water usage is and Tony replied that this time of year it's 600,000 gallons/day, but during the summer it's as much as 2,000,000 gallons/day! City Manager Donlevy said the well capacity was not built for demand but for fire capacity. The ISO (Insurance

Standard Organization) determines fire insurance rates based on water capacity and the City has improved from an 8 to a 5, thus lowering the fire insurance rate for the City. Tony is the key person within the water system and Ramiro is the future. Mayor Cowan and the Council thanked Eric and the entire Public Works team for their hard work.

Jesse Salinas, Yolo County Assessor, Clerk-Recorder and Registrar of Voters described the duties that are required within the Assessor, Clerk-Recorder, and Election/Registrar of Voters offices. He spoke about his wonderful staff who make things happen and introduced George Galang, the Chief Deputy Assessor. Jesse then gave a power point presentation including an overview of the 2017/2018 Assessment Roll Report. Council Member Biasi asked if the City of Winters was back up to its assessed value after viewing the 10-year historical statistics. Jesse said the City will finally be there this year, and Shelly added that the City should finally be receiving the amount of property tax we were receiving 10 years ago. Mayor Cowan and the Council thanked Jesse and George for their presentation and for providing this information.

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Yolo-Solano Clean Air Funds Grant Award Acceptance for Electric Car Charging Station

City Manager Donlevy gave an overview and said this grant would give the City the opportunity to get a couple more car chargers and presented Council with two options: do not charge for parking or put \$3,000 into it and charge for parking. Council Member Biasi asked if the charger that is currently in place could be adapted to charge for parking and City Manager Donlevy said it could, confirming the current cost to the City is minimal and that someone could plug their car in all day as there are no limitations in place. Council Member Loren said she would like to see signage posted indicating the maximum charge hours allowed, and include the location of the charger(s) on the City and Chamber websites.

Motion by Council Member Biasi, second by Council Member Anderson to accept the grant, monitor the current usage and decide on Option 1 or 2 at the January 16<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting. Motion carried with the following vote:

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

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

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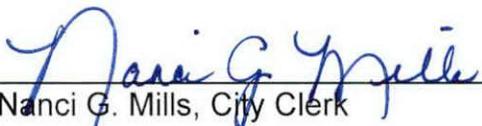
CITY MANAGER REPORT: The roundabout was fully functional last night. Staff just needs to close out some project management items, ie: street lights, 2 additional signs, etc. Staff will also work on removing the 40 mph signs. Fire Captain Brad Lopez is the strike team leader on the Thomas fire in Southern California. Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup> is the Holiday Luncheon and City Hall will be closed from Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup> and re-opening on Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

INFORMATION ONLY: None

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Cowan adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

  
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Wade Cowan, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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Nanci G. Mills, City Clerk