



**CITY OF CORNING  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2011  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
794 THIRD STREET**

**A. CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m.**

**B. ROLL CALL:**

<p><b>Council:</b></p> <p><b>Mayor:</b></p>	<p><b>Toni Parkins</b> <b>John Leach</b> <b>Darlene Dickison</b> <b>Dave Linnet</b> <b>Gary Strack</b></p>
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All members of the Council were present.

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by the City Manager.**

**D. INVOCATION: Led by Mayor Strack.**

Persons of no religious persuasion will not be expected in any manner to stand or to participate other than to remain quiet out of respect for those who do choose to participate.

**E. PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, APPOINTMENTS, and PRESENTATIONS:**

1. **Police Chief Tony Cardenas Introduces California Highway Patrol Area Commander Lt. Todd Garr.**

Mr. Garr stated he has 22 years of service with the California Highway Patrol. He informed the Council that his agency has a good working relationship with the City of Corning and enjoys working with our Staff.

**F. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: None.**

**G. CONSENT AGENDA: It is recommended that items listed on the Consent Agenda be acted on simultaneously unless a Councilmember or members of the audience requests separate discussion and/or action.**

2. **Waive reading, except by title, of any Ordinance under consideration at this meeting for either introduction or passage, per Government Code Section 36934.**
3. **Waive the Reading and approve the Minutes of the August 9, 2011 City Council Meeting with any necessary corrections.**
4. **August 17, 2011 Claim Warrant - \$188,150.24.**
5. **August 17, 2011 Business License Report.**

Councilor Parkins moved to approve Consent Items 2-5 and Councilor Dickison seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach, Dickison and Linnet. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.**

**H. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.**

**I. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MEETINGS: None.**

**J. REGULAR AGENDA:**

6. **Resolution 08-23-2011-01 Amending the Outdoor Advertising Sign Regulations allowing the placement of "Welcome – Wayfinding" Signs within the City of Corning.**

Mayor Strack introduced this item by title and Planning Director John Stoufer briefed the Council and audience on the proposed Resolution and associated restrictions relating to the two Welcome – Gateway Signs. He also discussed the conditions associated with the design standards and then showed a proposed sign mock-up utilizing the logo approved by the Council and illustrating the proposed signs appearance. Mr. Stoufer clarified that based upon the proposed Resolution, only two signs shall be permitted.

Councilor Leach asked if the signs would be two sided. Project enthusiast and local businessman Dewey Lucero responded stating the signs were designed to be two sided. Mayor Strack suggested that the South Avenue sign might work being two sided; however he didn't believe a two sided sign on Solano Street would work. Mayor Strack then asked who would be responsible for determining which businesses could be placed on the signs. Mr. Stoufer responded stating that the signs would not be funded/constructed by the City, but rather by a private party(s)/business(s) and they would determine which businesses would be allowed in accordance with the conditions of the Resolution. He also explained that a Building Permit and possibly an Encroachment Permit would be required through the City for the construction and location of the signs. Mr. Stoufer also emphasized the stipulations of only 10 business placards per sign, 5 placard spaces reserved for businesses associated with the olive industry or an agricultural operation and 5 placards for businesses not associated with the olive industry or agricultural operations.

Councilor Leach moved to adopt Resolution No. 08-23-2011-01 amending the outdoor advertising sign regulations allowing "Welcome/Gateway Signs" as recommended by the Adhoc Committee and Planning Commission. Councilor Linnet seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach, Dickison and Linnet. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.** Mayor Strack requested City Manager Kimbrough coordinate all remaining actions associated with this item.

**7. Authorization to Purchase RIMS System (Records Information Management System) and Network Server for Police Department.**

Mayor Strack introduced this item by title and City Manager Kimbrough presented the system/network cost and explained why this is an item where time is of the essence. Mayor Strack confirmed that this is a seven year purchase item acknowledging that this year's cost has been budgeted in the current year budget. Chief Cardenas informed the Council of the departments extensive research/information received associated with this system. Councilor Parkins moved to authorize the purchase and installation of the RIMS Software/Support and Network Server. Councilor Dickison seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach, Dickison and Linnet. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.**

**8. Authorize Fire Chief to Enter into Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant for the Purchase of Personal Protective Equipment.**

Mayor Strack introduced this item by title and City Manager Kimbrough and Fire Chief Spannuas briefed the Council on the grant terms and informed them that this is the third year the City has applied for and received this type of grant. They noted that the grant requires matching funds of \$7,465 (50/50 grant match) and that these funds will allow the Department to replace old Personal Protective Equipment (protective coat and trousers, i.e. "Turnouts") for new Volunteers. Chief Spannuas explained that the shelf life for the "Turnouts" is 10-years and some of the Department's protective equipment could be out of compliance. Councilor Dickison moved to authorize the Fire Chief to enter into a Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant Agreement for the purchase of \$14,930 worth of personal protective equipment and appropriate \$7,465 as the City's grant match from the General Fund to Fire Capital Replacement Account 001-9302-2301. Councilor Parkins seconded the motion. **Ayes: Strack, Parkins, Leach, Dickison and Linnet. Opposed: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.**

**K. ITEMS PLACED ON THE AGENDA FROM THE FLOOR: None.**

**L. COMMUNICATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION: None.**

**M. REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS: City Councilmembers will report on attendance at conferences/meetings reimbursed at City expense (Requirement of Assembly Bill 1234).**

**Parkins: None.**

**Leach: Reported on last Thursday Community Action Agency meeting.**

**Dickison: Reported she attended the Java Lanes and Peggy's Thrift Store Grand Openings.**

**Linnet:** Reported that there had been no graffiti for the last two weeks.

**Strack:** Announced the City was still accepting applications for the vacant position on the Planning and Recreation Commissions. He announced September 7<sup>th</sup> as the closing date to apply for these two vacant positions in order to agendaize a recommendation of Commission appointments at the next City Council Meeting on September 13<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Strack informed Council of the possibility that the repavement of the Masonic Lodge's parking lot and splitting these costs three ways between the City, the Chamber of Commerce and the Masonic Lodge would be agendaized for a subsequent Council Meeting. He noted that currently City employees and Chamber members/visitors utilize this parking lot.

Dewey Lucero announced a list of businesses interested in placement on the Welcome/Gateway Signs. Mayor Strack stated that businesses wishing to be considered for placement on the "Welcome/Gateway" signs should contact Mr. Lucero as soon as possible as they are filling up fast. He also asked who would be the contact for the signs; Mr. Stoufer answered stating the contact would be whoever is building the signs. Following some discussion, Mayor Strack announced that the City will refer interested parties to Mr. Lucero.

**N. ADJOURNMENT!: 8:02 p.m.**

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**Lisa M. Linnet, City Clerk**