



**CITY OF CORNING
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
CLOSED SESSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
794 THIRD STREET**

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A. CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL:

Council:

**Darlene Dickison
Dave Linnet
Jose "Chuy" Valerio
Robert Snow
Douglas Hatley Jr.**

Mayor:

All members of the Council were present except Councilor Linnet.

The **Brown Act** requires that the Council provide the opportunity for persons in the audience to briefly address the Council on the subject(s) scheduled for tonight's closed session. Is there anyone wanting to comment on the subject(s) the Council will be discussing in closed session? If so, please come to the podium, identify yourself and give us your comments.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

D. REGULAR AGENDA:

- 1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 SUBDIVISION (d):
One Case**
- 2. CONFERENCE WITH PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8:**
 - a) Property: Corning Transportation Center, Suite A**
 - b) Property Negotiator: Kristina Miller, City Manager**
 - c) Lease Price and Terms**

E. ADJOURN TO REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION: 6:32 p.m.

Mayor Hatley reported that Council met in Closed Session and received report and gave direction associated with item one, and provided the City Manager with direction related to the second item.

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

D. INVOCATION: Led by Mayor Hatley.

E. PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, APPOINTMENTS, PRESENTATIONS:

City of Corning Public Works Director Dawn Grine announced that the Tehama County Joint Hazard Mitigation Committee is currently working on a draft plan. She then presented the City Council and audience members with a survey to assist with the development of this Plan.

Ms. Grine also reported that the Corning Fire Department responded to a fire in the back part of the Senior Center building in the early hours of Tuesday, September 12th. The Senior Center has closed for the week. Fire Chief Martin Spannaus reported that the fire was quickly extinguished and believes that the resulting damage to the building is minimal.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

An audience member addressed the Council regarding issues with the property located at 906 Hickory Street. She stated she is afraid to live there with the continual traffic coming in and going from the property.

Fire Chief Martin Spannaus stated that the City (Police, Fire & Building Department) is responding and stating that Thursday the City will begin a clean-up process at this location. Another resident stated she is tired of the drug dealing and theft in this neighborhood being experienced by herself and her neighbors. She further stated that this has been going on in this neighborhood for two years...our Police Department needs help, more Officers, etc. The City needs to support our Public Safety Departments.

Police Chief Fears also responded stating that the Department has a new Officer in training that has come from the Department of Fish and Game. This new Officer should complete the training phase and be able to work on his own within the next four months. He further stated that the City is currently sponsoring two individuals through the Police Academy for positions within the Department upon graduation.

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 request separate discussion and/or action.

- 1. Waive reading, except by title, of any Ordinance under consideration at this meeting for either introduction or passage, per Government Code Section 36934.**
- 2. Waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the August 22, 2017 Special City Council Closed Session and Regular Meeting with any necessary corrections.**
- 3. September 6, 2017 Business License Report.**

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4. **August 2017 Wages & Salaries: \$460,608.72**
5. **August 2017 Treasurer's Report.**
6. **Approve Solano Street closure on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. from Third Street to Sixth Street for the Olive Festival Food Truck Tuesday Event.**
7. **August 2017 City of Corning Wastewater Operations Summary Report.**

Councilor Dickison moved to approve Consent Items 1-7; Councilor Snow seconded the motion. **Ayes: Hatley, Dickison, Valerio and Snow. Absent: Linnet. Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with Linnet absent.**

H. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MEETINGS: None

J. REGULAR AGENDA:

8. **Adopt Resolution 09-12-2017-01, a Resolution declaring a public nuisance on three (3) properties within the City and authorizing the Fire Chief and City Clerk to initiate abatement procedures.**

Fire Chief Spannaus briefed the Council on information relating to this item.

Councilor Dickison moved to adopt Resolution 09-12-2017-01 declaring that a public nuisance exists on the three properties listed, specifically 760 El Paso Avenue, 23282 Blackburn Avenue and 3580 Toomes Avenue; that such conditions are seasonal and recurrent nuisances; and to authorize the Fire Chief and City Clerk to initiate abatement procedures on these properties/parcels as outlined in the City's Municipal Code. Councilor Valerio seconded the motion. **Ayes: Hatley, Dickison, Valerio and Snow. Absent: Linnet. Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with Linnet absent.**

9. **Approve proposed three-year Agreement with the Center for Evaluation and Research, LLC for Proposition 47 Grant Evaluation Services.**

City Manager Kristina Miller briefed the Council on this Agreement and the services provided under the Agreement that are funded through the Proposition 47 Grant.

Councilor Dickison moved to approve the attached three-year Agreement between the City of Corning and the Center for Evaluation and Research in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 and to authorize the City Manager to establish all necessary City fund codes associated with Proposition 47 Funds. Councilor Snow seconded the motion. **Ayes: Hatley, Dickison, Valerio and Snow. Absent: Linnet. Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with Linnet absent.**

10. **Award proposal for new Skid-Steer Loader for the Wastewater Treatment Plant to Bobcat of Chico for the total amount of \$33,158.39.**

Public Works Director Dawn Grine presented this item and briefed the Council on the Bids received.

Councilor Snow moved to award the proposal for a new Skid-Steer Loader for the Wastewater Treatment Plan to Bobcat of Chico for the amount of \$33,158.39; Councilor Valerio seconded the motion. **Ayes: Hatley, Dickison, Valerio and Snow. Absent: Linnet. Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with Linnet absent.**

11. **Authorize Staff to negotiate and execute Contract with qualified Contractor for the pruning of approximately 514 City Palm Trees.**

Public Works Director Dawn Grine presented this item explaining that although the City solicited Bids from 13 Companies, none responded with a Bid.

Councilor Dickison moved to authorize Staff to negotiate and execute a Contract with a qualified Contractor for pruning approximately 514 Palm Trees within the City limits; Councilor Snow seconded the motion. **Ayes: Hatley, Dickison, Valerio and Snow. Absent: Linnet. Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with Linnet absent.**

12. **September 6, 2017 Claim Warrant - \$286,334.07.**

City Manager Miller explained the reason for the reorganizing of the Agenda (due to the need to approve the Agreement with the Center for Evaluation & Research, LLC prior to considering approval of the Claim Warrant).

Councilor Dickison moved to approve the September 6, 2017 Claim Warrant in the amount of \$286,334.07. Councilor Snow seconded the motion. **Ayes: Hatley, Dickison, Valerio and Snow. Absent: Linnet. Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with Linnet absent.**

13. Authorize Public Works Director to solicit Bids for repair/replacement of three City Roofs.

Public Works Director Dawn Grine presented this item stating that the damage to the City Hall, Library and Fire Department roofs occurred as a result of the 2016 hail storm. She further stated that in addition to these three buildings, the hail storm also caused damage to the roofs of the Blackburn Avenue rental property (which was repaired in July at a total cost of \$23,593.84) and the City Corporation Yard (the Public Works Crew will be removing and replacing 36 sheets of fiberglass sheeting). She explained that the damage for all buildings (the damage to the Corporation Yard roof was not initially included in the walk-through with the Insurance Adjuster, however it has been included since in the open claim) has been submitted to the City's insurance carrier. She stated that upon completion of the roofing project, the City will forward the actual project costs to QBE Americas, Inc. for claim settlement. The claim settlement will be less the \$5,000 insurance deductible.

Councilor Snow moved to authorize the Public Works Director to solicit Bids for repair/replacement to three (3) City roofs; Councilor Dickison seconded the motion. **Ayes: Hatley, Dickison, Valerio and Snow. Absent: Linnet. Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with Linnet absent.**

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).

Dickison: Reported on her attendance at the Community Action Agency Food Give Away at the New Life Assembly Church on August 25th and stated that there would be no Senior Center Meeting tomorrow due to the fire. She will be attending the LAFCO Meeting tomorrow in Red Bluff and reported on her attendance at the Homeless Continuum Meeting held on September 7th in Red Bluff.

Linnet: Absent

Valerio: Stated that there will be a Chamber of Commerce Meeting next week.

Snow: Nothing

Hatley: Reported that he had a wonderful vacation.

N. ADJOURNMENT!: 7:08 p.m.

Lisa M. Linnet, City Clerk