

CITY OF VENTURA  
**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Mayor Erik Nasarenko**

**Neal Andrews, Deputy Mayor**  
**Cheryl Heitmann, Councilmember**  
**Matt LaVere, Councilmember**

**Jim Monahan, Councilmember**  
**Mike Tracy, Councilmember**  
**Christy Weir, Councilmember**

Mark D. Watkins, City Manager  
Gregory G. Diaz, City Attorney  
Antoinette M. Mann, City Clerk

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**MAY 15, 2017**

The San Buenaventura (Ventura) City Council met in regular session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 501 Poli Street, Ventura at 6:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmembers LaVere, Weir, Tracy, Heitmann, Monahan, Deputy Mayor Andrews and Mayor Nasarenko

Absent: None

Mayor Nasarenko presided.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

City Attorney Gregory G. Diaz led the pledge of allegiance.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Nasarenko presented a proclamation to Police Chief Ken Corney in recognition of National Police Week, May 11-17, 2017. The Mayor thanked the Ventura Police Department for their dedication and service to Ventura residents. Police Chief Corney thanked his staff for serving the residents with pride and courage.

Mayor Nasarenko recognized the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Police Activities League Golf Tournament to be held on June 2, 2017 and the benefits it will provide the Ventura School District for after school programs. Aera Energy's Representative Michele Newell presented a donation check to Police Activities League Board Member Gale Hartman and Police Chief Corney.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)**

Mayor Nasarenko presented a proclamation to the Automobile Club of Southern California, Ventura Branch, to recognize their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Branch Manager Val Ringor received the proclamation and highlighted the history of the AAA Ventura Branch.

Mayor Nasarenko introduced the Community Access Partnership video called Spotlight on Local Business. The local business Jilz Crackers was recognized. Jill and Ron Morris thanked the Mayor for the recognition.

**\*CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

City Attorney Gregory G. Diaz stated there was no reportable action.

**CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilmember Weir reported receiving the Southern California Association of Government's (SCAG) profile booklet on the City of Ventura and will be provided to all Councilmembers.

Councilmember Heitmann announced the Launch Party of the Ventura Community Partners Foundation, Aquatic Center at Ventura Community Park on May 17 at 5:30 p.m.; residents are encouraged to attend.

**CITY COUNCIL CONSENT ITEMS**

Councilmember Tracy pulled Agenda Item No. 3 for questions.

**1. Recent Decisions of the Design Review Committee (80)****INFORMATION ONLY**

Design Review May 3, 2017 Action: Denied

PROJ-7284 – Case No. DRC-6-14-22177

Formal Design Review consisting of remodeling an existing 2,772-square foot Fast Service Drive-Up Dining Establishment including additional landscaping and outdoor dining area on a 0.72 acre property located at 2427 East Thompson Boulevard; Carl's Jr., applicant; T4.5 zone.

City Council received the information.

**CITY COUNCIL CONSENT ITEMS (Continued)****2. Additional Resources for Building and Safety, First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement for Orion Structural Group, Inc. (50)**

Councilmember Monahan moved to approve the recommendation to:

Authorize the Mayor to execute Agreement No. 2017-025, the first amendment to Orion Structural Group, Inc. Professional Services Agreement dated October 10, 2016, adding \$20,000 for a new total contract amount of \$64,515; effective through June 30, 2018.

Councilmember Heitmann seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers LaVere, Weir, Tracy, Heitmann, Monahan, Deputy Mayor Andrews and Mayor Nasarenko  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

Mayor Nasarenko declared the motion carried.

**3. Professional Services Agreement for Third-Party Liability Claims Administration – George Hills Company (50)****SPEAKERS**

Presenters: Human Resources Director Elizabeth Foushee

Councilmember Monahan moved to approve the recommendation to:

- a. Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute Agreement No. 2017-026 for Third-Party Liability Claims Administration Services with George Hills Company in an amount not to exceed \$171,900 during the proposed three-year agreement from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020.
- b. Delegate to the City Manager or their designee the authority to extend the contract for up to two additional one-year terms in the sum of \$62,138 (2020-2021) and \$65,169 (2021-2022).

Councilmember Heitmann seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers LaVere, Weir, Tracy, Heitmann, Monahan, Deputy Mayor Andrews and Mayor Nasarenko  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

Mayor Nasarenko declared the motion carried.

**CITY COUNCIL CONSENT ITEMS (Continued)****4. Professional Services Agreement for Workers' Compensation Third-Party Claims Administration – Athens Administrators (50)**

Councilmember Monahan moved to approve the recommendation to:

Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute Agreement No. 2017-027 for Third-Party Workers' Compensation Claims Administration Services with Athens Administrators for an amount not to exceed \$616,473 during the proposed three-year agreement from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

Councilmember Heitmann seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers LaVere, Weir, Tracy, Heitmann, Monahan, Deputy Mayor Andrews and Mayor Nasarenko

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Mayor Nasarenko declared the motion carried.

**CITY COUNCIL FORMAL ITEMS****5. Drought and Water Shortage Update (123)****SPEAKERS**

Presenters: City Manager Mark D. Watkins, Acting Ventura Water General Manager Joe McDermott, Assistant City Attorney Miles Hogan and Management Analyst II Craig Jones.

7:07 p.m. Councilmember Tracy absent; 7:10 p.m. present.

Public: George Amandola

**DOCUMENTS**

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Councilmember Weir moved to approve the recommendation to:

- a. Receive the report and an oral update by staff on the drought and water shortage.
- b. Confirm that the City should remain in a Stage 3 Water Shortage Event based on current supply projections referenced in the 2017 Comprehensive Water Resources Report and triggers as described in the Water Shortage Event Contingency Plan.

**CITY COUNCIL FORMAL ITEMS (Continued)**

Deputy Mayor Andrews seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers LaVere, Weir, Tracy, Heitmann, Monahan, Deputy Mayor Andrews and Mayor Nasarenko  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

Mayor Nasarenko declared the motion carried.

6. **Approval to Invite Selected Respondents of the Request for Qualifications Process to Proceed with the Request for Proposal Process for the Approximately 9.68 Acre Vacant Property Adjacent to the Existing Ventura Veterans Home on Telephone Road, Ventura (86)**

7:13 p.m. Deputy Mayor Andrews and Councilmember LaVere absent; 7:15 p.m. Councilmember LaVere present; 7:17 p.m. Deputy Mayor Andrews present.

**SPEAKERS**

Presenters: Community Development Director Jeffrey Lambert, Dawn Dryer and Paul Sheehan from Dyer Sheehan Group.

Public: Karen Flock, Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura

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Councilmember Heitmann moved to approve the recommendation to:

- a. Approve the selection of respondents from the Request for Qualifications process to be invited to proceed with the Request for Proposal process for development of the approximately 9.68 acre vacant property located on Telephone Road adjacent to the existing Ventura Veterans Home, which was recently approved for early transfer from the State of California to the City of San Buenaventura.
- b. Authorize additional funding transferred from the General Fund Contingency account to Community Development in the amount of \$80,000 to fund the full Request for Qualifications/Request for Proposal process.

**CITY COUNCIL FORMAL ITEMS (Continued)**

- c. Authorize the City Manager to amend the existing contract with Dyer Sheehan Group to a not to exceed amount of \$125,000.
- d. The Mayor to appoint Council ad-hoc committee to work with staff and consultant on the RFP process.
- e. Audited financials from the submitters to be part of the RFP process.

Councilmember Weir seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers LaVere, Weir, Tracy, Heitmann, Monahan, Deputy Mayor Andrews and Mayor Nasarenko  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

Mayor Nasarenko declared the motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS/ REPORTS – REGIONAL BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES**

Councilmember Heitmann reported on her attendance at the Gold Coast Transit (GCT) groundbreaking for the new bus terminal and corporate office, construction estimated to be completed in 18 months.

**CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS**

City Manager Mark D. Watkins reported the Casitas Water Services Agreement was passed at the Casitas Board Meeting 5-0; today was a soft launch of the new City of Ventura website ([www.cityofventura.ca.gov](http://www.cityofventura.ca.gov)) which has a brand new look, thank you to Kelly Flanders for leading this project with City Departments; May 17 at 5:30 p.m. is the Ventura Community Partners Foundation Launch Party at the Ventura Aquatic Center, Community Park; Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) will be hosting an Earthquake seminar on June 14 for elected officials and city officials; and highlighted future City Council agenda items.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Nasarenko wished Deputy Mayor Andrews a happy birthday. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Antoinette M. Mann, MMC, CRM  
City Clerk

\*Items heard out of order

