



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SOLVANG CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers
1644 Oak Street
Solvang, Ca. 93463

August 10, 2009
7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Richardson, Council Members Duus, Jamieson, Palmer and Skytt

STAFF: Tully Clifford, Acting City Manager; Roy Hanley, City Attorney; Mary Ellen Rio, City Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Led by Council Member Jamieson.

CITY MANAGER'S STATUS REPORT

Informational report only.

1. **PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS - WRITTEN OR VERBAL**

None.

2. **COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REQUESTS**

Skytt

- ❖ Mentioned the passing of Lompoc's Mayor Dick DeWees, a loss to the community and the county of a fine gentleman

Palmer

- ❖ Echoed Council Member Skytt's comments about Mayor DeWees
- ❖ His Funeral was well attended and my heart goes out to his family
- ❖ He definitely will be missed and we will help in any way we can

Jamieson

- ❖ As the President of Allan Hancock Foundation wanted to invite everyone to the chamber mixer being held at the Hancock Campus on Alisal Road on Wednesday

Richardson

- ❖ Repeat everything previously said about Mayor DeWees, he was a smart, fun loving person and will truly be missed; will be hard footsteps to follow

3. JULY 27, 2009 CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Council Member Palmer noted that his vote was recorded incorrectly on Item 7.

Public Comment: None

Motion was made by Council Member Palmer, seconded by Council Member Skytt to approve the minutes with the correction as noted. **Motion carried** with a verbal response of 5 ayes.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda read by City Clerk.

- a. Approval of pre-issued warrants dated July 22, 27, and August 3, 2009
- b. Approval of warrant register dated August 10, 2009
- c. Approve letter of response to the Grand Jury and authorize Mayor to sign
- d. Approve bid award to Cannon Corporation for the Wastewater Treatment Plant SCADA upgrade project in the amount of \$95,600
- e. Adopt Identity Theft Protections per Federal Mandate
- f. Receive and file Santa Barbara County Fire Department Report for July 2009
- g. Teamsters Union Local 381:
 1. Approve agreement between Teamsters Union Local 381 and City of Solvang
 2. Approve amended Range Schedule effective June 30, 2010
 3. Approve the same negotiated benefits to the unrepresented Management Staff and City Manager positions
 4. Authorize staff to incorporate amendments to the employee handbook reflecting the same changes represented in the MOU

Mayor Richardson requested a change in **item 4g**, changing the MOU charitable organization listing for United Way of America to Northern Santa Barbara County United Way and United Way of Santa Barbara County. City Attorney responded that the MOU changes would require meet and confer and noting consensus of Council suggested possibly submitting a side letter for language change in a future year.

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Motion was made by Council Member Skytt, seconded by Council Member Jamieson to approve Consent agenda as presented. **Motion carried** with a roll call vote of 5 ayes.

PUBLIC HEARING

5. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mayor Richardson opened the Public Hearing at 7:12 p.m.

Staff report by Public Works Director

- ❖ Initial Capital Improvement Program was approved in 2006
- ❖ Provides framework for the City's budgetary needs
- ❖ Update provides an opportunity to approve cost increases and adjust priorities, as well as provide timelines for projects

Public Comment: None

Council Member Jamieson inquired about the order of the sewer and floor replacement projects at the Veteran's building, the bus shelters and about the fees for projects that in all reality will not happen. Council Member Duus asked how long the fees had been held.

Public Works Director responded that the floor replacement project at the veteran's building is a separate area from the sewer replacement, the bus shelters are two different projects, and informed Council he will get back to them with the length of time the fees have been held; he referred the question on use of mitigation traffic fees to the City Attorney.

City Attorney informed Council that there is somewhat of an ability to change projects for mitigation fees if appropriate findings can be made, however in some cases, these mitigation fees are given back.

Motion was made by Council Member Skytt, seconded by Council Member Duus to adopt Resolution No. 09-____, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Solvang approving the updated Ten Year Capital Improvement Program. **Motion carried** with a roll call vote of 5 ayes.

Public Hearing was closed at 7:23 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

6. WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Staff report by Public Works Director

- ❖ Public Works is initiating a water awareness/management program
- ❖ Offering common sense tips for avoiding unnecessary usage
- ❖ Water Supervisor is passionate about water conservation
- ❖ Will be randomly selecting some homes and businesses to compare current usage with prior years

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- ❖ Will also select some high usage customers to see how we can help them be more conservative
- ❖ Depending on the water situation with the state, we might actually conduct a conservation program at a later date

Council Members discussed the importance of the water awareness but did not see a need at this time for a water conservation program stating most residents of Solvang are pretty careful with their usage.

Public Comment:

Nancy Emerson

- ❖ Read a letter from Women's Environmental Watch who is pleased to see the City embarking on the water awareness campaign
- ❖ Offered 5 suggestions for the awareness campaign

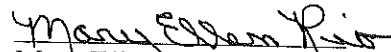
Council Member Palmer recommended viewing the Department of Water Resources website which offers a lot of good drought information.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Oral reports)

▪ SBCAG report

Council Member Skytt reported that the North County Regional subcommittee of SBCAG met and received a report from the professional consultants working on the Measure A funding expenditures. They also made selections of representatives to serve on the Measure A Citizens Advisory Committee and will be forwarding those names to the SBCAG Board

8. ADJOURNMENT Mayor Richardson adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.


Mary Ellen Rio, City Clerk