

CITY OF BRAWLEY
January 17, 2017

The City Council of the City of Brawley, California met in a regular session at 6:00 PM, Council Chambers, 383 Main, Brawley, California, the date, time and place duly established for the holding of said meeting. The City Clerk attests to the posting of the agenda pursuant to G.C. §54954.2.

The meeting was called to order by **Mayor Couchman @ 6:00 PM**

PRESENT: Couchman, Kastner-Jauregui, Nava, Noriega, Wharton
ABSENT: None

Invocation was offered by **Pastor Tom Charlton, Full Gospel Church**

Pledge of Allegiance was led by **CM Wharton**

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was **approved** as submitted. m/s/c Nava/Kastner-Jauregui 5-0

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS

- a. **Shirley Bonillas, Personnel & Risk Management Administrator**, introduced Gustavo Rodriquez, newly Promoted Chief Operator of the City of Brawley Wastewater Treatment Plant and Alfredo Navarro, Parks Maintenance Worker.
- b. **Ryan Kelley, County Board of Supervisor District #4**, updated the City Council on County Employees working in Brawley.

3. CONSENT AGENDA Items are approved by one motion. Council Members or members of the public may request consent items be considered separately at a time determined by the Mayor.

The consent agenda was **approved** as submitted. m/s/c Wharton/Noriega 5-0

AYES: Couchman, Kastner-Jauregui, Nava, Noriega, Wharton
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

- a. **Approved** Accounts Payable: December 16, 2016
December 21, 2016
December 22, 2016
January 5, 2016
January 6, 2017
- b. **Approved** City Council Minutes: December 1, 2016

- c. **Adopted** Resolution No. 2017-01: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Acting in Its Capacity as the Successor Agency for the Brawley Community Redevelopment Agency Approving the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for the Period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and approving certain related actions.
- d. **Approved** Action to Authorize the Purchase of a Raw Water Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) from Stoffel Electric for an Amount Not to Exceed \$21,856.01.
- e. **Adopted** Resolution No. 2017-02: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California in the Amount of \$5,000 for the Fiscal Year 2016/17 City Manager Professional Services Budget.
- f. **Adopted** Resolution No. 2017-03: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California in the Amount of \$10,000 for the Fiscal Year 2016/17 City Council Contributions Budget.

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and Potential Action to Award Project No. 2016-04 South Palm Avenue Asphalt Rehabilitation Project to Hazard Construction Company in the Amount of \$590,600.

The City Council **approved** the Award of Project No. 2016-04 South Palm Avenue Asphalt Rehabilitation Project to Hazard Construction Company in the Amount of \$590,600. m/s/c Noriega/Kastner-Jauregui 5-0

- b. Discussion and Potential Action to Authorize Resolution No. 2017-04: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Authorizing Staff and Consultants to Prepare Necessary Documentation and to File a Validation Action to Refinance the Outstanding Pension Obligations of the City to the California Public Employees Retirement System.

Staff Report – Ruby Walla, Finance Director/City Treasurer

The CalPERS Side Fund was originally established following the City of Brawley’s 2003 CalPERS Actual Variation. At the time, the City of Brawley joined in a risk pool in which the unfunded pension benefits were deemed a liability. The liability was the basis for creation of the Side Fund. The Side Fund, in essence, amortized the City’s unfunded pension liability over time and set contributions based on an original term of 10 years.

The proposed action is required in order to deem the bonds as refunding bonds. The process takes approximately 120 days and would be primarily shepherded by Bond Counsel. In order to begin the process, an executed agreement between the City of Brawley and Bond Counsel is necessary. Following the authorization engagement of Bond Counsel, the Underwriter and Financial Advisor, bond closing is anticipated by June 15, 2017 in time to realize savings for next fiscal year.

The City Council **adopted** Resolution No. 2017-04: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Authorizing Staff and Consultants to Prepare Necessary Documentation and to file a Validation Action to Refinance the Outstanding Pension Obligations of the City to the California Public Employees Retirement System. m/s/c Wharton/Noriega 5-0

- c. Discussion and Potential Action re: Mayoral Appointments to City Council Members to Boards, Commissions and Committees.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS TO

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES WITH COUNCIL REPRESENTATION

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	<u>DELEGATE</u>	<u>ALTERNATE</u>
<u>Brawley Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors</u>	Couchman	Noriega
<u>Imperial County Air Pollution District Board of Directors</u>	Couchman	Kastner-Jauregui
<u>Imperial County Emergency Food & Shelter Program (EFSP)</u>	Kastner-Jauregui	Noriega
<u>Imperial County Film Commission</u>	Nava	Noriega
<u>Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC)</u>	Nava	Wharton
<u>Imperial County Local Transportation Authority (LTA)</u>	Nava	Wharton
<u>Imperial County Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies (SAFE)</u>	Nava	Wharton
<u>League of California Cities</u>	Wharton	Kastner-Jauregui
<u>North County Coalition of the Arts (NOCCA)</u>	Noriega	Nava
<u>Imperial County Community & Economic Development</u>	Couchman	Nava
<u>Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Joint Powers Authority (AVAJPA)</u>	Soto	Gaste
<u>California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA)</u>	Nava	Noriega
<u>Southern California Assn. of Governments (SCAG)</u>	Nava	Wharton
<u>General Assembly Delegate</u>		
<u>Association of California Cities Allied with Prisons (ACCAP)</u>	Noriega	Nava

CITY COUNCIL APPOINTED BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

	<u>LIAISON</u>	<u>ALTERNATE</u>
<u>Airport Advisory Commission</u>	Wharton	Couchman
<u>Imperial Valley Housing Authority</u>	Kastner-Jauregui	Noriega
<u>Library Board of Trustees</u>	Noriega	Couchman
<u>Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission/Youth Commission</u>	Noriega	Kastner-Jauregui
<u>Planning Commission</u>	Noriega	Kastner-Jauregui

With the **consensus** of all Council Members, the appointments remained the same as last year.

5. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

- a. 2017 Farmers Market Series – Pat Dorsey, Parks & Recreation Director

6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Attendance Summary & Minutes for City of Brawley Boards/Commissions from July 1 thru December 31, 2016.
 - 1) Brawley Airport Advisory Commission
 - 2) Brawley Business Advisory Committee
 - 3) Brawley Oversight Board-Successor Agency to the Brawley RDA
 - 4) Brawley Parks & Recreation Commission
 - 5) Brawley Planning Committee
 - 6) Brawley Public Library Board of Trustees
- b. Summary of Building Permits for November 2016 – Francisco Soto, Building Official

7. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

- CM Noriega** Attended Living Tree Event, MAG Coalition, Chamber Mixer at MVP & Associates, La Fresa and State Farm.
- CM Kastner-Jauregui** Attended Living Tree, Chamber Block Mixer, Martin Luther King Celebration where Katy Santillan and Luis Olmedo were honored and Senior Center meeting.
- CM Wharton** Enjoyed the holidays with family, attended Business Expo, Aviation Day in Imperial where the airplane rides were rescheduled due to the weather, and the Airport Advisory Commission Meeting at which improvements to the airport, specifically Executive Hangars, were discussed.
- CM Nava** Wished everyone a happy New Year to everyone. Attended COLAB meeting and met with Luis Plancarte, met with Erik Ortega, IID District #4. An economic development roundtable is scheduled for later in the week. Thanked staff for their hard work.
- Mayor Couchman** Attended Living Tree Event, Chamber Mixer, Civil War re-enactment canceled due to rain. Looking forward to the upcoming retirement parties for Agt. Valdez, Sgt. Monita and Eddie Sanchez.

8. CITY MANAGER REPORT

- 1) Alyce Gereaux Park is moving forward.
- 2) California Regional Water Quality Control Board will hold a meeting in City Council Chambers on Thursday, January 19, 2017.
- 3) With regard to 1st Street Improvements from Main to A Streets, address of dim lighting in the area is in discussion with IID.

9. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT None to report

10. CITY CLERK REPORT None to report

11. CLOSED SESSION

POTENTIAL LITIGATION

- a. Conference with Legal Counsel Potential Litigation – Three (3) Cases (California Government Code §54956.9)
- b. Joint Powers Authority (JPA) for Insurance Claims Discussions

The Legislative Body, as a Member of a Joint Powers Authority formed for purposes of insurance pooling pursuant to G.C. Section 6500 et seq., will meet in closed session to discuss claims for the payment of tort liability losses, public liability losses, or workers' compensation liability incurred by the Joint Powers Agency or a Local Agency Member of the Authority. There are twenty-three (23) Potential Claims (G.C. 54956.9)

REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS

- a. Conference with Real Property Negotiator – (California Government Code §54956.8)
Address: APN 049-023-007-000, 129, 135, 137, 139 and 141 South 8th Street, Brawley, CA
Negotiator: City Manager/City Attorney
Negotiating Parties: County of Imperial
Under Negotiation: Rate and Terms

ADJOURNMENT @ 6:48pm

Alma Benavides, City Clerk