

**CITY OF BRAWLEY
December 18, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Brawley, California met in a regular meeting 6:00 PM, City 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 Wharton @ 6:00 PM**

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

Invocation was offered by **CM Hamby**

Pledge of Allegiance was led by **CM Kastner-Jauregui**

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS

a. **Jay Goyal, Brawley resident**, commented on the existing condition of City tennis courts for use. He also noted that there is no place for pickle ball to be played. He suggested that the City should do something about this situation. The Lions Center can be used for up to eight courts

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 Nava/Kastner-Jauregui 5-0

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

- a. Approve Accounts Payable: December 7, 2018
- b. Approve City Council Minutes: November 20, 2018
- c. Approve Resolution No. 2018-57: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Revising of the "Opt-Out" Provision for Management, Confidential and Unrepresented Employees.

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

- a. Reviewed the Solid Waste Rate Adjustment as Provided in Section 7.3 & 7.5 of the Solid Waste, Disposal and Recycling Franchise Agreement between the City of Brawley and Republic Services.
- b. Discussion and Potential Action to Authorize the U. S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to Provide a Commissioning Flight Inspection of the PAPIs (Precision Approach Path Indicator), and REILs (Runway Ends Identification Lights) at the Brawley Municipal Airport to Certify Project Completion in the Amount of \$18,752.58 which is 100% FAA Grant Reimbursable.

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5. DEPARTMENTAL REPORT None to report

6. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Hamby: Attended Planning Commission, PureGro Meeting, CVB Mixer. Met with Katie Luna from the Chamber and Sylvia Castaneda from Sylvia's Little Treasures. She is interested in reviving the Downtown Merchants Association. Received a call from Johnny Samples and he is excited for what is coming in 2019 and hopeful for some volunteer projects. Expressed interest in a fast-track program for volunteer projects with some type of a checklist of what a volunteer group needs to bring to the City so that their project can be pushed through quickly. Guidelines need to be put in place if they are not already. Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Couchman: Attended PureGro and Library Board Meetings and Tree Lighting Ceremony. Thanked Mr. & Mrs. Claus. Attended CVB Mixer, Pilot Travel Center and Mt. Signal Solar Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies and met with three groups from Brawley Union High School.

Nava: Attended PureGro meeting, ICTC and Board of Realtors Meetings, CVB Mixer, Tree Lighting Ceremony, Angel Tea Party, Pilot Travel Center Ribbon Cutting, Career Day at Barbara Worth Junior High School and met with community members.

Kastner-Jauregui: Attended PureGro meeting, Tree Lighting Ceremony, Angel Tea Party, CVB Mixer, Mt. Signal 8 Minute Solar Ribbon Cutting along with City Manager, interviewed by four Brawley Union High School students. Attended Chabela's Bike Fundraiser, met with CM Hamby, Sylvia Castaneda and Katie Luna from Chamber regarding downtown. They are trying to improve the downtown. Attended Grand Re-Opening of Sylvia's Little Treasures and looks forward to participating in some of CM Nava's video segments with local businesses.

Wharton: It is a busy time of year and all of the City Council is individually out there covering a lot of different events that occur this time of year. CM Kastner-Jauregui mentioned just the social media posting of videos. It is an example of what the Council as a whole has been talking about. It allows the City to get out there and communicate. The public thirsts for this kind of content and information about what's going on in their city.

Attended Pilot Travel Center grand opening. Participated in the Ironman in Indian Wells on Sunday. Attended Tree Lighting Ceremony, Angel Tea Party, PureGro Meeting, CVB Mixer. Has been asked to be part of the 5150 Ad-Hoc Committee with the County. Met with the Chamber for 2019 events, specifically for the Mayor's Address coming up very soon. Met with staff to assemble information to determine the feasibility and potential impacts of Brawley's own mini triathlon. Expect to report back in the near future. Held three interviews with Brawley Union High School students and actually had some very tough questions. Wished everyone an enjoyable, peaceful Christmas and the rest of the holiday season with your families.

7. CITY MANAGER REPORT

- a. The roadway work underway on Main Street /HWY 86 is in Caltrans right-of-way. The City is working with Caltrans to communicate the schedule to Brawley residents. The roadway work extends from Main Street at Las Flores to the east to the intersection of 1st and Brawley Avenue. It also includes the leg of Main Street / HWY 86 and 1st / Brawley Ave. to the south to I Street. The paving work will continue through December 24. Work will then be done within that segment to restore the loops that have an effect on the timing of the traffic signals. Striping in that section will follow. The City has fielded calls from concerned residents regarding roadway conditions and large holes. The project experienced some minor delays as a result of the rain.
- b. The City is awaiting a summary report from the Center for Creative Land Recycling on the information collected at the workshop.
- c. In the next two weeks, an update will be available regarding the completion of Taco Bell.

8. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT None to report

10. CITY CLERK REPORT

- a. Last year’s Mayoral Appointments will be distributed to the City Council. New appointments will be on the January 15, 2019 agenda.

11. CLOSED SESSION

- a. EXISTING LITIGATION
(C.G.C. Section §54956.9)
Conference with Legal Counsel – One (1) Case

Maria Garcia vs. City of Brawley
- b. POTENTIAL LITIGATION
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12. ADJOURNMENT @ 6:46pm

Alma Benavides, City Clerk