

CITY OF BRAWLEY
January 5, 2021

The City Council of the City of Brawley, California met in regular session at 6:00 PM, City Council Chambers, 383 Main Street, 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.

Mayor Hamby called meeting to order @ 6:03 PM

PRESENT: Couchman, Hamby, Nava, Castro, Wharton
ABSENT: None

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS (Not to exceed 4 minutes) this is the time for the public to address the Council on any item not appearing on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council.

To maintain social distancing, in person attendance is strongly discouraged. Should a member of the public wish to provide public comments, please submit written comments via email to abenavides@brawley-ca.gov or contact the City Clerk's Office at 760/351.3080. The deadline to submit written comments is 2pm January 5, 2021.

State of California Governor Gavin Newsom waived specific portions of the Brown Act by Executive Order for the period that social distancing measures are recommended and required by state and local public health officials. The waiver of Brown Act provisions requires:

- a. Members of the public are allowed to observe and address public meetings telephonically or through other electronic means.
- b. Procedures "swiftly" accommodate any reasonable request to accommodate access by disabled individuals to meetings that are accessible telephonically or through other electronic means in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA").
- c. Notice of the procedure is provided for making requests for such reasonable accommodation with the notice for any public meeting.
- d. Katie Luna , Ron Gray, Mark Sanchez and Patrick Lauterio

Information regarding all Public Comments available on the City of Brawley's website:

http://brawley.thepublicspectrum.org/view_video.php?meeting=210&video=Mgl6tGVlxKk&yt=1

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 Couchman/Castro 5-0

AYES: Castro, Couchman, Hamby, Nava, Wharton
NAYES: None

ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

- a. **Approved** Accounts Payable: December 17, 2020
- b. **Approved** City Council Minutes: December 15, 2020
- c. **Approved** Consulting Services Contract Geotechnical and Materials Testing Services for Re-Advertisement of Wildcat Drive Improvements Project to Landmark Consultants, Inc. in the amount of \$21,230.00.

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

- a. Update on City of Brawley Declaration of Local Emergency as a Result of COVID-19 Pandemic
 - i. Overall Outlook Presented by Fire Chief Mike York
- b. Discussion and Potential Action re: Mayoral Appointment of City Council Members to Boards, Commissions and Committees for 2021.

**MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS TO
 BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES WITH COUNCIL REPRESENTATION
 January 05, 2021**

<u>Boards/Commissions/Committees</u>	<u>Delegate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Brawley Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors	Hamby	Castro
Imperial County Air Pollution District Board of Directors	Couchman	Castro
Imperial County Emergency Food & Shelter Program (EFSP)	Castro	Wharton
Imperial County Film Commission	Castro	Hamby
Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC)	Nava	Wharton
Imperial County Local Transportation Authority (LTA)	Nava	Wharton
Imperial County Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies (SAFE)	Nava	Wharton
League of California Cities	Wharton	Castro
North County Coalition of the Arts (NOCCA)	Couchman	Hamby
Imperial County Community & Economic Development	Couchman	Nava
Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Joint Powers Authority (AVAJPA)	Gaste	Escalante
California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA)	Nava	Wharton
Southern California Assn. of Governments (SCAG) General Assembly Delegate	Nava	Wharton
Association of California Cities Allied with Prisons (ACCAP)	Nava	Castro
Airport Advisory Commission	Wharton	Couchman
Imperial Valley Housing Authority	Castro	Wharton
Library Board of Trustees	Hamby	Couchman
Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission/Youth Commission	Hamby	Castro
Planning Commission	Hamby	Castro

- c. Discussion and Potential Action to Approve 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2021- : Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California, Establishing City Policy Concerning Sidewalks, Sidewalk Right of Way, and Alleys presented by William Smerdon, City Attorney.

The City Council **approved** 1st Reading and Introduction of Ordinance No. 2021-01: Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California, Establishing City Policy Concerning Sidewalks, Sidewalk Right of Way, and Alleys. m/s/c Couchman/Wharton 5-0

- d. Discussion and Potential Action to Approve 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2021- : Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California, Adopting a Formal Personnel System presented by Shirley Bonillas, Personnel & Risk Management Administrator.

The City Council **approved** 1st Reading and Introduction of Ordinance No. 2021-02: Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California, Adopting a Formal Personnel System. m/s/c Nava/Castro 5-0

- e. Discussion and Potential Action to Adopt Resolution No. 2021- : Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California, To Comply with CalPERS Exception to the 180-Day Wait Period GC Sections 7522.56 & 21224(h) presented by Shirley Bonillas, Personnel & Risk Management Administrator.

The City Council **approved** Resolution No. 2021-01: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, to California Government Code §Sections 7522.56 & 21224(h). m/s/c Couchman/Nava 5-0

- f. Discussion and Potential Action to Approve 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2021- : Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California, Establishing the Installation of Stop Signs at the Intersections of First Street and Emma Place; and First Street and Lena Place presented by Brett Houser, Police Commander.

The City Council **approved** 1st Reading and Introduction of Ordinance No. 2021-03: O Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California, Establishing the Installation of Stop Signs at the Intersections of First Street and Emma Place; and First Street and Lena Place. m/s/c Nava/Couchman 5-0

- g. Discussion and Potential Action to Adopt Resolution No. 2021- : Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Adopting Findings of Fact and Decision Regarding Appeal of CUP.

The City Council **approved** Resolution No. 2021-02: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Adopting Findings of Fact and Decision Regarding Appeal of CUP. m/s/c Couchman/Hamby 3-2 Nava/Wharton Naye

Discussion and information regarding all City Council Action items available on the City of Brawley's website:

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6. INFORMATIONAL ITEM

- a. Record of Building Permits for November 2020 in the City of Brawley, Prepared by Oscar Escalante, Interim Building Official.

Information regarding the update available on the City of Brawley's website:

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7. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

- a. Monthly Staffing Report for January 2021, Prepared by Personnel & Risk Management Administrator Shirley Bonillas.
- b. Update on Emergency Construction Project at the Brawley Water Treatment Plant to Replace Components of Two Sedimentation Basins Presented by Public Works Director Guillermo Sillas, PE.
- c. Update on Emergency Construction Project at the Brawley Water Treatment Plant to do the Distribution

Pumps Electrical Separation of Old Electrical System from the New One.

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8. CITY COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

City Council Member Reports are available on the City of Brawley's website:

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9. CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Report is available on the City of Brawley's website:

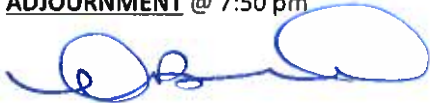
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10. CITY ATTORNEY Nothing to report.

11. CITY CLERK Nothing to report.

12. CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT @ 7:50 pm



Alma Benavides, City Clerk