

**CITY OF BRAWLEY  
November 15, 2016**

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 Wharton @ 6:00 PM**

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

Invocation was offered by **Joey Mara, Victory Outreach**

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

**1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

**2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS**

- a. **Katie Luna, Executive Director for Brawley Chamber of Commerce**, thanked City Council members and the city staff for participation in Cattle Call events and announced the upcoming ribbon cutting for Fat Boys catering.
- b. The following individuals provided public comments in support of the approval of One World Beef's Business License:

-Eric Brandt, Brawley  
-Mike Dornan, Brawley  
-Ron Fickler, Brawley  
-Bill Brandt, Brawley  
-Paul Cameron, Brawley  
-Steve Snow, Brawley  
-Robin Edgar, Brawley  
-Charlie Mendez, Brawley  
-Stephen Benson, Brawley  
-Jimmy Garcia, Heber

-Agnes Brown, Holtville  
-Jennifer de la Rosa  
-Darla Schmidt, Brawley  
-Martin Castro, Heber  
-David Castro, Brawley  
-Tim Kelley, Brawley  
-Jose Lara  
-Laura Figueroa, 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 Noriega/Couchman 5-0

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

- a. **Approved** Accounts Payable: October 27, 2016  
October 28, 2016  
November 3, 2016
- b. **Approved** City Council Minutes: September 6, 2016  
September 20, 2016  
October 3, 2016  
October 18, 2016

**4. REGULAR BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion and Potential Action to Approve Resolution No. 2016-: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California to Comply with CalPERS Exception to the 180-Day Wait Period and Appointment of Retired Annuitant Mike Crankshaw to the position of Interim Police Chief.

**Staff Report** – Shirley Bonillas, Personnel & Risk Management Administrator

The City Council **approved** Resolution No. 2016-47: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California to Comply with CalPERS Exception to the 180-Day Wait Period and Appointment of Retired Annuitant Michael Crankshaw to the position of Interim Police Chief. m/s/c Noriega/Couchman 5-0

- b. Discussion and Potential Action to Co-Sponsor the “Consulado Movil Event” to be held on Saturday, November 19, 2016 from 9am-4pm at Del Rio Branch Library.

**Staff Report** – Rosanna Bayon Moore, City Manager

**CM Moore** provided background information and CM Noriega provided that she first announced this potential joint event during the “2016 Mariachi Night” and received a lot of positive feedback from the community.

The City Council **approved** the “Co-Sponsorship” of this event which includes waiver of event insurance. m/s/c Nava/Noriega 5-0

**5. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

- a. Marjo Mello, Library Director re: Angel Tea on December 1, 2016
- b. Police Chief Crankshaw re: Passage of Proposition 64

**Police Chief Crankshaw** informed Council, Staff and Citizens of Brawley regarding the implementation of Proposition 64. The Proposition became effective immediately as of November 9, 2016. Police Chief Crankshaw highlighted the key points and components of Proposition 64. The City Council requested that presentation content, specifically frequently questions and answers, be posted on the City website as many members of the public are interested and have questions

- c. Finance Director Ruby Walla re: Six Month Review of Proposition 218 Rates for Water and Sewer

**Finance Director Walla** informed the City Council of the City’s transition into the new water rate structure which was implemented. As the City tracks and measures consumption, the water enterprise revenue stream appears to be underperforming. However, in looking at the first quarter of the current fiscal year, the fund is doing better

than projected when compared to the same quarter last fiscal year. Wastewater is on-track and is slightly performing better than anticipated. Considering all items, preliminary balances for both funds are projected to meet debt service ratio coverages.

d. Pat Dorsey, Parks and Recreation Director re: Thanksgiving Dinner

**P&RD Dorsey** announced the free Thanksgiving Dinner to be held at the Lions Center on November 24, 2016 from 11am – 1pm, as well as free meals being offered all day on the 23<sup>rd</sup> at Kotori Restaurant.

## **6. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

**Noriega:** Announced that Eddie Sanchez will be retiring after 32 years of Service to the City of Brawley. He will be honored at the December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Kastner-Jauregui:** Attended the Chili Cook-Off, Veterans Day Event, Cattle Call Parade, Rodeo and Mixer. Thanked all who participated in making the Cattle Call Week a success.

**Nava:** Attended the Cpt. Scott Pace Park dedication, thanked the Brawley Chamber of Commerce and City Staff for their hard work. Attended all of the Cattle Call events.

**Couchman:** Attended Cpt. Scott Pace Park dedication, Mr. Flores Brawley Union High School Civics Award Ceremony and thanked everyone who was involved with the Cattle Call.

**Wharton:** Thanked and commended everyone who participated in making Cattle Call happen this year. Expressed how special this year's Cattle Call was because he had the honor of serving as Mayor which gave him the opportunity to experience events in a different way. Shared his gratitude for the citizens of Brawley and City Staff who assisted during his term as Mayor.

**7. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT** None to report

## **8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

1. Informed the City Council that the City will be working on and delivering special thank you correspondence to all the entities who participated during the Cattle Call Week.
2. Reported that long time employees Eddie Sanchez and Arnold Valdez will both be retiring from City of Brawley and the plan is to honor both of them at a future City Council meeting.
3. Re-organization Meeting will be a Special Meeting which will take place on December 1, 2016 at the Brawley Public Library starting at 4:30pm followed by the Angel Tea Party.

**9. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT** None to report

**10. CITY CLERK'S REPORT** None to report

**11. CLOSED SESSION**

ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

- a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Initiation of Litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code §54956.9. There is one (1) potential case.

12. RECONVENED TO OPEN SESSION

**CA Smerdon** reported that by a motion of the City Council, staff was directed to conduct a final inspection of the One World Beef (OWB) facility at 57 Shank Road in Brawley, CA. m/s/c Noriega/Kastner-Jauregui, 5-0

Provided that all outstanding matters are addressed, with the exception of a wastewater solution, a temporary Business License and temporary Certificate of Occupancy (COO) shall be issued to One World Beef with three conditions:

- 1) The temporary Business License and COO shall expire on their own terms as of January 31, 2017 if a discharge permit is not issued by the Regional Water Quality Control Board by that date.
- 2) Within thirty days of issuance, OWB shall utilize a California licensed engineer to characterize anticipated industrial wastewater and submit an odor mitigation plan to the City's satisfaction.
- 3) Should the Business License and COO expire, OWB shall be responsible for removal of wastewater stored in onsite ponds within thirty days of expiration.

ADJOURNMENT @ 7:45pm

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**Lorena Savala**, Deputy City Clerk