

CITY OF BRAWLEY
February 3, 2015

The City Council of the City of Brawley, California met in a regular session at 6:00 PM, 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.

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

PRESENT: Campbell, Couchman, Nava, Noriega Wharton
ABSENT: None

The invocation was offered by **Pastor Mike Necuik, El Redentor Church**

The pledge of allegiance was led by **CM Noriega**

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was **approved** as submitted. Noriega/Wharton 5-0

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

- a. **Jason Zara**, Brawley Chamber of Commerce Executive Director commented on the upcoming Farmer's Market scheduled for February 14, 2015 and input on the future of the Cattle Call Queen's Contest.
- b. **Ruben Gonzales**, resident of Brawley stated that his wallet was stolen while visiting the Brawley Public Library.
- c. **Ryan Kelley**, County Board of Supervisor District #4 invited everyone to the State of the County to be held on Thursday, February 12, 2015 starting at 6pm Brawley Elks Lodge, the last Solar Project that will be between 1,400 – 1,00 acres for this year, IID will pay the County over the Quantification Settlement Agreement officially ending all litigation.
- d. **Mayor Nava** presented a Proclamation to Edward Swanegan, Job Development Specialist declaring February 7th-14th, 2015, National Marriage Week in the City of Brawley.

Mr. Swanegan invited everyone to their upcoming events National Marriage Week Community Event on Thursday, February 12, 2015 from 4:30-7:00pm to be held at the Ramada in Bucklin Park, El Centro and the Dancing with the Stars Gala May 1, 2015 to be held at the Barbara Worth County Club starting at 6pm.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

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

AYES: Campbell, Couchman, Nava, Noriega, Wharton
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

- a. **Approve** Accounts Payable: January 16, 2015, January 22, 2015 and January 23, 2015.
- b. **Approve** City Council Minutes: January 20, 2015.
- c. **Approve** Resolution No. 2015-03: 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 through December 2015 & Approving Certain Related Actions.
- f. **Approve** Travel of Equipment Mechanic to attend the Fire Mechanics Academy in Sacramento, California from March 22, 2015 through March 27, 2015.

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and Potential Action re: Sponsorship Request for Imperial Valley Press Valley Challenge.

The City Council **approved** Sponsorship Request for Imperial Valley Press Valley Challenge for \$1,000. m/s/c Wharton/Campbell 5-0

- b. Discussion and Potential Action to Approve 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2015-01: Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Amending Ordinance No. 2012-03 regarding the Sale of Safe and Sane Fireworks within the City of Brawley for any bona fide organization officially sanctioned by the Brawley Elementary School District and Brawley Union High School Districts.

The City Council **approved** the 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2015-01: Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Amending Ordinance No. 2012-03 regarding the Sale of Safe and Sane Fireworks within the City of Brawley for any bona fide organization officially sanctioned by the Brawley Elementary School District and Brawley Union High School Districts. m/s/c Campbell/Wharton 5-0

- c. Discussion and Potential Action re: Imperial County Sherriff's Office Squadron Request to Provide Reduced Rental Rate for Office Space at the Brawley Municipal Airport.

The City Council **approved** Imperial County Sherriff's Office Squadron Request to Provide Reduced Rental Rate for Office Space at the Brawley Municipal Airport for \$1.00 a year. m/s/c Nava/Wharton 5-

- d. Discussion and Direction re: a Future Amendment to the City of Brawley Downtown Specific Plan (PD12-01) for Sidewalk Sales.

The City Council **approved** the Amendment to the City of Brawley Downtown Specific Plan (PD12-01) for Sidewalk Sales for a twelve month trial period and work with the Brawley Chamber of Commerce to develop a standardized approach.

- e. Discussion and Potential Action to Approve 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2015-02: Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California amending Ordinance No. 2008-04 Amending the City of Brawley Zoning Ordinance for Fences, Walls and Hedges, Landscaping and Paving.

The City Council **approved** the 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2015-02: Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Amending Ordinance No. 2008-04 amending the City of Brawley Zoning Ordinance for Fences, Walls and Hedges, Landscaping and Paving. m/s/c Nava/Noriega 5-0

- f. Discussion and Potential Action to Authorize Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2014-16 La Paloma Subdivision Street Improvements Phase I in the amount of \$23,178.50.

The City Council **approved** Authorize Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2014-16 La Paloma Subdivision Street Improvements Phase I in the amount of \$23,178.50. m/s/c Nava/Campbell 5-0

- g. Discussion and Potential Action re: the Establishment of Public Meeting Schedule for FY 2015/16 City of Brawley Budget Process.

The City Council **tabled** this item to a later date.

- h. Discussion and Potential Action re: Date for Ralph M. Brown Act Training.

The City Attorney **advised** City Council that the Imperial Irrigation District will host training on March 3, 2015 from 8am – 12pm at the William R. Condit Auditorium, 1285 Broadway, in El Centro. He will confirm date and time and that we are welcome to attend then.

5. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

- a. **Ruby Walla**, Finance Director re: Power Point Presentation 2014/2015 Mid-Year Budget Review.
- b. **Shirley Bonillas**, Personnel & Risk Administrator re: Monthly Staff Report for February, 2015.
- c. **Brett Houser**, BPD Commander re: Spillman Power Point Presentation.

6. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

7. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Noriega: Attended NoCCA Meeting, and American Legion Bike run.

Couchman: Attended Overall Economic Development Commission Meeting, Brawley Chamber of Board Meeting, United Way Night at the Races. Just to mention that a lot of elder people have passed and I would like to thank staff and appreciate all that they do.

Campbell: Attended Imperial County Transportation Commission Meeting and would like to thank staff.

Wharton: Met with Industry Leaders thru Imperial Valley Economic Development Commission.

Nava: Met with Director of Caltrans about Hovely Road, Attended Imperial County Transportation Commission Meeting, League of California Cities League Dinner at Crumbs Pizzeria, IVEDC Call Center Mixer in El Centro, State of the Address for the City

of El Centro, proposing a Paint Out Day sometime in March or April and the Town Hall Meeting hoping for March 19, 2015 after we receive confirmation from our dignitaries.

8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- a. Update on Cost Sharing with various institutional stakeholders that utilize Lion's Center Pool.
- b. Had the Housing and Community Workshop at the Emergency Operations Conference Room today great interest for the Brawley Theatre and Downtown.
- c. On February 12, 2015 the Imperial Valley Housing Authority will hold a meeting re: Multi-Family Housing behind Witter School, Senior Housing South of Family Dollar.
- d. Next meeting we will have the Water and Sewer Rate Study, Imperial Valley Housing Authority, and Florentine Development Impact Fees.
- e. Write Letter of support for Air Service in Imperial County.
- f. Brawley Downtown Merchants invitation to beautify the downtown area.

9. TREASURER'S REPORT None to report

10. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

- a. 279 J Street and Tangerine Gardens are still pending items.

11. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

- a. Reminder of Hidalgo Society Installation of Officers.

12. 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 are two (2) potential cases.

ADJOURNMENT @ 8:45 PM

Alma Benavides, City Clerk