

**CITY OF BRAWLEY**  
**November 18, 2014**

The City Council of the City of Brawley, California met in a regular session @ 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 Campbell** @ 6:01 PM

**PRESENT:** Campbell, Couchman, Nava, Wharton  
**ABSENT:** Noriega

The invocation was offered by **Mayor Campbell**

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

**1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was **approved** as submitted. m/s/c Nava/Wharton 4-0 Noriega absent

**2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES**

- a. **Darren Smith**, Brawley Chamber of Commerce President commented on a great Cattle Call Week.
- b. **Daniel Schleyer**, Brawley Police Officers Association President reminded everyone of the upcoming Toy Drive that will take on November 22, 2014 from 10am – 2pm at the Walmart Parking Lot.
- c. **Tim Kelley**, Imperial Valley Economic Development Commission President mentioned about their Annual Dinner on November 20, 2014 at the Stockmen’s Club and the Brawley Community Foundation and NoCCA continue to work together re: the Old Brawley Theatre.
- d. **Sean Wilcox**, Imperial Valley Economic Development Commission Vice President of Business Services introduced Dr. Rajesh Nellore, Chief Executive of Infratech Industries, Inc which presented a power point to the City Council re: Floating Solar Presentation I Proposal I 2014.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

The consent agenda was **approved** as submitted. m/s/c Wharton/Campbell 4-0 Noriega absent

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

- a. Approve Accounts Payable: October 31, 2014  
November 6, 2014

- b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 2014-08: Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Amending the Rates for Water Service and Conditions for Delivery, Providing Penalties for Non-Payment for Water, Service Fees for Miscellaneous Services and Discount for Automatic Payment Authorization.
- c. Reject Claim as recommended by Carl Warren & Company Claims Management Adjusters for Claimant: Alicia Flores.
- d. Adopt City Council Resolution No. 2014-50: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California, amending the FY 2014/2015 City of Brawley Budget in the amount of \$17,607.79.

**4. REGULAR BUSINESS**

- a. Review and Potential Action re: Request by Five Crowns, Inc. to Waive Development Impact Fees.

The City Council considered the recommendations of staff with respect to Five Crowns, Inc.'s request. The City Council also considered a presentation made by Five Crowns, Inc., wherein it was demonstrated that the current project has not changed the footprint of the preexisting facility. Five Crowns, Inc. told the Council that they did not object to paying development impact fees, but felt that under the circumstances the fees were too high in light of the fact that the actual footprint of its facility had not changed and that any additional impacts their project would have on City services would be minimal.

The City Council discussed the merits of Five Crowns, Inc.'s request. Council member Wharton made a motion to **approve** the request by Five Crowns, Inc., in support of the motion, Council member Wharton stated that he agreed with Five Crowns, Inc.'s contention that the footprint of their facility had not changed and that additional impacts that the project will have on City services will be minimal. As part of the motion, Council member Wharton moved to accept Staff's recommendation that the Development Impact Fees be reduced by the sum of \$4,604.11 and he also moved that be an additional reduction of \$7,246.43, for a total reduction of \$11,850.00, which amounted to a proposed fifty percent reduction in the Development Impact Fee. The motion was seconded by Council member Nava. The vote was 4-0. Council member Noriega absent.

- b. Review and Potential Action re: Award of Contract to Pyramid Construction and Aggregates, Inc. for Project No. 2014-16 – La Paloma Subdivision Street Improvements Phase I in the amount not to exceed \$320,219.35.

The City Council **approved** Award of Contract to Pyramid Construction and Aggregates, Inc. for Project No. 2014-16 – La Paloma Subdivision Street Improvements Phase I in the amount not to exceed \$320,219.35. m/s/c Nava/Campbell 4-0 Noriega absent

- c. Review and Action re: Authorization of Agreement with Psomas in the amount of \$133,290 to provide Professional Engineering Services for the Preparation of Plans, Specifications, Cost Estimates and Construction Support Services for the Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation Project.

The City Council **approved** the Agreement with Psomas in the amount of \$133,290 to provide Professional Engineering Services for the Preparation of Plans, Specifications, Cost Estimates and

Construction Support Services for the Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation Project. m/s/c  
Couchman/Wharton 4-0 Noriega absent

**5. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

- a. **Marjo Mello**, Library Director re: Angel "T" Party and the Movie that will be shown at the Brawley Del Rio Branch Library on Monday, November 24, 2014 starting at 6pm "Respect Due".
- b. Yazmin Arellano, Public Works Director gave an update on our Water System.

**7. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

**Wharton:** Attended the Cattle Call Events, Brawley Union High School Civics Ceremony, working with Spectrum with the new website design, Congratulations to the Imperial Valley League Champions Brawley Wildcats Football Team and wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

**Couchman:** Attended the Cattle Call Events, Veteran's Memorial Event, Air Pollution Control Meeting, Brawley Union High School Civics Class Presentation, BUHS Civics Ceremony, and my son is home from the military.

**Nava:** Attended the Cattle Call Events and would like to thank staff for all their work including graffiti personnel, BUHS Civics Ceremony, Fireball that honored some of our Fire Personnel, and the Veteran's Memorial Event.

**Campbell:** Attended the Cattle Call Events, received my 40 year pin at the Imperial Irrigation District Board Meeting today, Fireball and congratulations to our Firefighters, presentation at Witter School, Veteran's Memorial Event, met with Senator Ben Hueso and would like to thank staff for their continued hard work.

**8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

- a. Tree Lighting Ceremony scheduled for December 8, 2014
- b. Main Street planters have been adopted by Inferno 800, Partyland, Victory Reach Church and Jongeward Properties.
- c. Working Alternatives Program going well will add more days.
- d. Yazmin Arellano, Public Works Director was a Keynote Speaker for MANA.
- e. Great stories in the Desert Review that include our Police and Fire Departments.
- f. Met with Senator Ben Hueso toured the 8<sup>th</sup> and G Street site, Alyce Gereaux Park and also spoke about the additional work needed at the Lion's Center Pool.

**9. TREASURER'S REPORT** None

**10. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

- a. Update on 279 "J Street and Tangerine Gardens

**11. CITY CLERK'S REPORT**                      None

**ADJOURNMENT @ 7:55pm**

Next adjourned regular meeting Tuesday, November 16, 2014 6:00 pm, City Council Chambers, 383 Main Street, Brawley, California.

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**Alma Benavides, City Clerk**