

CITY OF BRAWLEY
July 3, 2012

The City Council of the City of Brawley, California met in a Regular meeting 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, Kelley, Nava
ABSENT: Miranda

The invocation was offered by Bobby Noe, Youth Pastor, House of Bread Ministries.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Nava.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was **approved as submitted**. m/s/c Campbell/Couchman 4-0 Miranda absent

1. PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS

Bill Brewer, Athletic Director, Brawley Union High School, thanked the City Council and staff for their continued support. He presented plaques of appreciation to employees of the Parks & Recreation Department: Karin Morgan, Director, Richard Rubio, Parks Supervisor, and Pat Dorsey, Recreation Supervisor.

Pedro Carranza, Varsity Baseball Coach, BUHS, also expressed his sentiments to the City of Brawley and staff. BUHS was blessed and lucky to have the support of the City and the Parks & Recreation Dept.

2. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

a. Shirley Bonillas, Personnel & Risk Management, submitted the staffing report for 2012-2013, effective 07-01-2012, reflecting a total of 144 authorized positions, with 141 filled positions. The positions for a dispatcher and Interim Parks & Recreation Director have been posted.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda was **approved** as submitted. m/s/c Campbell/Couchman

AYES: Campbell, Couchman, Kelley, Nava
NAYES: None

ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Miranda

- a. **Approved** City Council Minutes for: June 19, 2012
- b. **Approved** Accounts Payable for: June 14, 2012
- c. **Authorized** Contract Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 2011-06, K Street Drainage Improvements, to A & R Construction in an amount not to exceed \$30,120.00.
- d. **Authorized** Contract Change Order No. 16 to Contract No. 2009-06, Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project, to C.W. Roen Construction Company in an amount not to exceed \$178,631.00.

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

- a. Update and discussion regarding Imperial Valley Enterprise Zone (IVEZ) Program.

The City Manager reported that there was a meeting today regarding the transition, which will take 60-90 days. The Board of Supervisors discussed merging the Calexico and Imperial Valley Enterprise Zones with one director as an efficiency and cost savings effort. The state was contacted about the merger and Jerry Santillan, Asst. County, CEO advised this would require a new application and will require the states approval. The City Manager advised that they were pursuing a set of steps to hire a director by September 15th.

Three options presented:

- 1. Merge two (2) zones with a single manager. (Rejected by State)
- 2. Embed in one of participating agencies. (Rejected by Santillan, Asst. CEO, as the County is not ready to take on additional work).
- 3. Fill the position, which is the chosen method.

Diane Cason, Director of the Imperial Valley Enterprise Zone (IVEZ) reported that her last day would be July 19th. She advised that the existing office personnel was capable of the day to day operations. She thanked the Council and JPA members for their support.

Lengthy discussion followed regarding the importance of keeping Brawley as the main focus of the IVEZ, and to move forward quickly for a replacement.

Councilmember Couchman reviewed the interview/selection process.

Councilmember Campbell requested that the Council be kept informed of the progress.

The Council stated that they were in agreement with the Joint Powers Authority to proceed with the process to fill the position.

5. **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

Kelley: None

Campbell: Attended Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) meeting in Los Angeles; also as the president of the Pop Warner organization, he wanted to thank the Parks & Recreation Department for their support.

Couchman: Everyone have a safe and sane 4th of July.

Nava: Attended the Local Transportation Authority (LTA) and Imperial County Transportation (ICT) meetings; wished everyone a safe 4th of July.

6. **CITY MANAGER**

Will be requesting a short special meeting on July 31, 2012 at 12:00 Noon. The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) needs to be adopted, so can proceed with transit terminal projects. CM Kelley stated that he would be out of town. The Council agreed with a July 31st meeting, but that the time of meeting will be determined at the next meeting.

7. **ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION** **6.31 PM**

a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(a)):

1. City of Brawley vs. La Paloma
2. City of Brawley vs. Springhouse et al.
3. City of Brawley vs. Luckey Ranch et al.
4. Jupiter Ventures vs. City of Brawley

b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Significant Exposure to Litigation pursuant to Subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: Two (2) Potential Cases

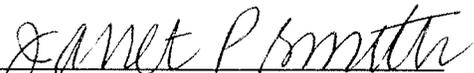
c. Conference with Labor Negotiator
Agency designated representative: Rosanna Bayon Moore, City Manager
Employee organizations:

1. Brawley Public Safety Employees Association

2. Brawley Police Sergeants Association
3. Brawley Firefighters Local No. 1967
4. Teamsters Local 542
5. Management, Confidential & Unrepresented Employees

8. REPORT OF ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION - Nothing to Report

ADJOURNMENT



Janet P. Smith, Deputy City Clerk