



# MINUTES

## A JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARLIER AND THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE PARLIER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Wednesday, November 01, 2017**

1. **CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:**

The Joint Meeting of the City Council of the City of Parlier and The Successor Agency of the City of Parlier Redevelopment Agency was held at the City Council Chambers located at 1100 E. Parlier Avenue, Parlier California 93648 . Mayor Alma Beltran called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

***ROLL CALL:***

**Present:** Mayor Alma M. Beltran, Mayor Pro-Tem Jose Escoto, Councilwoman Diane Maldonado, Councilman Noe Rodriguez, Councilman Trinidad Pimentel, City Clerk Dorothy Garza.

**Staff Present:** *Police Chief Jose Garza, City Attorney Mary Lerner, City Manager Sam Escobar, Administrator Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Bertha Augustine.*

**Flag Salute:** *Mayor Alma M. Beltran*

2. **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:** None.

3. **PRESENTATIONS/INFORMATIONAL:**

- 3-A.** Council to recognize local heroes: Officer Pinedo, Lorenzo Rodriguez and Bobby Ray Sanchez.

Officer Juan Pinedo and Citizen Lorenzo Rodriguez were recognized by the City Council on their quick response in a fire situation that broke out a local gas station. On Oct 18<sup>th</sup> Officer Pinedo pushed a burning vehicle out of the way next to gas pumps. At the same time Rodriguez a water truck operator was driving by and doused the burning vehicle with water until firefighters were able to respond. The situation could have been devastating. People could have gotten hurt and there could have been much damage.

City Council also recognized 17 year old Bobby Ray Sanchez, a Parlier high School student. On October 17<sup>th</sup> Bobby Ray was on 3<sup>rd</sup> street crossing J street when he saw a car turning onto J street and also noticed a little girl crossing the street in front of the car. Bobby Ray had one arm in a sling and with his other arm he grabbed the child and pulled her out of the way, preventing her from getting hit by the car.

The City Council are very thankful for their heroic actions and are very proud of all three of them.

- 3-B.** Presentation of “Key to the City” to the Parlier Lions Club and Gregory “Don” Hunsucker.

The City Council awarded Parlier Lyons Club “Key to the City. Key to the City is a very high honor and was started back in medieval times. The Key to the City has been given to people, organizations and major contributors in the community of the highest honor. The Parlier Lyons Club through commitment and hard work has dedicated their service to the Community of Parlier. The Lyons have been serving the Parlier Community for over sixty decades. The Lyons motto is where there is a need, there is a Lyon.

This year the Parlier Lyons Club was inducted into the Fairs Hall of Fame. The Parlier Community and the City Council are very proud of The Lyons Club. Gregory “Don” Hunsucker was not able to be present.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

**Note:** State law allows the Council to briefly respond to questions on items raised by the public, which are not on the agenda. Government Code Section 54954.2(a). Alternatively, the Council may choose to direct staff to provide information at a following meeting. Any member of the public may comment on any matter within the jurisdiction of the City that is not on the agenda. Those wishing to comment should be recognized by the Mayor and approach the podium. Comments are limited to five (5) minutes.

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

5-A. Approve the Check Reports dated October 12, 2017 through October 26, 2017.

5-B. Approve and accept the Minutes dated October 18, 2017 Meeting

**M/S/C:** Motion by Maldonado, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Escoto. 5-0, carried.

6. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT:**

6-A. **SUBJECT:** Fresno Council of Governments (COG) 2017/2018 Call for Projects – Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) Resolution No. 2017-84, Supporting and Implementing AB 1012 “Timely Use of Funds”.

- a. Staff Report – Philip Romero
- b. Public Comments – None.
- c. City Council Comments/Review/Action

The City Council approved the submission of CMAQ and STBG Project List for applications for Federal Funding to the Fresno Council of Governments and adopt Resolution 2017-84, Supporting and Implementing AB 1012 “Timely Use of Funds”.

**M/S/C:** Motion by Pimentel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rodriguez. 5 -0, carried.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

6-B. **SUBJECT:** Introduction of Community Service Officer Nora Cuevas; Council to give direction and develop priorities for Code Enforcement.

- a. Staff Report – Police Chief Jose Garza introduced Parlier’s the City’s first Community Service Officer Nora Cuevas. She will also service as code enforcement Officer. Her son Darius Cuevas pinned her. She is a graduate Of Fresno Pacific University where is received a BA in early child development and worked as an early child development teacher for more than 15 years. She was a Citizen on Patrol Volunteer for The Fresno Police Dept for 7 years and later became a Fresno Police Chaplain where she assisted officers in the field and did follow-up on runaway juveniles. She is also a domestic violence advocate. She writes reports so that the officers are able to answer more serious calls. Cuevas main priorities on her agenda as code enforcement officer is abandoned home.

- b. Public Comments- None.
- c. City Council Comments/Review/Action  
Members of the Council each gave her some projects they would like for her to look into.

**City Council** to give direction to staff.

**ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT:**

**6-C. PRESENTATION:** By Sharon Gonsalves on Townsend Public Affairs, Inc.

**SUBJECT:** Contract for Consultant Services – TOWNSENDPUBLIC AFFAIRS, INC.

- a. Staff Report – Sharon Gonzalves announced we have been approved by the state with new plans to the Heritage Park.
- b. Public Comments – None.
- c. City Council Comments/Review/Action  
Escoto asked about the 5B 453 and was told it died due to City's wording. Mayor Beltran wants updates forwarded to Council.

**The City Council** approved the Extend Contract Only Through End of Fiscal Year, June 30, 2018 subject to City attorney review.

**M/s/c:** Motion to approve by Rodriguez, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Maldonado. 5 – 0. Carried.

**SUCCESSOR AGENCY:**

**6-D. SUBJECT:** Renewing a contract Submitted by RSG, Inc. for general administrative and financial services for the preparation of ROPS and other Administrative duties of the Successor Agency and Property disposition services.

- a. Staff Report
- b. Public Comments
- c. City Council Comments/Review/Action

The Successor Agency approved the renewal contract of RSG, Inc. subject to City attorney review.

**M/S/C:** Motion to renew the contract submitted by RSG, Inc by Pimentel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Escoto, 5-0. Carried.

7. **BRIEF COMMENTS: COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS/COMMENTS:**

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**CITY MANAGER: None.**

**CITY ATTORNEY: None.**

**CITY COUNCIL: None.**

9. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION: None.**

(THIS PORTION OF THE MEETING IS RESERVED FOR PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON AN ITEM WHICH IS TO BE CONSIDERED DURING CLOSED SESSION. SPEAKERS SHOULD LIMIT THEIR COMMENTS TO FIVE (5) MINUTES.)

10. **CLOSED SESSION: (8:15 to 9:23 P.M.)**

**9-A. Government Code Section 54956.9 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- ANTICIPATED LITIGATION** Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: 3 case

**9-B. Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- EXISTING LITIGATION** City of Parlier v. The Dow Chemical Co., et al., San Bernardino Superior Court, Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding No. 4435 Case No. CGC-12-523400

**CLOSED SESSION ACTION:**

Nothing to report.

11. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Alma Beltran adjourned the meeting at 9 :23 P.M.

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Dorothy Garza – City Clerk

**City Resolutions adopted; 2017-84.**

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### **STATEMENT ON RULES OF DECORUM AND ENFORCEMENT**

The Brown Act provides that members of the public have a right to attend public meetings, to provide public comment on action items and under the public forum section of the agenda, and to criticize the policies, procedures, or services of the city or of the acts or omissions of the city council. The Brown Act also provides that the City Council has the right to exclude all persons who willfully cause a disruption of a meeting so that it cannot be conducted in an orderly fashion.

During a meeting of the Parlier City Council, there is a need for civility and expedition in the carrying out of public business in order to ensure that the public has a full opportunity to be heard and that the Council has an opportunity to conduct business in an orderly manner. The following is provided to place everyone on notice of the rules of decorum and enforcement.

### **GENERAL RULES OF DECORUM**

While any meeting of the City Council is in session, the following rules of decorum shall be observed:

1. All remarks shall be addressed to the City Council as a whole and not to any single member, unless in response to a question from a member of the City Council.
2. A person who addresses the City Council under public comment for a specific agenda item or under the Public Forum section of the agenda may not engage in speech or conduct (i) which is likely to provoke others to violent or riotous behavior, (ii) which disturbs the peace of the meeting by loud and unreasonable noise, (iii) which is irrelevant or repetitive, or (iv) which disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of any City Council meeting.

3. A person, other than members of the Council and the person, who has the floor, shall not be permitted to enter into the discussion unless requested by the Mayor to speak.
4. Members of the City Council may not interrupt a person who has the floor and is making public comments. Members of the City Council shall wait until a person completes his or her public comments before asking questions or commenting. The Mayor shall then ask Council members if they have comments or questions.
5. No person in the audience at a Council meeting shall engage in disorderly or boisterous conduct, including the utterance of loud, threatening or abusive language, whistling, stamping of feet or other acts which disturb, disrupt or otherwise impeded the orderly conduct of any Council meeting.