



**CITY OF LA CENTER CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
September 14, 2016**

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REGULAR MEETING:

1. Mayor Thornton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL:**

Council:

Councilmember Birdwell-Currey	Present
Councilmember Luiz	Present
Councilmember Williams	Present
Councilmember Valenzuela	Present
Councilmember Cerveny	Present
Mayor Thornton	Present

Staff:

Marc Denney, Chief of Police
Daniel Kearns, City Attorney
Suzanne Levis, Finance Director/Clerk
Jeff Sarvis, Public Works Director

Guests:

Doug Boff	Al Filla
Skip Carlson	Theresa Filla
Jack & Rosemary Davis	Nelda Perryman
Karla Edwards	Doug Quinn
Michael Edwards	

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A. **APPROVAL OF CLAIMS/ADJUSTMENTS – 09.14.16**
 - B. **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – 08.24.16**

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER WILLIAMS, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CERVENY AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2016 CONSENT AGENDA.



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5. COUNCIL STAFF REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS.

A. MAYOR'S REPORT.

- Mayor Thornton provided the following updates for meetings of City Council and the Planning Commission:
 - On August 27, City Council held a follow-up retreat/meeting on strategic planning. Lloyd Halverson facilitated. Topics included sewer line financing, the 4th street roundabout, subarea plan for the I-5 junction (economic development plan), annual budget process, and the Water Trail Park.
 - On August 31, City Council and the Planning Commission held a joint Work Session to discuss amendments to the Park, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan. A public hearing will be scheduled later this year.
 - On September 1 and 8, City Council conducted Work Sessions to discuss the City's 2017 budget and focused on projected revenues, expenditures, and a five-year forecast. The next Work Session on the budget is scheduled for September 29, 6:00 p.m. at the Public Works Office.
 - The City's Budget Advisory Committee continues to meet, as part of the budget process.
- The Mayor Town Hall meeting was held September 7. Citizens who attended shared comments and ideas. The next meeting is scheduled for October 5 at 6:30 p.m., Public Works office.
- Mayor Thornton recognized Councilor Sandra Day of Ridgefield and Commissioner Joe Melroy of the Port of Ridgefield, who were in attendance.
- The City is seeking one volunteer to serve as the City's representative on the Clark County Arts Commission. The current term for the position is effective immediately through December 31, 2017, after which the candidate will have the option to renew for a four-year term.
- A Proclamation declaring September 17-23, 2016 as Constitution Week was read into the record commemorating the 229th anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution. Constitution Week is an annual event initiated by the Daughters of the American Revolution. Council unanimously approved the adoption of the Proclamation.



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B. ATTORNEY’S REPORT. City Attorney Dan Kearns provided legal updates. The City filed a Motion to Dismiss Issues Relating to Annexed Lands and a Motion to Supplement the Record with annexation documents for the approximate 56 acres at the I-5 junction in the Growth Management Hearings Board appeal. Several parties have intervened in the case. A prehearing conference is scheduled for September 16. A full hearing is expected in January 2017.

C. COUNCIL COMMENTS.

- **COUNCILMEMBER BIRDWELL-CURREY** – None.
- **COUNCILMEMBER LUIZ** – None.
- **COUNCILMEMBER WILLIAMS** – None.
- **COUNCILMEMBER VALENZUELA** noted that traffic in school zones is being surveilled by the Police Department during rush hours.
- **COUNCILMEMBER CERVENY** – None.

D. STAFF REPORTS.

- **POLICE CHIEF MARC DENNEY, POLICE DEPARTMENT.** Chief Denney emailed the September 2016 *Monthly Blotter* to Councilmembers which included crime statistics for August 2016 as well as other PD highlights (a copy of which is made a part of these minutes and available on file). Chief Denney thanked the Our Days Committee for organizing the festival—the event proceeded safely with only minor traffic delays. The new school year brings parking and speeding violations in the school zones. Drivers were warned to use designated parking areas when attending football games and to stay alert at the new crosswalks in the school zones. An unfortunate fatal drowning occurred recently at Paradise Park, and it was advised for people to take advantage of the free life vests provided at recreational areas.

DIRECTOR JEFF SARVIS, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. Director Sarvis emailed the September 2016 issue of *In the Works* to Councilmembers (a copy of which is made a part of these minutes and available on file). Development and other updates were outlined in the report. Sewer line design and financing is progressing and it is anticipated to be brought before City Council in October; the informational meetings between Swinerton Builders and the City continue to occur biweekly; the sanitary sewer line was completed last month; a roadway vacation will be presented to Council in October; work on the Water Trail Park continues.



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6. **CITIZEN'S PUBLIC COMMENT.**

NELDA PERRYMAN, 824 E PIONEER LOOP, asked about the restriction on alcohol in the Community Center. Finance Director Levis stated City Council recently adopted a resolution that prohibits the consumption of alcohol in the City's Community Center to be consistent with the La Center Municipal Code prohibiting the same in parks. Also, potential liability issues for the City are a concern with the consumption of alcohol on City property.

7. **PRESENTATIONS.**

A. CLARK PUBLIC UTILITIES PROJECT UPDATES – DOUG QUINN (CPU). Doug Quinn, Director of Water Services, was in attendance to present water supply project updates and provided Council with a summary report, a copy of which is made a part of these Minutes and available on file. Topics covered were demographics and supply information, regional regulations, customer growth and demand as well as the Capital Plan (prioritization, Paradise Point Well Field, La Center investments, long-range overview, and Capital Investment Metrics).

8. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA** – None.

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None.

10. **NEW BUSINESS** – None.

11. **ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS** – None.

12. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Mayor Greg Thornton

Suzanne Levis, Finance Director/Clerk