



**CITY OF LA CENTER CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
September 28, 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	Absent/Excused
Mayor Thornton	Present

Staff:

Marc Denney, Chief of Police
Suzanne Levis, Finance Director/Clerk

Guests:

Doug & Barbara Burtwell	Jim & Candi Irish
Skip Carlson	Chris Swindell
Jack & Rosemary Davis	Andy "Sheriff" Taylor
Al & Theresa Filla	Rick & Suzi Terrell
Judy Hickman	

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. **APPROVAL OF CLAIMS/ADJUSTMENTS – 09.28.16**
- B. **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – 09.14.16**

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER BIRDWELL-CURREY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER VALENZUELA AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 28, 2016 CONSENT AGENDA.

5. **COUNCIL STAFF REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

A. **MAYOR'S REPORT.**

- Councilmember Joe Valenzuela represented the City of La Center at the Discovery Corridor Roundtable that was held September 27 at the Clark County Event Center.



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- The third City Council Work Session on the 2017 budget is scheduled for tomorrow, September 29, at 6 p.m. at the Public Works office. Council works in conjunction with the Budget Advisory Committee, which has held four meetings thus far. The budget process is in the preliminary phases.
- The third Mayor’s Town Hall Meeting is next Wednesday, October 5, at 6:30 p.m., Public Works office. Everyone is welcome to attend.

B. ATTORNEY’S REPORT – None (Absent/Excused).

C. COUNCIL COMMENTS.

- **COUNCILMEMBER BIRDWELL-CURREY** – None.
- **COUNCILMEMBER LUIZ** – None.
- **COUNCILMEMBER WILLIAMS** – None.
- **COUNCILMEMBER VALENZUELA** reported on the Discovery Corridor Roundtable that he attended on September 27. The Discovery Corridor runs from from Vancouver to Woodland along Interstate 5, and the meeting was held to discuss future economic development along the corridor.
- **COUNCILMEMBER CERVENY** – None.

D. STAFF REPORTS.

- **FINANCE DIRECTOR SUZANNE LEVIS, FINANCE STAFF REPORT.** The sewer line financing bond ordinance is tentatively scheduled for October 26—the City’s bond counsel will present; the 3rd Quarter Financial Report, and possibly a 2017 budget amendment (subarea economic development plan), will be presented on October 26; the City is on schedule with the 2017 budget process—public hearings for revenue sources will be held in October.

6. CITIZEN’S PUBLIC COMMENT.

JOE MELROY, PORT OF RIDGEFIELD COMMISSIONER. The Discovery Corridor Roundtable was well attended. The Port of Ridgefield is a public economic development agency working to improve the commerce of the community. The City of Ridgefield is looking forward to working with La Center towards the development of new businesses and jobs. The new headquarters for the Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife will be located at the Ridgefield junction. The development of a high-speed data transfer fiber optic infrastructure is in the works.



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ANDY “SHERIFF” TAYLOR, 1414 E. 4TH CIR. American Legion Post 189 is holding its annual flag disposal ceremony at the Evangelical Free Church in La Center on October 13 at 6:00 p.m.

7. **PRESENTATIONS** – None.
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 7:18 p.m.

Mayor Greg Thornton

Suzanne Levis, Finance Director/Clerk