

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Mendoza, G. Gonzalez Jr., Martinez, Lopez & Ortiz

**OTHERS:** Lara, Waters, Diaz, Marquez, Zacarias and Castillo

**ABSENT:**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Claudia Cabrera, Woodlake – Ms. Cabrera, a member of the Woodlake Chamber of Commerce, thanked City Council for attending the State of the City address meeting last week. Also, thank you to Councilmember G. Gonzalez Jr. for attending the Kiwanis meeting.

**IV. CONSENT CALENDAR –ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

Request Approval of the Consent Calendar Action Items (IV. A-F)

- A. Action: Approval of Minutes of the regular meeting held on February 22, 2016
- B. Action: Approval of Warrants
- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Right of Way Agreements, Grant Deeds, Temporary Construction Easement Deeds and Funds Disbursements for Those Properties Associated With the City of Woodlake South Valencia ADA Project
- D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Authorizing Submittal of Application for Payment Programs and Related Authorizations
- E. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of the February 2016 Monthly Report of Investments
- F. Action: Proclamation from the City of Woodlake, Proclaiming April 2016 as Child Abuse Prevention Month

**ON A MOTION BY G. GONZALEZ JR., SECOND BY LOPERZ IT WAS VOTED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**V. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Adopt a Resolution of Necessity for the Acquisition of the Property Located at 163 N. Magnolia St. with APN No. 061-160-021 for the Public Project Referred to as the City of Woodlake Plaza Project

**PUBLIC HEARING**

City Administrator Lara asked Mayor Mendoza to open the meeting for public comments.

**PUBLIC HEARING OPENED: 6:32 PM**

**PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED: 6:33 PM**

City Administrator Lara reported the following: City staff identified five properties that would have to be acquired as part of the City of Woodlake Plaza Project. The City contracted with Hamner, Jewell & Associates to assist with the acquisition of the properties. The City has successfully acquired four of the five properties and has a signed right of entry for the property in question.

The only property that the City has had no success in negotiating on is the property located at 163 N. Magnolia St. with APN No. 061-160-021. The City has provided the owner of the property with a formal offer and an appraisal. While the owner has agreed to sell the property there is an issue with the property being appraised at a value less than what is owed on it. The City and their consultant have attempted to negotiate the acquisition of the property with Bank of America, which carries the note on the property but unfortunately Bank of America has been unresponsive. Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a Resolution of Necessity for the acquisition of the property located at 163 N. Magnolia St. with APN No. 061-160-021 for the public project referred to as the City of Woodlake Plaza Project. The acquisition of the property will lead to the construction of a much needed public project that will serve the residents of the City of Woodlake for years to come.

**ON A MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY MARTINEZ IT WAS VOTED ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND APPROVE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY WITH APN # 061-160-021. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Award the Construction of the City of Woodlake Plaza Project to the Lowest Responsive Bidder, JT2, Inc. City Administrator Lara reported the following: on December 14, 2015, by Resolution No. 15-129, Council authorized staff to put out to bid the construction of the City of Woodlake Plaza Project. The project will be funded with a Department of Housing and Community Development Grant, Measure R and local funds. The bid opening for the projects was held March 8, 2016, in the Council Chambers. Below are the bids in order from lowest to highest:

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| • JT2, Inc.                 | \$ 1,597,923.00 |
| • Emmett's Excavation, Inc. | \$ 1,679,124.75 |
| • Avison Construction, Inc. | \$ 1,790,522.50 |

The City's engineer estimate was \$1,537,448.00 for the construction of the City of Woodlake Plaza Project. Staff recommends that Council award the project to the lowest responsive bidder, JT2, Inc. The project will be funded with a Department of Housing and Community Development Grant, Measure R and local funds.

**ON A MOTION BY G. GONZALEZ JR., SECOND BY LOPEZ, IT WAS VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AWARD THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE CITY OF WOODLAKE PLAZA PROJECT TO JT2, INC. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the City of Woodlake Community Center Project City Administrator Lara reported the following: city staff has been working with their City consultant Quad Knopf in the preparation of an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Community Center Project. All necessary notifications and hearings were held for the review of the study. The City received no comments. Staff recommends that Council approve the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the City of Woodlake Community Center Project. All necessary parties have been notified and necessary public hearings have been held.

**ON A MOTION BY LOPREZ, SECOND BY MARTINEZ, IT WAS  
VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION APPROVE THE INITIAL  
STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION. APPROVED  
UNANIMOUSLY.**

**VI. OTHER BUSINESS**

**A. Information: Items from Staff**

City Employee Waters – reported the installation of water meters is going well and currently about 600 have been installed.

City Administrator Lara – reported the Roundabout project has started up again and we will see closures of some streets next week. Edison is scheduled to power street lights that have been installed.

Student Representative Castillo – reported the Lisa Project provided great knowledge to the students regarding domestic violence. The Chalk Art event on Saturday was a great success. On Thursday an event will be held for those 17 and over regarding the importance of registering to vote and gaining knowledge regarding political issues. Spring break activities will be held all week at school. Baseball and Softball will play Farmersville at home. Softball will travel to a tournament on Saturday and Baseball will host a tournament this weekend at home.

**B. Information: Items from Council**

Councilmember Ortiz – reported the Woodlake Museum is now open on Friday's from noon to 2 pm and Saturday's from 10 am to 2 pm.

Mayor Mendoza – reported the State of the City address he gave last week went well. There were about 32 in attendance. He also announced he is running for State Assembly for the 26<sup>th</sup> District. He also reminded everyone to vote on Election Day and allow their voices to be heard.

**C. Request from Council Members for Future Agenda Items**

**VII. CLOSED SESSION**

1. **PENDING LITIGATION** (Government Code § 54956.9). It is the intention of this governing body to meet in closed-session concerning:  
Conference with legal counsel – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Government Code § 54956.9(d)).  
**Significant exposure to litigation** (Government Code § 54956.9(d)(2)).  
Number of potential cases is: 1.  
Facts and circumstances clearly known to potential plaintiff (if any) that might result in litigation (Government Code § 54956.9(e)(2)) :

2. **PENDING LITIGATION** (Government Code § 54956.9). It is the intention of this governing body to meet in closed-session concerning:  
Conference with legal counsel – **EXISTING LITIGATION** (Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1)).  
☒ Parties, case/claim no. Sunset Waste  
☐ Case name unspecified because of jeopardy to settlement negotiations or service of process.

MEETING MOVED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:55 PM  
MEETING RECONVENED AT 7:10 PM

Mayor Mendoza stated no action was taken and there was nothing to report.

## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

As provided in the Ralph M. Brown Act, Government Code sections 54950 et seq., the Governing Board may meet in closed session with members of its staff and its attorneys. These sessions are not open to the public and may not be attended by members of the public. The matters the Council will meet on in closed session are identified below or are those matters appropriately identified in open session as requiring immediate attention and arising after the posting of the agenda. Any public reports of action taken in the closed session will be made in accordance with Government Code sections 54957.1

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## VIII. ADJOURN

The next scheduled City Council meeting will be held on Monday, March 28, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at City Council Chambers located at 350 North Valencia Boulevard, Woodlake, CA 93286.

City Council:

Rudy Mendoza - Mayor

Frances Ortiz - Vice Mayor

Louie Lopez - Councilmember

Greg Gonzalez Jr. - Councilmember

Jose L. Martinez - Councilmember

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Submitted by,

Irene Zacarias

City Clerk