

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Mendoza, Martinez, Lopez & Ortiz

**OTHERS:** Lara, Waters, Diaz, Zacarias & Castillo

**ABSENT:** Councilmember G. Gonzalez Jr.

**FLAG SALUTE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT – None**

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

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

- A. Action: Approval of Minutes of the regular meeting held on May 9, 2016
- B. Action: Approval of Warrants
- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of the City Administrator Employment Agreement

**ON A MOTION BY MARTINEZ, SECOND BY ORTIZ, IT WAS VOTED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDER. APPROVED ANIMOUSLY.**

**V. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approving Changes to the Homebuyer and Housing Rehabilitation Program Guidelines

**PUBLIC HEARING**

City Employee Waters reported the following: updates have been made to the Homebuyer and Housing Rehabilitation Program Guidelines. The updates are minor and will not change program. Mayor Mendoza opened the public comment period:

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED: 6:32 PM

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED: 6:32 PM

Councilmember Ortiz asked staff to obtain the material in Spanish for those who may need it. City Administrator Lara stated staff will reach out to Self-Help and request material in Spanish.

**ON A MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY LOPEZ IT WAS VOTED TO APPROVE THE CHANGES TO THE HOMEBUYER AND HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM GUIDELINES. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Continuation of the Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Drought Emergency for the City of Woodlake  
City Administrator Lara reported the following: the amount of days a resident can water has been increased to (2) days depending on their address.

**ON A MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY MARTINEZ IT WAS VOTED TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL DROUGHT EMERGENCY FOR THE CITY OF WOODLAKE. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Reaffirm the Approval of Emergency Expenditures for the Development and Implementation of the City of Woodlake Well Project  
City Administrator Lara reported the following: the City has procured Zim Industries Inc., to begin the drilling of Well #14. The City believes it will cost approximately \$215,000 to drill the well. Drilling is expected to begin in three weeks.

**ON A MOTION BY MARTINEZ, SECOND BY ORTIZ IT WAS VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND REAFFIRM THE APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY EXPENDITURES FO THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY OF WOODLAKE WELL PROJECT. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Response to Grand Jury  
City Employee Waters reported the following: the Tulare County Grand Jury has requested a response from public agencies in Tulare County, including the City of Woodlake, regarding El Nino Preparation. A letter was prepared and submitted to the Grand Jury.

**ON A MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY LOPEZ IT WAS VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND APPROVE THE RESPONSE TO GRAND JURY. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## VI. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Information: Items from Staff

City Employee Waters – Reported a city vehicle has been equipped with the proper equipment to read the newly installed water meters. There are also various reports that city staff will be able to run and determine if there is a water leak or excessive water usage for any particular residence.

City Administrator Lara – Updated council on the status of the City’s roundabout project. On Wednesday, there will be no vehicle traffic for some businesses on Valencia. The businesses have been notified. The businesses will be accessible for customers by foot. The plaza project should be complete by mid-September. The City currently has three job openings; building inspector, maintenance worker and police officer. The deadline to apply is June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

City Clerk Zacarias – Reminded everyone about the Berry Festival on Saturday at the Botanical Garden.

- B. Information: Items from Council

Joe Martinez – Asked if residences are being notified when their water is shut off to install the water meter. City Administrator Lara stated yes.

- 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 – **EXISTING LITIGATION** (Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1)).

Case name: City of El Centro v. Larier (2016) 4<sup>th</sup> DCA – Case No. D066755

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. Baker v. City of Woodlake – Case No. VCU 264677
3. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR(S)** (Government Code § 54956.8). It is the intent of this governing body to meet in closed-session to confer with its real property negotiator concerning the purchase, sale, exchange, or lease of real property by or for this local agency as follows:  
 Property Description (Specify street address, or if no street address, the parcel number or other unique reference): 060-170-080 & 060-170-096  
 Our Negotiator: City Administrator  
 Parties with whom negotiating: Property owner  
 Instructions to negotiator concerning:  Price  Terms of payment.
4. **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.  
 Case name unspecified because of jeopardy to settlement negotiations or service of process.

MEETING MOVED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:56 PM  
 MEETING RECONVENED AT 7:30 PM

Mayor Mendoza stated no action to report on Items 1, 2 & 4.  
 Councilmembers gave authorization to RMA to defend the City of Woodlake in regards to City of Woodlake v. Baker VCU Case No. 264677. Approved unanimously.

#### 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

“Documents: If distributed to the Council less than 72 hours before a regular meeting, any public records which are subject to public inspection and pertain to an open-session item on the regular meeting agenda shall be available at the following address at the time they are distributed to a majority of the Council: 350 North Valencia Boulevard, Woodlake, California 93286. Public records distributed to the Council at a public meeting will be available to the public at such meeting if they were prepared by the City. Exemptions and details in Government Code § 54957.5 (a) shall apply.”

## VIII. ADJOURN

The next scheduled City Council meeting will be held on Monday, June 13, 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 7:31 PM

Submitted by,

Irene Zacarias  
City Clerk