

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

**OTHERS:** Lara, Marquez, Zamora & Zacarias

**ABSENT:** G. Gonzalez Jr.

### **FLAG SALUTE**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chris Crumly, 35686 Road 206, Woodlake – Mr. Crumly stated the minutes from the last meeting mentioned that the City receives \$150,000 from FAA every year for improvements to the airport. City Employee Waters clarified that the City will only receive the monies from FAA if there is an approved plan and the City currently does not have a plan. Mr. Crumly hoped the City would figure out how the City could come up with the 10% needed to receive the monies. He stated if he was offered .10 on the dollar to improve his business, he would jump on it.

#### 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 September 25, 2017
- B. Action: Approval of Warrants
- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of the September 2017 Monthly Report of Investments

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

#### V. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Information: 2018 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)/Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Scenario Development  
Ted Smalley and Stephen Ingoldsby, representatives with TCAG reported the following: the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is a 20-year planning document that TCAG updates at least once every four years. The RTP is the highest level and most comprehensive planning document prepared by TCAG. The 2018 RTP will outline transportation improvements and other related planning elements through the year 2042. Planned transportation improvements must be financially constrained, based on funding estimates, and performance measures should be defined. Elements of the RTP include: the Executive Summary, Policy Element, Action Element, Financial Element, Sustainable Communities Strategy, and a Valley-wide Chapter. There are also several associated documents and plans required such as Air Quality Conformity, the Regional Active Transportation Plan, the Regional Transit Plan, the Cross Valley Corridor Plan, and the Environmental Impact Report (EIR). As part of the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) process, three growth scenarios are being developed to compare how different growth influences and policies can impact greenhouse gas emissions and the transportation system. This scenario becomes the foundation of the SCS analysis that complements the RTP.

A presentation of these scenarios will be made at the Council meeting and all in attendance will be invited to participate in a survey that will include scenario reference that will then be used with the remainder of the public input to inform

the TCAG Board’s decision on a preferred scenario later in the year. These scenarios will then be presented to the public during the public outreach process and the results of the public outreach are communicated back to the TCAG Board to inform their decision on the selection of a preferred scenario. Under federal regulations, the RTP and its supporting documents must be final by July of 2018. There is some risk in adopting the RTP close to this deadline. However, the potential schedule delays or necessary development of responses to comments will most likely be due to state requirements: specifically, the Sustainable Communities Strategy and California Environmental Protection Act (CEQA) challenges. Federal funding sources are not likely to be affected, or are unlikely to be affected for an extended period, if this type of delay were to occur.

- B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Appoint Chief Mike Marquez to the Tulare County Task Force on Homelessness

City Administrator Lara reported the following: the Tulare County Task Force on Homelessness (“Task Force”) was created to advise and assist the Health & Human Services Agency (“the Agency”) on the Agency’s efforts to address homelessness issues affecting the community, and report to the Tulare County Board of Supervisors (“Board of Supervisors”) on a periodic basis. The task force consists of 18 representatives from different cities and agencies in Tulare County. Staff recommends that Council appoint Chief Mike Marquez to the Tulare County Task Force on Homelessness. The Woodlake Police Department has the most interaction with homelessness issues in the City of Woodlake and would be the best point of contact for the City.

**ON A MOTION BY LOPEZ, SECOND BY ORTIZ IT WAS VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND APPOINT CHIEF MIKE MARQUEZ TO TULARE COUNTY TASK FORCE. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Authorize Staff to Enter Into An Agreement With Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture For Grant Funding For The Manzanillo Storm Drain Pump Station Improvements Project

City Employee Waters reported the following: the Storm Drain Pump Station Improvements Project consists of modifying an existing storm drain pump station and discharge piping including, but not limited to, removing an existing pump and two discharge pipelines and installing one new pump and two new discharge pipelines, providing a new levee access road and water side erosion control, and installing a new motor control center, diesel generator, and electrical controls.

The City of Woodlake recently released an RFQ to find a firm that could install a new pump, electrical controls, and generator at the Manzanillo Pump Station location. The project will be funded via USDA, CDBG and the City’s General Fund. Staff recommends that Council authorize Staff to enter into an agreement with Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture for grant funding for the Manzanillo Storm Drain Pump Station Improvements Project.

**ON A MOTION BY MARTINEZ, SECOND BY LOPEZ, IT WAS VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Award the Manzanillo Storm Drain Pump Station Improvements Project Pending USDA Approval

City Employee Waters reported the following: the City of Woodlake released an RFP to find a firm that could install a new pump, electrical controls, and generator at the Manzanillo Pump Station location. As part of the proposal the applicants also included a deductive bid item for the installation of two discharge pipes. The City received two bids:

- Lentz Construction
- JT2 – Todd Companies

The total proposed cost for each firm is listed below:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Total Bid</u>
JT2	994,500
Lentz Const.	782,933

When exercising the deductive bid items, the costs are as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Total Bid</u>
JT2.	694,500
Lentz Const.	464,829

Based on the proposals, it was determined that Lentz Construction submitted the lowest responsible bid for the project.

**ON A MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY MARTINEZ IT WAS VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND AWARD THE PROJECT TO LENTZ CONST. PENDING APPROVAL. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## VI. OTHER BUSINESS

### A. Information: Items from Staff

City Administrator Lara – Reported the groundbreaking for the Community Center went well and construction will begin soon. Street maintenance will be done on Palm, Antelope and Whitney. The North Valencia project will go out to bid in 2 weeks. The City will have 2 tax measures on the ballot on November 7<sup>th</sup>. City Administrator Lara asked if the student representative has made contact with any council member. Mayor Mendoza asked staff to reach out to student representative Crystal Sandoval and ask if she is still interested in the position.

Chief Marquez – Reported the Woodlake Lions Brewfest in Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> and will be held at the Woodlake Plaza from 4 pm to 10 pm.

### B. Information: Items from Council

Vice-Mayor Ortiz – Reported the stop sign across from the Dead Rat appears to be in the wrong location. City Administrator Lara stated he will contact Caltrans and check distance.

### 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)).

Parties, case/claim no. City of Woodlake v. Garibay, Tulare County Case No. VCU263067

Case name unspecified because of jeopardy to settlement negotiations or service of process.

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. City of Woodlake v. Woodlake Public Cemetery District, Tulare County Case No. VCU 267523

Case name unspecified because of jeopardy to settlement negotiations or service of process.

**MEETING MOVED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 7:00 PM**  
**MEETING RECONVENED AT 7:30 PM**

Mayor Mendoza reported 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 “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, October 23, 2017 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 7:30 PM

Submitted by,

Irene Zacarias  
City Clerk