

PRESENT: Councilmembers Mendoza, Lopez & Martinez

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

ABSENT: G. Gonzalez Jr. & Ortiz

FLAG SALUTE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chief Marquez announced Councilmember Louie Lopez had been selected as the 2017 Man of the Year for the City of Woodlake. Councilmember Lopez will be recognized at the annual Woodlake Awards banquet on March 2nd at the Woodlake Veterans Memorial Hall. Congratulations Louie!

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR –ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

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

- A. Action: Approval of Minutes of the regular meeting held on February 12, 2018
- B. Action: Approval of Warrants
- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Continuation of the Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Drought Emergency for the City of Woodlake
- D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Reaffirm the Approval of Emergency Expenditures for the Development and Implementation of the City of Woodlake Well Project
- E. Action: Deny Claim for Damages from Willis J. Jackson filed on February 14, 2018

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

V. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Review Final Grant Expenditures and Accomplishments for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 14-CDBG-9895 and Authorize the City Administrator to Execute the 2014 CDBG Grant Closeout Documents to the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)– **PUBLIC HEARING & RESOLUTION**

City Employer Waters reported the following: the purpose of this hearing is to allow the citizens of Woodlake the opportunity to review and make comments on the following subjects:

Final Grant Expenditures and Accomplishments on the 2014 CDBG grant Homeownership Assistance Program, Housing Rehabilitation Program, Public Improvements Project, and Code Enforcement Activity (14-CDBG-9895); Program Income Expenditures associated with the 2014 CDBG grant (14-CDBG-9895);

The City received a grant award of \$1,750,591 from the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) CDBG Program to operate a city-wide Homeownership Assistance Program and Housing Rehabilitation Program, as well as a code enforcement activity and a flood drainage improvements project with funding made available from the 2014 CDBG General Allocation. The grant budget included \$372,093 for Homeownership Assistance, \$558,140 for Housing Rehabilitation, \$448,224 for Flood Drainage Improvements, \$250,000 for Code

Enforcement and \$122,134 for General Administration of the grant. The grant expired December 31, 2017.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED 6:35 PM

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED: 6:35 PM

ON A MOTION BY MARTINEZ, SECOND BY LOPEZ IT WAS VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE 2014 CDBG GRANT CLOSEOUT DOCUMENTS. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

- B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of the Agreement Between Wendall Reed and Charlotte Scott and the City of Woodlake for the Structure at 861 S. Valencia Blvd. Woodlake, Ca. 93286
City Administrator Lara reported the following: the current lease will be amended to a 5-year lease. Also, the City of Woodlake will collect a monthly rent of \$1,500 for 2018 and the rent will increase \$50 per month annually starting in 2019.

ON A MOTION BY LOPEZ, SECOND BY MARTINEZ IT WAS VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND APPROVE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WENDALL REED AND CHARLOTTE SCOTT AND THE CITY OF WOODLAKE. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

- C. Information: Woodlake Cannabis Tax Rate Considerations
City Employee Waters presented the attached PowerPoint.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Information: Items from Staff

City Administrator Lara – Reported North Valencia will be shut down for about 3-4 weeks. The Community Center is on schedule with an anticipated completion day of July 5th. The Citizens Oversight Committee (COC) held a meeting last week and discussed an initial spending plan. Committee agreed first projects would be to install 2 parks, one at Valencia Heights and the other at the corner of Lakeview and Manzanillo (Alsumiri Park). As soon as plans are finalized he will share with council.

Chief Marquez – Reported on 2/22/18 a school threat was made on social media. After the investigation, a student was arrested and charged. District Attorney will notify Police Department of status of charges. Statistic report was provided to council. Police Department Volunteer, Manuel Villegas will be recognized and receive an award at the Annual Safety Recognition Dinner on March 3rd.

City Clerk Zacarias – Reported there are tickets available for the annual awards banquet on March 2nd. Councilmember Lopez will receive the award for Man of the Year. See City Clerk Zacarias if you are interested in purchasing tickets.

City Attorney Zamora – Reported he will not be available to attend the next scheduled council meeting and Jaz Gil will sit in as City Attorney.

- B. Information: Items from Council

Councilmember Martinez – Asked if the North Valencia project will make Valencia wider. City Administrator stated yes.

Mayor Mendoza – Reported he received a letter regarding the City Selection Committee's appointment for Countywide RDA Oversight Board. If anyone is interested, City Clerk Zacarias can provide the information to you.

- 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.

City Mayor 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

“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, March 12, 2018 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

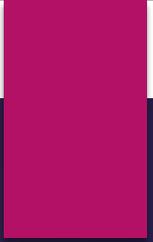
Greg Gonzalez Jr. - Councilmember

Jose L. Martinez - Councilmember

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM

Submitted by,

Irene Zacarias
City Clerk



Measure S: Cannabis Tax Rates

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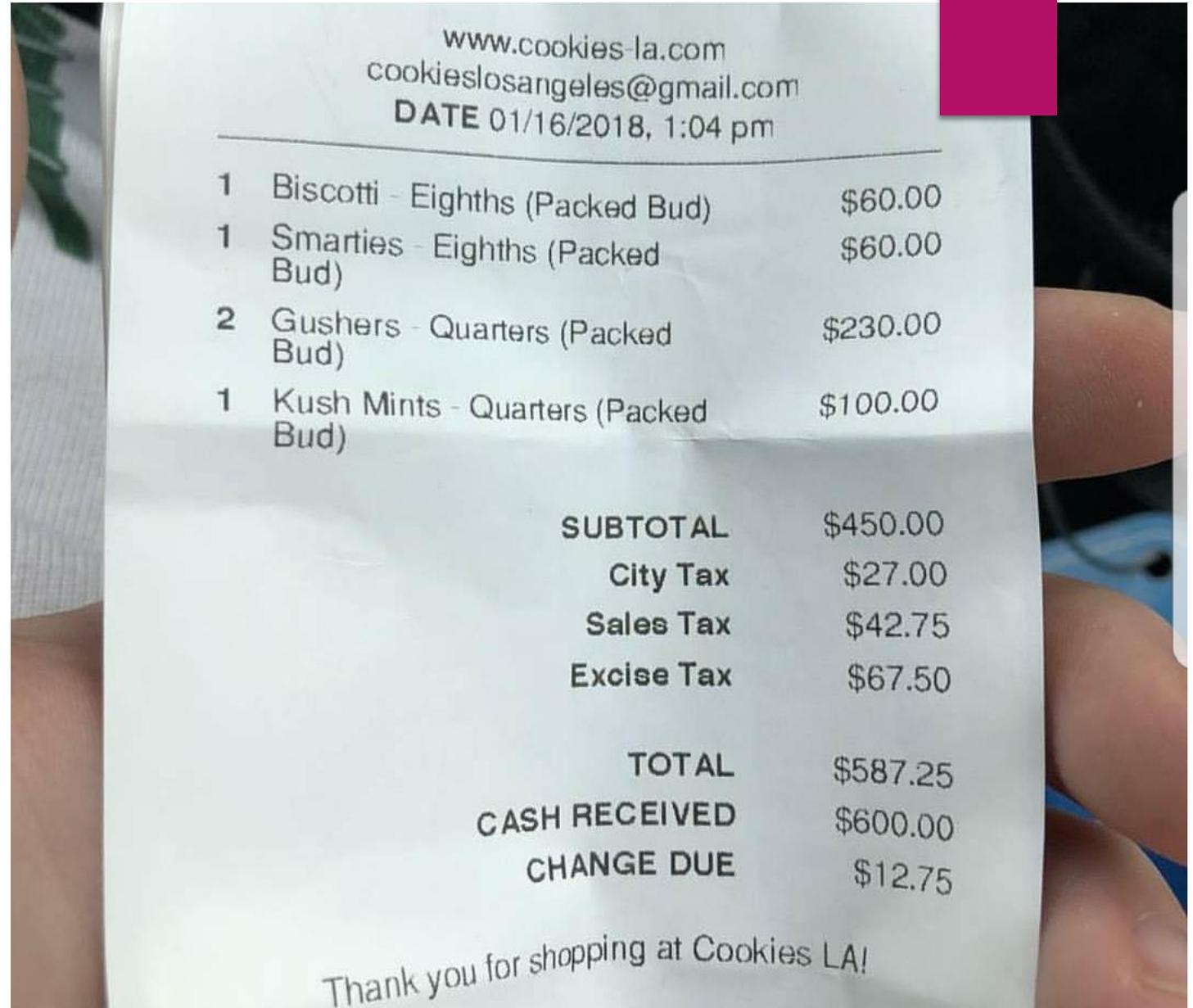
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Measure S

- ▶ A sales and use tax not to exceed \$25 a sqft or 10% of gross receipts on all cannabis businesses within city limits
- ▶ Passed with 67.8% of the vote
- ▶ Can be used for Public Safety, Parks and Recreation, Streets and Roads, etc.
- ▶ City Council approves tax rates (different rates for each business type)

Dispensary

- ▶ CA Tax Example:
 - ▶ 6% city tax
 - ▶ 9.5% sales tax
 - ▶ 15% state tax
- ▶ Overall effective tax is 30.5%.



Dispensaries Rates

- ▶ Rate Ranges
 - ▶ 2% to 15%
- ▶ Competitive Markets
 - ▶ Sacramento – 4%
 - ▶ Stockton – 5%
 - ▶ Sonoma County – 2%
 - ▶ California City – 6%
 - ▶ Monterey County – 5%
- ▶ Proposed Competitive Rate Range
 - ▶ 4%-6%



Indoor Cultivation Rates

- ▶ Rate Ranges
 - ▶ \$1 sqft to \$25 sqft
- ▶ Competitive Markets
 - ▶ Sonoma County – \$3.75 to \$11.25
 - ▶ California City – \$7
 - ▶ Monterey County – \$10
 - ▶ Farmersville - \$12
 - ▶ Santa Rosa - \$5
- ▶ Proposed Competitive Rate Range
 - ▶ \$6 to \$9 or a tiered rate that would average close to these amounts



Manufacturing Rates

- ▶ Rate Ranges
 - ▶ 1% to 15%
- ▶ Competitive Markets
 - ▶ Sacramento – 4%
 - ▶ Sonoma County – 3%
 - ▶ California City – 6%
 - ▶ Sonoma County – 3%
- ▶ Proposed Competitive Rate Range
 - ▶ 3%-5%



Distributions Rates

- ▶ Rate Ranges
 - ▶ 0% to 10%
- ▶ Competitive Markets
 - ▶ Sacramento – 4%
 - ▶ Monterey County – 5%
 - ▶ Sonoma County – 0%
 - ▶ California City – 6%
- ▶ Proposed Competitive Rate Range
 - ▶ 0% for distribution transportation only
 - ▶ 4%-6% for distribution license



Testing Rates

- ▶ Rate Ranges
 - ▶ 0% to 10%
- ▶ Competitive Markets
 - ▶ Monterey County – 5%
 - ▶ Sonoma County – 0%
 - ▶ California City – 2%
 - ▶ Sacramento – 4%
- ▶ Proposed Competitive Rate Range
 - ▶ 0%-2%



Nursery

- ▶ Monterey County – \$2 sqft
- ▶ Proposed Competitive Rate Range
 - ▶ \$2 sqft

