

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

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

**ABSENT:**

### **FLAG SALUTE**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

#### 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 September 10, 2018
- B. Action: Approval of Warrants
- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of the August 2018 Monthly Report of Investments
- D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve the Categorical Exemption for Buttonwillow
- E. Action: Approval of Proclamation: Approving the Proclamation Declaring October 14-20, 2018 as Freedom From Bullies Week

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

#### V. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of Expenditure Plan for Local Law Enforcement Funds as Authorized by Assembly Bill 3229 – PUBLIC HEARING  
Chief Marquez reported the following: Assembly Bill (AB) 3229 declares that there is a need for additional resources at the local level to fight crime and protect public safety. To do so, AB 3229 creates the Citizens Option for Public Safety (COPS) Program. The bill allocates money to cities and counties for law enforcement and public safety purposes. The City of Woodlake was awarded \$100,000 in COPS funds for the current fiscal year. This same amount has been awarded annually to the City for the past decade. The City of Woodlake has posted a notice for public hearing to invite the public to comment on the proposed expenditures. This plan will enhance the City’s current crime prevention program involving cooperation between community residents and law enforcement personnel to control, detect and investigate crime and assist in the prosecution of criminals.

Continue to enhance, support and participate in the following programs:

- Crime Free Multi-Housing
- Business Watch
- Neighborhood Watch
- Traffic Enforcement Programs
- Juvenile Crime Reduction Programs
- Drug and Gang Task Forces

COPS funds must be used on front line law enforcement services and may not be used to supplant existing law enforcement services. “Front line law enforcement services” is not specifically defined, but it includes “anti-gang” and “community crime prevention programs”. There is no provision in AB 3229 permitting

requests for funding to be made directly by community activists to the town council.

Mayor Mendoza opened the meeting for public comment.

**PUBLIC COMMENT OPENED: 6:36 PM**

**PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED 6:37 PM**

**ON A MOTION BY MARTINEZ, SECOND BY LOPEZ IT WAS VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND APPROVE ASSEMBLY BILL 3229. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approve the Indemnification Agreement Between the Woodlake Unified School District and the City of Woodlake  
City Administrator Lara reported the following: The Woodlake Unified School District is currently constructing an Emergency Repair Project that will improve storm drain facilities throughout the Woodlake High School campus. As part of the improvements they will increase their storm water impacts on the City of Woodlake storm drain system and that of neighboring properties. As part of the City's review of the project the City required an on-site retention basin as the City can no longer continue to safely absorb the impacts of the Woodlake Unified School District's storm water on the City's system. At this time the District does not have the funds to construct a retention basin and has agreed to indemnify the City from any liability that may arise in the future due to their storm water and pool water systems continuing to drain into the City storm drain system and neighboring properties.

**ON A MOTION BY MARTINEZ, SECOND BY ORTIZ IT WAS VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND APPROVE THE INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT WITH THE WOODLAKE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## VI. OTHER BUSINESS

### A. Information: Items from Staff

Community Services Director Waters – Reported the first 10 Wutchumna Heights homes should be done by early December. Plans for Castle Rock Community were submitted today.

City Administrator Lara – Reported Caltrans should sign off the completion of the North Valencia project this week. The South Valencia project started today. Work will begin today on the Eagle perch. The trees should begin to come down on Monday. Staff hopes to do the final walk thru of the Community Center on Thursday and complete by Friday.

Chief Marquez – Reported the Woodlake Lions Cruise Night and Car Show and the Homegrown's Mariachifest were all great events with no incidents. A local business had their front windows broken which resulted in over \$10,000 in damages. A female suspect was arrested.

### B. Information: Items from Council

Councilmember Ortiz – Reported there will be a Celebration of Life for Jim Crawford on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at Running P Ranch, 19524 Avenue 364, Woodlake. Celebration starts at 11 am.

Mayor Mendoza – Reported he attended the One Voice conference in Washington, DC. The main topics were transportation and water projects. Councilmembers Ortiz and Martinez interviewed students for the Student Representative position and agreed on 2 students, Daniela Frausto and Rojelio Chavez. They will serve as a team and will attend their first meeting on October 8<sup>th</sup>.

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

## VII. CLOSED SESSION

1. **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): APN# 060-170-071

Our Negotiator: City Administrator, Ramon Lara

Parties with whom negotiating: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructions to negotiator concerning:  Price  Terms of payment.

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, October 8, 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 7:04 PM

Submitted by,

Irene Zacarias  
City Clerk