



The following information comprises the minutes for a special and regular meeting of the City Council, a joint meeting of the Banning City Council and Banning Utility Authority and a joint meeting of the Banning City Council and the Banning City Council sitting in its capacity as the Successor Agency Board.

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL**

**01/26/2021
REGULAR MEETING**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Colleen Wallace
Mayor Pro Tem David Happe
Council Member Mary Hamlin
Council Member Kyle Pingree
Council Member Alberto Sanchez

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHER PRESENT

Douglas Schulze, City Manager
Kevin G. Ennis, City Attorney
Sonja De La Fuente, Deputy City Clerk
Tom Miller, Electric Utility Director
Art Vela, Public Works Director/City Engineer
Adam Rush, Community Development Director
Ralph Wright, Parks & Recreation Director
Matthew Hamner, Chief of Police
Jennifer Christensen, Administrative Services Director
Ralph Wright, Parks & Recreation Director
Suzanne Cook, Deputy Finance Director
Alejandro Geronimo, City Treasurer
James Wurtz, Economic Development Manager
Laurie Sampson, Executive Assistant
Sandra Calderon, Development Project Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING

The Mayor called to order the regular meeting of the Banning City Council at 5:00 P.M.

ITEM.1.1. Invocation

Pastor Damen Allen of First Missionary Baptist Church offered the invocation.

ITEM.1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Sanchez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM.1.3. Roll Call

COUNCIL	PRESENT	ABSENT
Hamlin, Mary	X	
Happe, David	X	
Pingree, Kyle	X	
Sanchez, Alberto	X	
Wallace, Colleen	X	

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

ITEM.2.1. Approve Agenda

VOTING

Motion by: Council Member Happe
Second by: Council Member Sanchez

COUNCIL	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE	ABSENT
Hamlin, Mary	X				
Happe, David	X				
Pingree, Kyle	X				
Sanchez, Alberto	X				
Wallace, Colleen	X				

3. PRESENTATIONS

ITEM.3.1. American Heart Month Proclamation

ITEM.3.2. Mayor's Special Recognition

The Mayor recognized Sonia Pierce, Senior Planner and Sonja De La Fuente Deputy City Clerk, for their hard work and dedication to the City of Banning, as Sonia Pierce is retiring and Sonja De La Fuente is moving out of state.

ITEM.3.3 Oath of Office for Planning Commissioners

Sonja De La Fuente, Deputy City Clerk, issued the Oath of Office to the following Planning Commissioners:

- Richard Krick
- Scott Brosious
- Eric Shaw
- Marco Santana

ITEM.3.4 Oath of Office for Parks and Recreation Commissioners

Sonja De La Fuente, Deputy City Clerk, issued the Oath of Office to the following Parks and Recreation Commissioners:

- Juanita Diaz
- Vickie Sellers

4. REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Kevin Ennis reported that the City Council met in closed session and discussed one item regarding anticipated litigation. Direction was given to legal counsel with no final or reportable conclusion.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, AND APPOINTMENTS, CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE, CITY MANAGER, AND CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

APPOINTMENTS

None

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Doug Schulze reported he participated in a conference call with Riverside County Emergency Management District and the National Weather Service. There is a significant winter event predicted to hit our area around 6:00 pm Thursday night, lasting through 6:00 pm Friday night. The heaviest rain is predicted to fall between 10:00 pm Thursday and 8:00 am Friday with snowfall expected to drop to 4,000 ft. Areas of concern are Atwell Development and the local areas that typically flood.

Ramsey Street Village clean-up is approximately 50% complete. The City is waiting to receive the insurance coverage information. The former tenants are currently housed in local motels, funding will run out before the Village can be re-established. The City is working with the County to find funding for shelter for those that are displaced.

The City is losing two model employees. Sonia Pierce and Sonja De La Fuente will be greatly missed.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

The City Attorney is working with the City Clerk's office to schedule Brown Act Training for March 9, 2021 at 3:00 pm for all Council Members and Commissioners. Will confirm the date and time.

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Hamlin attended a birthday party for Alice Maupin, she turned 105. Council Member Hamlin presented a nice certificate honoring her.

Council Member Pingree reported on Saturday the Rotary Club made a donation to the animal shelter that will go towards new doors and locks. Banning Electric has been working tirelessly and now the animal shelter has lights.

Council Member Happe had nothing to report at this time.

Council Member Sanchez had nothing to report at this time.

Mayor Wallace attended the New Mayors and New City Council Academy last Thursday and Friday. The next two classes are this Thursday and Friday. The council members are required to take two classes: Understanding Public Service, ethics, Law and Principles (AB1234), and Harassment Prevention Training for Supervisors (AB1161)

The Mayor would like everyone to work together to make the City of Banning a better place. It's not important for everyone to like each other but it is important that they all work together.

6. CONSENT ITEMS

Mayor Wallace pulled Item 6.10 and 6.11 for separate consideration.

- ITEM.6.1.** Public Works Capital Improvement Project Update
- ITEM.6.2** Public Works Capital Improvement Project Update
- ITEM.6.3.** Fire Department Statistics for November 2020
- ITEM.6.4.** Contracts Approved Under the City Manager's Signature Authority in November and December 2020
- ITEM.6.5.** Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants Issued in the Month of November 2020
- ITEM.6.6.** Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants Issued in the Month of December 2020
- ITEM.6.7.** Cash, Investments and Reserve Report for the Month of November 2020
- ITEM.6.8.** Cash, Investments and Reserve Report for the Month of December 2020
- ITEM.6.9.** Public Works Capital Improvement Project Update

Public Comment

None

Approve Consent Items 6.1 though 6.9

VOTING

Motion by: Council Member Pingree
Second by: Council Member Happe

COUNCIL	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE	ABSENT
Hamlin, Mary	X				
Happe, David	X				
Pingree, Kyle	X				
Sanchez, Alberto	X				
Wallace, Colleen	X				

ITEM.6.10. Receive and File the Well M-12 Report and Authorize the Abandonment of Well M-12A, Change in Scope of Work to the Agreement with L.O. Lynch and the Development of Plans and Specifications for Drilling and Equipping Replacement Well M-12

Public Works Director Art Vela presented the Staff Report for this item. There was some discussion held among Council and Staff.

Public Comment

None

Approve Consent Item 6.10.

VOTING

Motion by: Mayor Happe
Second by: Council Member Hamlin

COUNCIL	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE	ABSENT
Hamlin, Mary	X				
Happe, David	X				
Pingree, Kyle	X				
Sanchez, Alberto	X				
Wallace, Colleen	X				

ITEM.6.11. Approving a Change Order to the Purchase Order with Center Electric of Riverside, California for Water/Wastewater Electrical Services as Needed in the Amount of \$15,000 for a Total Purchase Order Amount of \$40,000

Public Works Director Art Vela presented the Staff Report for this item. There was some discussion held among Council and Staff.

Public Comment

None

Approve Consent Item 6.11.

VOTING

Motion by: Council Member Sanchez
Second by: Council Member Hamlin

COUNCIL	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE	ABSENT
Hamlin, Mary	X				
Happe, David	X				
Pingree, Kyle	X				
Sanchez, Alberto	X				
Wallace, Colleen	X				

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

8. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

None

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

10. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the regular meeting at 5:49 P.M.

Next Meeting: *Regular Meeting, Tuesday, February 9, 2021, 5:00 P.M.*

Minutes Prepared by:



Laurie Sampson, Acting Deputy City Clerk

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