

MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
NEEDLES PUBLIC UTILITY AUTHORITY
HOUSING AUTHORITY CITY OF NEEDLES CITY
OF NEEDLES, CALIFORNIA
EL GARCES – 950 FRONT STREET, NEEDLES**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2024
COUNCIL EXECUTIVE SESSION – 5:00 PM
CITY COUNCIL MEETING – 6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Jernigan called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM
ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Council Member Ellen Campbell
Council Member Jamie McCorkle
Vice Mayor Kirsten Merritt
Mayor Janet Jernigan
Council Member JoAnne Pogue
Council Member Tona Belt - arrived at approximately 5:15 PM
Council Member Henry Longbrake

ABSENT – None

Also present City Manager Patrick Martinez, Utility Manager Rainie Torrance, City Attorney John Pinkney, City Clerk Dale Jones and Assistant City Clerk Candace Clark.

PUBLIC COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS - None

RECESSED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION at 5:02 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Conference with legal counsel – Anticipated Litigation – Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and/or (3). One potential case.

No Reportable Action

- b. Conference with Real Property Negotiators pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8. Property: 19th Hole Bar & Grill located at 144 Marina Drive Needles, CA. Agency Negotiator: City Manager Patrick Martinez or his designee. Negotiating Parties: City of Needles as potential lessor and Kristin Baran dba 19th Hole Bar & Grill as Potential tenant. Under negotiation: Price and Terms of Potential lease.

No Reportable Action

- c. Conference with Legal Counsel Regarding Potential Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(4). One potential case.

No Reportable Action

- d. Conference with Real Property Negotiators pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8. Property: Tri-State Alano Club located at 801 Third Street, Needles, CA. Agency Negotiator: City Manager Patrick Martinez or his designee. Negotiating Parties: City of Needles as potential lessor and Tri-State Alano Club as Potential tenant. Under negotiation: Price and Terms of Potential lease.

No Reportable Action

- e. Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to California Government Code §54957.6-Personnel - Agency Representative City Manager Patrick Martinez or his designee - Employee Organizations Teamsters Local 1932

29 "Decrease of Prima Facie Speed Limits", of the Needles Municipal Code to include the Prima Facie Speed Limit for Clary Drive between San Clemente Street and Lillyhill Drive and authorize Public Works to implement the signing and striping plan. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Campbell, McCorkle, Vice Mayor Merritt, Council Members Pogue, Belt, and Longbrake
 Noes: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

2. Public hearing noticed to consider all evidence and testimony for or against approval of City Council Resolution No. 2024-32, approving the abandonment of the 8' wide sewer easement located along the south property line of Parcel A of Parcel Map 14798 generally located at 2701 Columbus Drive.

Director of Development Services Raasch gave a PowerPoint presentation.

Council had no questions of staff.

Mayor Jernigan opened the public hearing at 6:27 PM

There was no public comment.

Mayor Jernigan closed the public hearing at 6:27 PM

Council Member Belt made a motion, second by Council Member Pogue, to adopt Resolution No. 2024-32, approving the abandonment of the 8' wide sewer easement located along the south property line of Parcel A of Parcel Map 14798 generally located at 2701 Columbus Drive. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Campbell, McCorkle, Vice Mayor Merritt, Council Members Pogue, Belt, and Longbrake
 Noes: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

3. Public hearing noticed to consider all evidence and testimony for or against approval of City Council Ordinance No. 667-AC Adopting the California Building Standards Code 2022 Edition; Rescinding Ordinance No. 635-AC adopting the California Building Standards Code 2019 Edition; Amending Municipal Code Article IV "Uniform Administrative Code" and Section 2-10 "Adopted by Reference Where Filed" **was continued to September 10, 2024.**

RECESSED THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING & CONVENED A JOINT COUNCIL / NPUA MEETING - 6:29 PM

PUBLIC COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE NPUA/COUNCIL ITEMS - None

REGULAR NPUA / COUNCIL ITEMS

4. NPUA: Waive the reading and adopt Resolution Number 08-13-2024-NPUA authorizing the transfers of money to and from the NPUA account at Wells Fargo Bank to the State of California's Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) and updating the authorized staff list.

and

COUNCIL: Waive the reading and adopt Resolution Number 2024-33 authorizing the transfers of money to and from the NPUA account at Wells Fargo Bank to the State of California's Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) and updating the authorized staff list.

City Manager Martinez gave staff report. Vice Mayor Merritt made a motion, second by Council Member McCorkle, to adopt City Council Resolution 2024-33 authorizing the transfers of money to and from the NPUA account at Wells Fargo Bank to the State of California's Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) and updating the authorized staff list. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Campbell, McCorkle, Vice Mayor Merritt, Council Members Pogue, Belt, and Longbrake
 Noes: None

Ayes: Council Members Campbell, McCorkle, Belt, and Longbrake
 Noes: Vice Mayor Merritt, Council Member Pogue
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

13. Approve Tenant Improvements of the River's Edge Golf Course, Golf Concession and Pro Shop Building – Kitchen Remodel

City Manager Martinez gave staff report. Council Member Campbell made a motion, second by Vice Mayor Merritt, to Approve Tenant Improvements of the River's Edge Golf Course, Golf Concession and Pro Shop Building – Kitchen Remodel. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Campbell, McCorkle, Vice Mayor Merritt, Council Members Pogue, Belt, and Longbrake
 Noes: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

14. Authorize the City Clerk to publish a notice of vacancies on the various Boards and Commissions due to the expiration of terms and resignations.

City Manager Martinez reported.

Vice Mayor Merritt made a motion, second by Council Member Campbell, to authorize the City Clerk to publish a notice of vacancies on the various Boards and Commissions due to the expiration of terms and resignations. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Campbell, McCorkle, Vice Mayor Merritt, Council Members Pogue, Belt, and Longbrake
 Noes: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

15. Approve Fifth Amendment to On-Call Consulting Services Agreement Between the City of Needles and Development Management Group, Inc. for Economic Development Consulting Services in the amount not to exceed \$70,000 and extend the term of the Agreement until June 30, 2025.

City Manager Martinez gave staff report and discussion ensued.

Council Member Campbell made a motion, second by Council Member McCorkle, to approve Fifth Amendment to On-Call Consulting Services Agreement Between the City of Needles and Development Management Group, Inc. For Economic Development Consulting Services in the amount not to exceed \$70,000 and extend the term of the Agreement until June 30, 2025. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Campbell, McCorkle, Vice Mayor Merritt, Council Members Pogue, Belt, and Longbrake
 Noes: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

16. Accept proposal from The Concord Group to provide Professional Services for a Housing Market Demand Assessment for a Not to Exceed amount of \$20,000 and authorize staff to execute a Professional Services Agreement and Notice of Award for the work.

City Manager Martinez gave staff report and discussion ensued.

Council Member Pogue made a motion, second by Council Member Campbell, to Accept proposal from The Concord Group to provide Professional Services for a Housing Market Demand Assessment for a Not to Exceed amount of \$20,000 and authorized staff to execute a Professional Services Agreement and Notice of Award for the work. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Campbell, McCorkle, Vice Mayor Merritt, Council Members Pogue, Belt, and Longbrake

Council Member Belt reported on WARMC 911 CPR Hour long Event for 8th graders; school starts tomorrow; cannabis odor; asked about getting a pickleball court and have an event celebrating the heat; reported on Palo Verde LPN Program Event on September 12.

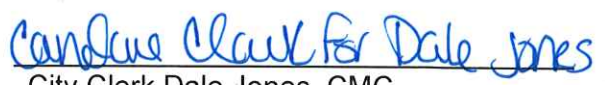
Council Member Longbrake asked about the Lilly Hill Cannabis facility ongoing smell issue; congratulated Kathy Raasch as the City's new Development Director and thanked Bullhead City Council Member Dan Alfonzo for attending the meeting.

Mayor Jernigan Hosted Chamber / Tourism event; attended CJPIA Annual Conference; Thanked Tri State Community Health for its involvement and donations to our community; thanked city crews for getting the sidewalks marked and ready for school.

ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Jernigan adjourned the meeting at 7:37 pm

ATTEST


Mayor Janet Jernigan


City Clerk Dale Jones, CMC