

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
NEEDLES PUBLIC UTILITY AUTHORITY
HOUSING AUTHORITY CITY OF NEEDLES
CITY OF NEEDLES, CALIFORNIA
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1111 BAILEY AVENUE, NEEDLES

THE 5:00 P.M. PORTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING WAS RECESSED BY
THE CITY CLERK TO 5:30 P.M.

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2024
COUNCIL EXECUTIVE SESSION – 5:30 PM
CITY COUNCIL MEETING – 6:00 PM

THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND VIA TEAMS AND MAY SUBMIT ANY COMMENTS IN WRITING PRIOR
TO NOON ON THE DAY OF THE MEETING BY EMAILING djones@cityofneedles.com

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Council Member Ellen Campbell
Council Member Jamie McCorkle
Mayor Janet Jernigan
Council Member JoAnne Pogue
Council Member Tona Belt
Council Member Henry Longbrake

ABSENT

Vice Mayor Kirsten Merritt
Vice Mayor Merritt was granted an excused absence by Mayor Jernigan
Also in attendance were City Manager Patrick Martinez, 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 5:30

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Public Employee Appointment Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 Title of Position:
Director of Development Services

Executive Session ended at 5.44 pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT - by City Attorney – No reportable action

CALL TO ORDER at 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL

Council Member Ellen Campbell
Council Member Jamie McCorkle
Mayor Janet Jernigan
Council Member JoAnne Pogue
Council Member Tona Belt
Council Member Henry Longbrake
Vice Mayor Merritt was granted an excused absence by Mayor Jernigan

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Mayor Jernigan

INVOCATION given by Councilmember Campbell

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilmember Pogue, second by Councilmember Campbell to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Campbell, McCorkle, Pogue, Belt and Longbrake
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: Vice Mayor Merritt
 ABSTAIN: None

CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None

CORRESPONDENCE - None

INTRODUCTIONS - None

CITY ATTORNEY – Parliamentary Procedures given by City Attorney Pinkney

PUBLIC APPEARANCE

Pastor Martin Souter, Set Free Church, informed council of what they do to help people who need guidance with recovery. Testimonials were given by James Ramaro, Annabella Ramaro, L. Brown, James Alvarez, Candace, Sarah and Christopher who shared with Council how Pastor Souter has given them the tools to live a better life without drugs and alcohol.

PRESENTATION

1. Administer Oath of Office to Irene Romero, City Planner – not present
2. NPUA / COUNCIL / HACN BUDGET WORKSHOP: Direction to proceed with the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025 budget process and schedule the matter for a public hearing and action on June 11, 2024.

Barbara DiLeo Acting Director of Finance reviewed the proposed budgets and informed council that the senior center needs repairs to continue to operate. Ms. DiLeo responded to council questions.

Captain Tarangle discussed with council the need for an additional officer, reviewed the station community engagement programs, social media platforms and responded to council questions.

City Manager Martinez referred to a proposed Schedule B showing the cost of the addition officer would increase the contract by \$382,140.

Council consensus is to add \$100,000 for senior center repairs and to revisit the sheriff contract mid-year.

3. San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department presented a check in the amount of \$500 to the Aquatic Center to help with updates to the pool
 Several members of the swim team thanked the city council for everything they do to keep the pool open and are grateful.

PUBLIC COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE COUNCIL ITEMS - None

COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

City Manager Martinez responded to council questions on item 6 and 8.

A motion was made by Councilmember Campbell, second by Councilmember McCorkle to approve the Consent Calendar as submitted. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Campbell, McCorkle, Pogue, Belt and Longbrake
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: Vice Mayor Merritt
 ABSTAIN: None

4. Approved the Warrants Register through May 28, 2024
5. Approved the Minutes of May 14, 2024
6. Adopted Resolution No. 2024-23 approving an Agreement between the City of Needles and Needles Unified School District for a Sheriff's Service Specialist for the 2024-2025 school year
7. Adopted Resolution No. 2024-24 authorizing filing of an application for federal funding under FTA Section 5311 (49 U.S.C. Section 5311), the federal program providing assistance to rural transit programs, with the California Department of Transportation
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2024-25 accepting the purchase offer from Needles Church of Christ, Inc. for the City right-of-Way consisting of a portion of "O" Street south of Market Street terminating at the base of Interstate 40 and authorizing the City Manager to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement and escrow documents for said sale of property to Needles Church of Christ, Inc.
9. Accepted Proposal for Amendment No. 1 to the Scope of Work from TKE Engineering, Inc. to provide Professional Consulting Services for the Oboernolte Water Service Replacement and

Street Improvements Project with a not to exceed (NTE) amount of \$12,288.75 for a new total cost of NTE \$32,288.75 and authorized staff to execute an Amendment to the task between City and TKE Engineering for said work

10. Approved the Twenty Eighth Amendment to Contract No. 99-376 with the County of San Bernardino providing for law enforcement services by amending Schedule A for the 2024-2025 fiscal year

END OF COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

CITY MANAGER REPORTED

MANAGERS REPORT

COUNCIL REQUESTS

Council Member Campbell -Run for the Wall was great and Doctor Paget will be missed.

Council Member McCorkle – Run for the Wall was amazing, enjoyed ICSC and asked a lot of questions.

Council Member Pogue – Had a great time at ICSC.

Council Member Belt – Memorial Day service was great and congratulations to the Boys Baseball and Girls Softball Teams for winning the State Championship


Council Member Longbrake - None

Mayor Jernigan – thanked everyone for assisting with Run for the Wall, thanks to Krikit for her volunteer service at Lynns Garden, congratulations to the Boys and Girls State Championship and Memorial Day Service was very nice.

ADJOURNMENT - Mayor Jernigan adjourned the meeting at 7:11 pm

ATTEST:


Mayor Janet Jernigan


City Clerk Dale Jones, CMC

