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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency of the City of Firebaugh
Vol. No. 07/04-30

Location of Meeting: Andrew Firebaugh Community Center
1655 13th Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622
Date/Time: April 30th, 2007/7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Knight at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Craig Knight, Mayor Pro Tem Javier Marquez
Council Members Marcia Sablan, Chris J. DeFrancesco
Council Member Clyde Fannon
OTHERS: Finance Director Jose Garay, Antonia Rodriguez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Council Discussed the tactics that were being used by the INS (ICE – Immigration & Custom Enforcement) including knocking on all doors and windows in the early morning, identifying themselves as Police etc.

Mrs. Antonia Rodriguez described her experience when ICE came to her house looking for her husband, and explained that they terrified her children who were in the house.

INTRODUCTION

PRESENTATION

CORRESPONDENCE

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items listed on the calendar are considered routine and are acted upon by one motion unless any Council member requests separate action. Typical items include minutes, claims, adoption of

ordinances previously introduced and discussed, execution of agreements and other similar items.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. **RESOLUTION NO. 07-18 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH OPPOSING CERTAIN TYPES OF IMMIGRATION RAIDS CONDUCTED BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT.**

Council reviewed and discussed the resolution before them from the City of Fresno, Mendota and Firebaugh. Resolution would let the Federal & State elected officials know what is happening in the individual communities. Council is not against them enforcing the law. It is the abuse of their authority that concerns the elected officials. Council and City Manager Jose A. Ramirez suggested that a joint Council Meeting be held with Mendota and invite the INS to explain their procedures, to here from the community and their concerns. Council Member Sablan proposed an alternate resolution, which was approved by the City Council, and motion was taken.

Motion to approve revised Resolution No.07-18 by Council Member Marquez, seconded by Council Member DeFrancesco.

PENDING ITEMS

PUBLIC COMMENTS QUESTIONS

STAFF REPORTS

COUNCIL ITEMS

CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting by Council Member Marquez, seconded by Council Member Fannon, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. by consensus.

