

MEETING MINUTES

**The City Council/Redevelopment Agency of the City of Firebaugh
Vol. No. 10/05-03**

Location of Meeting: Andrew Firebaugh Community Center
1655 13th Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622
Date/Time: May 3, 2010/ 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER Meeting called to order by Mayor Marquez at 6:34 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tem Chris J. DeFrancesco
Council Member Jim Lowe
Council Member Rod Lake
Council Member Marcia Sablan 7:20 pm

ABSENT: Mayor Javier Marquez,

OTHERS: City Attorney, Meggin Boranian; City Manager, Jose Antonio Ramirez ; City Finance Director, Odi Ortiz; Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano; Police Chief, Elsa Lopez; City Engineer Mario Gouveia; Paul Ashby; Felipe Perez; Jesse Lopez; Roberto Garcia; Mr. Dennis Dong and Mary Van Pelt.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Lake

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jesse Lopez, 26184 Deron Way of Madera, representing the Joaquin Murrieta Ride presented a plaque to the Firebaugh City Council in appreciation for the support of the their annual event, this year it will be held July 23-26.

Mrs. Perez of promotores wanted to inform the Firebaugh Community that their organization will hand out information in English and Spanish regarding the H1N1 Virus at Dunkle Park and at Church to promote awareness.

PRESENTATION

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council meeting on April 19, 2010.**

Motion to approve minutes made by Council Member Lake; second by Council Member Lowe, motion passed.

2. **PROCLAMATION - MAY 2010, AS “DROWNING PREVENTION MONTH”.**

Motion to approve proclamation by Council Member Lowe; second by Council Member Lake, motion carries.

PUBLIC HEARING

3. **RESOLUTION NO. 10-15 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH APPROVING A SANITARY SEWER MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

Public Hearing opened at 6:42 p.m. – No public comment given – Hearing Closed at 6:43 p.m.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 10-15 made by Council Member Lake; second by Council Member Lowe; motion passed by unanimous consensus vote.

4. RESOLUTION NO. 10-16 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH APPROVING FINAL GRANTEE PERFORMANCE REPORT OF FUNDING UTILIZED TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC FACILITY LOCATION AND FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR CDBG AGREEMENT 07-PTAG-3662.

Public Hearing opened at 6:51 p.m. – No public comment given – Hearing Closed at 6:52 p.m.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 10-16 made by Council Member Lowe; second by Council Member Lake; motion passed by unanimous consensus vote.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

5. RESOLUTION NO. 09-30 - AMENDED - A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING AND THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO FROM THE PLANNING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ALLOCATION OF THE STATE CDBG PROGRAM.

Motion to approve amended Resolution No. 09-35 to correct the original amount of \$5600 to \$6300 by Council Member Lake; second by Council Member Lowe; motion passed by unanimous consensus vote.

6. SAFE ROUTE TO SCHOOL CYCLE 9 – NOTICE OF FUNDING AND APPLICATION DISCUSSION.

Motion to approve grant submit grant application with condition that council identify funding prior to accepting grant if awarded, by Council Member Lowe; second by Council Member Lake; motion passed by unanimous consensus vote.

7. RESOLUTION NO. 10-17 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN RIVERBANK REPAIR PROJECT.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 10-17 made by Council Member Lake; second by Council Member Lowe; motion passed by unanimous consensus vote.

8. RESOLUTION NO. 10-18 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE URBAN GREENING PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROPOSITION 84).

Motion to approve Resolution No. 10-18 made by Council Member Lowe; second by Council Member Lake; motion passed by unanimous consensus vote.

9. RESOLUTION NO. 10-19 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH AUTHORIZES THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION, INCURRING OF THE OBLIGATION AND INDEBTEDNESS, THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACTS AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO, AND THE EXECUTION OF OTHER DOCUEMNTS NECESSARY TO SECURE A GRANT OF FUNDS FROM THE JOE SERNA, JR FARMWORKER HOUSING GRANT PROGRAM OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Motion to approve Resolution No. 10-19 made by Council Member Lowe; second by Council Member Lake; motion passed by unanimous consensus vote.

10. CONSIDER AND DISCUSS AMENDING THE CITY CLERK’S AND TREASURER’S ELECTED POSITION.

Item tabled for a minimum of 30 days so the Attorney may complete further research on legal rights regarding medical benefits for the above named positions, motion to approve by unanimous consensus vote.

PENDING ITEMS

None

STAFF REPORTS

- **John Borboa, Fire Chief** – Working on USDA grants; siren, pressure system, Satellite Fire Pumper with Emergency Light Tower and reported that the City of Firebaugh is one of the highest rated call out rates.
- **Elsa Lopez, Police Chief** – Nothing to report.
- **Odi Ortiz, Finance Director** – Currently working on quarterly reports and budget, and reported a 5% rate increase for sewer services, for the 5th consecutive year in order to avoid jeopardizing bond issues.
- **Mario Gouveia, City Engineer** – Nothing to report.
- **Rita Lozano, Deputy City Clerk** – City Clerk Priscilla Meza thanked council and staff for their support during this difficult time.
- **Jose Antonio Ramirez, City Manager** – Two scheduled appointment with California Department of Aeronautics, one on May 5th from 3:00 pm-5:00 pm. The City of Firebaugh has the highest response rate for the 2010 census. EDC will provide a tour of the city and the infrastructure of the community May 4th. From May 5th through the 13th the Friant Dam will release about 500 CSF.

COUNCIL ITEMS

- **Council Member Lake** – Inquired if staff completed the research on when the procedure was changed of the General Warrants and recurring monthly payments (Payroll, insurance) were merged together, because he is not comfortable on making one motion to approve both warrants at the same time.
- **Mayor Pro Tem DeFrancesco** – Added that agendas are received on Thursdays, so if any Council Members have any questions regarding warrants they can go into City Hall and inquire and/or discuss with staff their concern.

**Motion to enter closed session after a five minute break at 7:40 pm by Council Member Lowe; second by Council Member Lake.*

CLOSED SESSION

11. REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATION – REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY – Pursuant to Government Code Section #54956.8.

Owner or Designative Rep. City Negotiator Jose Antonio Ramirez

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Motion to enter open session at 8:01 pm by consensus vote.

ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION

No Action Taken

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Council Member Lowe; second by Council Member Lake, motion carries by unanimous consensus vote, Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.