

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SONORA
SPECIAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 16, 2016**

A Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Sonora was held this date in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 94 North Washington Street, at 3:00 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Ronald Stearn, Mayor Pro-Tem Connie Williams, Councilmembers Bill Canning, George Segarini and Jim Garaventa; City Administrator Tim Miller, City Clerk Marijane Cassinetto, Contract City Attorney Byron Smith, Community Development Director Rachelle Kellogg, Interim Finance Director Bijan Sadeghian, Police Chief Mark Stinson and Fire Chief Aimee New. Absent: Interim City Engineer Gerard Fuccillo.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT ON POSTING OF AGENDA

City Clerk Cassinetto advised Council that at 8:30 a.m. on the 12th day of February, 2016, the Agenda for the City of Sonora Special Council Meeting scheduled for this date was posted outside City Hall for public view.

PUBLIC FORUM (Non-Agenda)

None

DISCUSSION TOPICS

Review and Possible Council Direction Regarding the Recurring and Special Assignments Work Plan. Administrator Miller presented by power point an overview departmentally of ongoing programs and activities and current and pending project assignments and status.

Mayor Stearn asked for public input. A member of the public had concerns about the number of people being hit by vehicles on Washington Street and Stockton Street, concern about the lighting and line striping; she said that website technology needs to be updated, and she feels the business inspections and Fire Department are important. She said the powder coated garbage cans are looking really nice and is looking forward to the new recycling bins.

Henry Ohls stated that he would like to work with the Council and Staff to develop a strategic plan with the goal of bringing more people to Council Meetings, and build towards a collaborative community having the public become involved in projects, involving leadership and youth, and the development of pathways for youth. Ohls distributed his suggestions to the Council titled "Steps In Producing a 3-Year Strategic Plan for the City of Sonora" as to how to implement a plan. Mayor Pro-Tem Williams said that it would be a nice synergy with young people and the public, and suggested that Administrator Miller meet with Ohls. Councilmember Segarini stated that interaction with youth is a good idea. Mayor Stearn said it has been his experience that people come to meetings when it affects them personally. Miller will set a meeting with Ohls.

There was no further public comment.

Councilmembers and Staff discussed the pending Projects and Assignments for Administration and Finance to set priorities. It was the consensus of Council to set the following priorities: classification/compensation study, health benefit review, Restano crosswalk including intersection lighting and striping on Washington Street, Woods Creek Park well, parking lot study - permit fee and public use, and community art. Projects which will be done after those first prioritized will be road closure study, capital improvement plan and business license fee update. Administrative Miller will come back with time frames.

Community Development Director Kellogg reviewed Community Development ongoing activities, current assignments, and pending projects and assignments. Mayor Pro-Tem Williams suggested adding expansion of community events to Community Development.

Administrator Miller reviewed status on ongoing activities, current assignments and pending projects and assignments for the Police, Fire and Public Works Departments. Mayor Pro-Tem Williams suggested adding the Storm Drainage Master Plan on to Public Works projects for the future.

Administrator Miller will come back with time frames for current assignments, and show short term and long term priorities.

ADJOURN

The Council adjourned its Special Meeting at 4:32 p.m. into its Regular Session prior to Closed Session. Mayor Stearn asked for any public input; there being none, the Council convened into its Closed Session in the downstairs Main Conference Room at 4:35 p.m.

Marijane Cassinetta, City Clerk