

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SONORA
APRIL 16, 2018**

A Regular 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 5:00 p.m. The following members were present: Mayor Connie Williams, Mayor Pro-Tem Jim Garaventa, Councilmembers Matt Hawkins, Mark Plummer, George Segarini; City Administrator Tim Miller, City Clerk Marijane Cassinetta, City Attorney Douglas White, Fire Chief Aimee New, Interim Police Chief Turu VanderWiel, Community Development Director Rachelle Kellogg. Absent: Interim Engineer Gerard Fuccillo.

Mayor Williams reported that there was no Closed Session Meeting this date.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT ON POSTING OF AGENDA

City Clerk Cassinetta advised Council that at 1:00 p.m. on the 13th day of April, 2018, the Agenda for the City of Sonora Council Meeting scheduled for this date was posted outside City Hall for public view.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

No changes.

PRESENTATIONS

Vision Sonora Awards of Excellence. The Mayor determined that none of the recipients were present, and said that the Awards would be extended to a future Meeting.

Introduction and Swearing In of Police Sergeant Curtis Hankins. Interim Police Chief VanderWiel introduced newly promoted Sergeant Curtis Hankins. Recognizing his exemplary testing and career accomplishments, Hankins was sworn in by the Chief with his family at his side, and he was congratulated by the Council.

Proclamations. City Clerk Cassinetta read the following two Proclamations:

1. Proclaiming April 2018 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and each future April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month; and
2. Proclaiming April 2018 as Child Abuse Prevention Month

Representing the District Attorney's Office, Victim Witness Coordinator Ginger Martin received the Proclamations and thanked the Council. She reviewed the purpose and services of the Victim Witness Program. A member of the public noted that the statistics have changed regarding the number of women who will experience sexual violence from 1 in 4, to 1 in 3.

MOTION by Mayor Pro-Tem Garaventa, second by Councilmember Plummer, and unanimously carried that said Proclamations be approved with the statistical correction made to the Proclamation regarding Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gary Johnson and Robin Roland, participants in the Leadership Tuolumne County Class of 2017-2018, presented their Volunteer Fair Project which has been organized to bring members of the community together to meet with organizations looking for volunteers thus providing many opportunities for volunteerism. The Volunteer Fair will be held on Thursday, April 26, 2018, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds in the John Muir Building.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION by Councilmember Segarini, second by Mayor Pro-Tem Garaventa, that the Consent Calendar be approved as follows:

1. Approval of the Council Minutes for the Regular Council Meetings of April 2, 2018;
2. Approval to pay invoices for previously budgeted expenses on April 17, 2018, in the amount of \$215,992.56; and
3. Approval of disbursements in the amount of \$139,500.78, on April 13, 2018, for payroll, inclusive of employee salaries, employer and employee taxes and retirement contributions, and miscellaneous voluntary employee deductions. There was no public comment, and the MOTION passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation by the Tuolumne County Visitors Bureau. Administrator Miller informed the Council that the City has the opportunity to comment on the Tuolumne County Visitors Bureau (TCVB) 2-Year Marketing Plan and the 2-Year Budget before adoption by the TCVB Board. TCVB Executive Director Lisa Mayo presented program highlights contained in its Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 and its 2-Year Destination Marketing Plan for 2018/19 through 2019/20. Communications and Tourism Manager Katie Kirkland presented information on Media, Travel Trade and Public Relations. Mayo reviewed the Budget highlighting the Marketing Program and invited the Council to attend the TCVB Marketing Meeting at the Visitors Bureau on April 25, 2018, at 1 p.m., and to attend the TCVB's California Tourism Road Shows as follows: May 15, 2018, from 9 a.m. to Noon at the Groveland Museum; May 16, 2018, from 9 a.m. to Noon at Hurst Ranch in Jamestown; and May 18, 2018, from 9 a.m. to

Noon at the Mi-Wuk Lodge Christian Retreat Center in Mi-Wuk. The Council thanked Mayo for her presentation.

The Mayor asked for any public comment. A member of the public said that he had received positive feedback from his brother who saw Tuolumne County featured in the Travel Section of the *Los Angeles Times*.

MOTION by Councilmember Plummer, second by Mayor Pro-Tem Garaventa, and unanimously carried that the TCVB's 2-Year Marketing Plan and 2-Year Budget be accepted as presented.

Resolution No. 04-16-2018-A Relating to SB1 Funding. The Council considered approving Resolution No. 04-16-2018-A which adopts a list of projects for Fiscal Year 2018-19 funded by SB-1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. Noting that Staff proposes the funds be used for street overlay projects, Administrator Miller reported that the City will receive \$33,537 in this current fiscal year; the amount received for FY 2019 will be \$86,993. Miller commented that these funds would cover about 1/2 mile of overlay, and also noted that with a combination of other available road monies, he estimates the availability of 1.4 million dollars over the next 10 years. Miller also noted that the streets in the worst condition will be selected for paving.

The Mayor asked for public comment. There being none, upon **MOTION by Councilmember Plummer, second by Mayor Pro-Tem Garaventa, it was unanimously carried that Resolution No. 04-16-2018-A be approved and adopted which approves street overlay project(s), as the amount of funding allows, in various locations throughout the City (to be determined) beginning in the Spring of 2019 with a useful life of at least 15 years.**

MONTHLY REPORTS

1. Community Development Department
2. Fire Department
3. Police Department
4. Public Works Department

No public comment.

VISION SONORA COMMITTEE REPORT

Mayor Williams gave the Vision Sonora Committee Report for its Meeting of April 12, 2016. A copy of said Report is attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and is included herein for reference. There was no public comment.

COMMUNICATIONS

None. No public comment.

COUNCILMEMBER/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Community Development Director Kellogg reported that the City-sponsored Annual Spring Festival will be held downtown on Saturday,

April 28, 2018, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. which includes live music, art and craft vendors, kids activities and merchant specials. **Kellogg** also noted that a new City brochure will be published twice a year and will be tied to the City's website. **Kellogg** also noted that only one proposal for engineering services was received on the Stockton/Washington Transit Project which was from Kimley Horn; because only one was received, the City is required to request sole source approval from Caltrans before moving forward. **Fire Chief New** noted that the Fire Department will be selling tri-tip sandwiches and snow cones during the Spring Festival at the Fire Museum parking lot. **New** also reported that she is hopeful that the old fire pumper will be repaired in time to compete at the historic Columbia Muster which will be held on May 5, 2018. **Administrator Miller** reported that four cannabis applications have been received, and he will be setting up interviews. **Councilmember Segarini** reported that he attended the Tuolumne County Transportation Council Meeting and the Tuolumne County Chamber Government Affairs Council Meeting. **Mayor Williams** reported that she will not be in attendance at the Council Meeting of May 7, 2018, and asked Mayor Pro-Tem Garaventa to sit in for her; he responded that he would. **Williams** noted that she attended the Tuolumne County Chamber Government Affairs Council Meeting. In addition, **Williams** referred to correspondence she received from the Mayor of the City of Alamitos reporting its Council's vote to exempt itself from SB54 (relating to California Sanctuary State law) and to abide by the U.S. Constitution. The letter asks that the Sonora take similar action. **City Attorney White** suggested that it be brought back to the Council as an informational item, and due to the absence of the Mayor at the next Meeting on May 7, 2018, that it be placed on the Council Agenda for the Meeting of May 21, 2018.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the Regular Session Meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting on Monday, May 7, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Marijane Cassinetto, City Clerk Date

Minutes Approved By
Sonora City Council
On 5/7/18

VS Committee Report - April 16

To mcass72@comcast.net

The VS Committee met on April 12, 2016. In attendance were Tim Miller, Rachelle Kellogg, Sherri Brennan, Darin Grossi and Connie Williams. Absent were Mark Plummer and John Gray.

The only action item was Consideration of a recommendation to the City Council to direct wood Rodgers, Inc. to prepare and submit an Active Transportation Program Grant Application for Cycle Four based upon the conceptual design presented for the Washington Street. The Committee voted unanimously on the recommendation.

Connie Williams gave the report from the Community Design and Marketing Committee. There were nine members of the committee in attendance at the April 10, 2018 meeting. It was noted a bench has been adopted by the Sonora Rotary Club in memory of former Mayor/Councilmember Ron Stearn. The bench will be placed at City Hall. It was announced that the City Council has directed staff to do the environmental evaluation of E. Linoberg for the possible permanent closure. It was noted that Mayor Williams wrote a guest editorial on the Vision Sonora Plan and it appeared in the Union Democrat on March 29th. The Committee is working with the Tuolumne County Land Trust on possibly six dog waste bag dispensers for Historic Sonora. Work is being done in Grigsby Park to update it with plants, paint, etc. Also, the committee is working on updating the planters at the City Hall parking garage. There are many projects in various state of completion that the committee continues to work on. Next meeting will be held on Ma 5th @ 1:30pm

Committee member Plummer, who heads up the Finance, Transportation and Mobility Committee, was not in attendance and therefore there was no report.

Connie Williams
VS Committee Chair
Mayor, City of Sonora (2016-2018)
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EXHIBIT "A"

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