

MEETING MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING COMMISSION  
BOARDS OF THE CITY OF WESTMORLAND FOR May 19, 2021

The City Council of the City of Westmorland met in regular meeting in City Hall on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 6:00 PM. Mayor Ana Beltran called the meeting in order at 6:00 PM and Darlene Berber led the invocation.

Present at time of roll call: Mayor Ana Beltran Mayor Pro Tem Xavier Mendez, Judith Rivera, Justina Cruz, Ray Gutierrez and City Attorney Mitch Driskill.

Due to the stay home notice council meeting in the chamber room is not open to the public but available via zoom in telephone, also present were Chief of Police Perry Monita, Westmorland Fire Department Michael Ginnis, Ramiro Barajas present via zoom phone callers

Public comments:

None

Council, Staff & Consultants – Discussion and Action:

Discussion/Action: Re-Open the Council Chambers to public- Ana Beltran **Motion to re-open to chamber room to the public with follow county health and CDC guidelines by X. Mendez Second by J. Rivera AIF Motion Passed**

Discussion/Action: Seeking approval to build porch in backyard at 200 east 2nd street- Mitch Driskill/Adrian Castaneda **Motion to Approve by X. Mendez Second by J. Cruz AIF Motion Passed**

Discussion/Action: J. Johnson requesting reimbursement for Clean-Rite Drain & Plumbing- Council/Jason Johnson **Tabled till June 2, 2021**

Discussion/Action: Westmorland Unified Superintendent is requesting that 3rd street at the school B Street closed from June 1, 2021 –June 3, 2021 for school promotions – Council/Richard Cordero **Motion to Approve by J. Rivera Second by R. Gutierrez AIF Motion Passed**

Discussion/Action: Camera's for fire station – Micheal Ginnis - **Tabled till Special Meeting**

Discussion/Action: Approval to take fire department command vehicle to new residents – Micheal Ginnis **Tabled**

Staff Reports Non-Action Items:

City Clerk- Darlene Berber Motioned working with Calxico Neighborhood House on getting the Cottage Food Program Applications working with the cities with the residence permits and as soon as workshop info and links are prepared will be available on the city website. Board members binders will be consolidated. Due to audits and payment requests to not be off cycle all invoices and expected payments going out from the city need to be turned in the Thursday prior to the city council meetings for all departments. Working with youth groups and community members on painting over the graffiti.

Public Works- Ramiro Barajas **Item for closed session**

Consent Agenda:

Update: Economic Development OTC Grant Application – Terri Nava **NO Motion Needed**

Discussion/Action: Water shut-offs- Council/Justina Cruz **Direction by Council Refer to Policies on this and make sure water clerk has copy on desk**

Discussion/Action: Building permit fee refund to NS Construction. – Joel Hamby **Tabled**

Approval/Action: Approval of May 5th, 2021 Minutes and City Warrants. **Motion by J. Rivera Second by R. Gutierrez AIF Motion Passed**

Old Business:

Discussion/Review-2021-2022 Budget – Council/Terri Nava **Tabled till Budget review**

Closed Session:

Discussion/Review-Public Employee Appointment (Front Office Supervisor)  
Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Gov't Code §54956.9(b) – one case.

City Council adjourned into Closed Session at 6:33pm adjourned back into regular meeting at 8:14pm.  
Motion to adjourn this meeting at pm by **Motion by J. Rivera Second by R. Gutierrez AIF Motion passed.**

Next regular meeting in June and will be held on Wednesday 2nd, 2021. Special Meeting May 26, 2021 at 6:00pm.

/s/ Darlene Berber

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Darlene Berber, City Clerk

/s/ Ana Beltran

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Ana Beltran, Mayor

Submitted for approval 6/2/2021

Approved