# MEETING MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING COMMISSION BOARDS OF THE CITY OF WESTMORLAND FOR OCTOBER 6, 2021

The City Council of the City of Westmorland met in regular meeting in City Hall on Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at 6:00PM. Mayor Pro Tem Xavier Mendez called the meeting in order at 6:03PM and Darlene Berber led the invocation during regular meeting.

Present at time of roll call: Rivera Mayor Pro Tem Xavier Mendez, Justina Cruz Ray Gutierrez, Justina Cruz, Judi Rivera Also Present City Attorney Mitch Driskill and City Clerk Darlene Berber ABSENT Mayor Ana Beltran

### Oral Communication - Public & Staff

City Clerk announces Booster Shot Clinic tomorrow for Pfizer and Moderna at Westmorland Youth Hall from 5pm -7pm PMH mobile first come first serve not pre-registration required. Council member Justina Cruz mentioned also walking into Valley Medical

Mayor Pro Tem – Introduces our new front Office Supervisor Tami Castro

## Council, Staff & Consultants – Discussion/Action

Discussion/Action: City to start receiving Christmas in the park donations – Mayor Ana Beltran/Mayor Pro Tem Xavier Mendez – Christmas in the park will be December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and asked Fire Department to give rides again. Toys donated must be new and unwrapped. **Mayor Pro Tem mentioned this is Discussion/Update no action needed.** 

Discussion/Action: Tower Point proposal for cell tower lease- Not Present Mayor Ana Beltran/Connor Jacobson - **Tabled** 

Discussion/Update: Condition of City Street Sweeper and CR & R's plans for repair. – Ramiro Barajas asked to be tabled and speak in closed session. Mayor Pro Tem stated this will come back after closed session.

Discussion/Action: 2021/2022 CR&R trash rate increase. – Matt Gray/Mayor Ana Beltran – **Tabled till after closed session** 

Old Business – Discussion/Action

Discussion/Action: City staff requesting option to opting out of City paid insurance benefits and receive differential allowance after providing proof of enrollment - Mayor Ana Beltran/Ramiro Barajas – **Tabled until after closed session** 

### **Staff Reports Non-Action Items:**

<u>Police Department</u> – Perry Monita – Had a board for interviews awaiting backgrounds

<u>Fire Department</u> - Sergio Cruz – mentioned the fire station is getting new volunteers coming in and the fire station is opened every day

<u>Public Works</u>- Ramiro Barajas – Nothing to Report

City Hall Supervisor- Tami Castro – Nothing to Report

<u>City Clerk</u> - Darlene Berber – For upcoming event the public works department is partnering up with the Westmorland Presbyterian Community Church for a Trunk or Treat on October 28<sup>th</sup> from 7pm -8pm vehicle registration is due in Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>. Mayor wanted to give an update for the IVRCC event went very well. Honey Festival is a go and upcoming Honey Festival meetings coming up.

#### **Consent Agenda:**

<u>Approval/Action:</u> Approval of Special & Regular September 15th, 2021 Minutes and City Warrants. – Council woman Rivera questions the minutes specifically the mentioning of \$15. **Motion to Approve City Warrants Only by J. Rivera and 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Cruz. Motion Approved** 

Closed Session:

Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Gov't Code §54956.9(b) – one case.

Public Employee Appointment, Employment, or Evaluation (Fire Department) (Gov.t Code §54957(b)(1).)

City Council adjourned into Closed Session at 6:24pm adjourned back into regular meeting at 7:22pm Nothing to Report from Closed Session

Condition of City Street Sweeper and CR & R's plans for repair. – Tabled till October 20th, 2021

2021/2022 CR&R trash rate increase. – Tabled till October 20th, 2021

City staff requesting option to opting out of City paid insurance benefits and receive differential allowance after providing proof of enrollment – Tabled till October 20<sup>th</sup>,2021

#### **After Closed Session:**

Approved

Discussion / Action: Claim for money damages from Imperial Hay Sales in the amount of \$1,125. – Council **TABLED** 

Motion to adjourn this meeting at 7:27pm by Motion by Judy Rivera Second by Justina Cruz AIF - Next regular meeting in October and will be held on Wednesday 20, 2021.

/s/ Darlene Berber	/s/ Ana Beltran
Darlene Berber, City Clerk	Ana Beltran, Mayor
Submitted for Approval 10/20/2021	