

MEETING MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING COMMISSION BOARDS OF THE CITY OF WESTMORLAND FOR DECEMBER 15, 2021

The City Council of the City of Westmorland met in special/regular meeting in City Hall on Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 6:00PM. Mayor Xavier Mendez called the meeting in order at 6:00PM and Joel Hamby led the invocation during special meeting.

Present at time of roll call: Mayor Xavier Mendez, Ray Gutierrez and Justina Cruz, Also Present City Attorney Mitch Driskill. Present Via Zoom City Clerk Darlene Berber. Mayor Pro Tem Ana Beltran – Absent. Judith Rivera present at 6:12pm

Oral Communication – Public & Staff

Ms. Alicia Cruz – mentioned putting in an information request and then asked about what the process in appointing the Mayorship and if everyone has the opportunity to become mayor. Also asked about closed session and why certain items have the fire department. Mayor also addresses the process Brawley has

Council member Ray Gutierrez invited everyone out for the 2nd Annual Christmas in the park and Light parade will start at 6pm and will go from 1st street and G then down C then back toward 3rd and down F to park. Ms. Alicia Cruz asked if the information was posted because she didn't see it posted. R. Gutierrez stated it was posted at the post office, city hall, and on the city website.

New Business - Discussion/Action:

Administered OATH OF OFFICE of Mayor Xavier Mendez - City Clerk Darlene Berber

Council, Staff & Consultants – Discussion/Action

Discussion/Update: Proclamation to officially recognize January 23-29, 2022 as School Choice Week for Westmorland and All Schools. – Mayor Xavier Mendez **Read**

Discussion/Approval: Paid Observed Holiday Calendar – Council **Motion to approve by J. Cruz 2nd by R. Gutierrez AIF Motion Passed**

Discussion/Action: Apply for Bank Credit Card thru Mechanics Bank– **Mayor Xavier Mendez Tabled till after closed session**

Discussion/Action: First reading of Ordinance 01-21 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTMORLAND MANDATING ORGANIC AND GREEN WASTE RECYCLING FOR COMMERCIAL ENTITIES, MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL UNITS AND SPECIAL EVENTS – Joel Hamby **TABLED**

Discussion/Action: To appoint a City representative to the ICTC TAC and IVRMA TAC – Joel Hamby requesting council to appoint representatives. Mr. Hamby recommends Public Works Director. **Motion to approve Ramiro Barajas to be the rep. for ICTC TAC and Tami Castro to rep. IVMRA TAC by J. Rivera and 2nd by J. Cruz AIF Motion Passed**

Discussion/Action: To approve payment of a \$3,000 plan review to IID for the 7th Street Project – Joel Hamby. **Motion to Approve payment out of Measure D funds J. Rivera and 2nd by J. Cruz AIF Motion Passed**

Discussion/Action: Regarding continuing/discontinuing Development Impact Fee collection and accounting – Joel Hamby

1. Discussion/Update: Pending Ordinance for Increase on Business license Fees and omitting quarterly to yearly only – City Clerk Darlene Berber
2. Discussion/Approval: For the amended 2021/2022 budget. – Mayor Pro Tem Ana Beltran/Terri Nava

Staff Reports Non-Action Items:

- **City Treasurer – Terri Nava**
- **Police Department – Perry Monita**
- **Fire Department - Sergio Cruz**
- **Public Works- Ramiro Barajas**
- **City Hall Supervisor- Tami Castro**
- **City Clerk - Darlene Berber**

Consent Agenda:

Approval/Action: Approval of City Warrants, Revised Regular September 15th, 2021, Special November 9th, 2021, and November 17th, 2021 Minutes. **Motion to approve City Warrants only by J. Cruz and 2nd by J. Rivera**

Closed Session:

Public Employee Appointment, Employment, Evaluation or Dismissal (Fire Department) (Gov.t Code §54957(b)(1).) Public Employee Compensation (Government Code 54957.6) City Council adjourned into Closed Session at 7:07pm adjourned back into regular meeting at 8:46pm from closed session

Nothing to Report After Closed Session

Motion to adjourn this meeting at 8:50pm by Motion by R. Gutierrez and 2nd by Mayor X. Mendez AIF - Next regular meeting in January and will be held on Wednesday 5, 2021.

/s/ Darlene Berber

Darlene Berber, City Clerk

/s/ Xavier Mendez

Xavier Mendez, Mayor

Submitted for Approval 1/5/2022

Approved 1/05/2022