

**MEETING MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING  
COMMISSION  
BOARDS OF THE CITY OF WESTMORLAND  
January 4, 2022  
6:00 PM**

The City Council of the City of Westmorland met in City Hall Council Chambers on Wednesday, January 4, 2022 at 6:00 PM. Mayor Xavior Mendez, called the meeting in order at 6:00 PM and led the invocation during meeting.

Present at time of Roll Call: Mayor Xavior Mendez, Mayor Pro-Tem Ana Beltran, Councilwoman Justina Cruz, Councilwoman Judy Rivera, Councilman Ray Gutierrez and City Attorney Mitch Driskill.

Absent: Christine Pisch City Clerk

**Council, Staff & Consultants – Discussion/Action:**

1. Discussion/ Action: Appoint New Mayor and Department Commissioners. - Council. City council discussed the whom should be next in running for mayor. Mr. Mendez and Mrs. Beltran nominated for Mrs. Rivera and Mr. Villalon Nominated Mrs. Cruz. Marjory of voted was in favor for Mrs. Rivera for City Mayor. Mrs. Rivera then took her seat as mayor and asked Mrs. Beltran to continue to be Mayor Pro-Tem and Mrs. Beltran accepted. Council proceeded to choosing the new commissioner for departments.
  - i. Mrs. Rivera- City Hall Office
  - ii. Mrs. Beltran- Fire/ Police Department
  - iii. Mrs. Cruz- Parks and Recreation
  - iv. Mr. Villalon- Streets
  - v. Mr. Mendez- Public Works
2. Discussion/ Action: Pending Quill purchases paid through the USDA Fire Department Grant. By Sergio Cruz Fire Chief. Mr. Cruz discussed to council that the future purchase will be made from the Fire Department USDA Grant. Mrs. Beltran motioned to passed the purchase made through the USDA Grant seconded by Mr. Mendez. Approved 4-0.
3. Discussion/ Action: Discussion of 2023 State of California Minimum Wage Increase. By Tami Castro City Hall Office Supervisor. Mrs. Castro discussed to council the recent law change of the Minimum increase. She stated that the rate went up to \$15.50 an hour for employees who are currently at \$15.00. as well that the new increase is mandatory for all employment no matter the amount for workers or position.

4. Discussion/ Action: Approval on Previous discussion on allowing council to attend and vote via phone in Regular Schedule Meetings. By Ana Beltran Mayor Pro Tem. Council rediscussed due to the pandemic the need of the procedure. Mr. Mendez Motioned to approve second by Mrs. Beltran. 4-0 approved.

### **Old Business:**

1. Discussion/Action: Approval on Credit Card System Update. By Tami Castro City Hall Office Supervisor. **Tabled till January 18<sup>th</sup>.**
2. Discussion/Action: Approval on Renovation on City Hall and City Council Chambers Office. By Tami Castro City Hall Office Supervisor. Mrs. Castro presented to council the more detailed quote as well as visual presentation. Council requested to have the item brought back with more information on his licensing's. **Tabled till January 18<sup>th</sup>.**
3. Discussion/ Action: Discussion of ARPA Funding. By Teri Nava City Treasurer. **Tabled to January 18<sup>th</sup>.**

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

- **Police Department Perry Monita Police Chief** – reports he's one officer down that he'll be back 6-8 weeks.
- **Fire Department Sergio Cruz Fire Chief** – reports to have emergency item for fire truck repair but was resolved due to quick lube invoice being on demand list.
- **Public Works Ramiro Barajas** – reports locks where changed at Senior Center, doors are to old that they need to be replaced. States the storage unit at the center only has old chair and miscellaneous items.
- **City Hall Supervisor Tami Castro** – repost due to Christmas In the Park event the rental chairs came up missing and suggest for future events to purchase our own.
- **City Treasurer Terri Nava** – N/A
- **City Clerk Christine Pisch** – Absent.

**Closed Session:** Public Employee Compensation (*Government Code 54957.6*) - Public Service Employees Job descriptions and salary scales, as well as Appointment, Employment, or evaluation and possible management position (*Gov't. Code §54957(b)(1).*)

- City Council

**Nothing to report back.**

### **Consent Agenda:**

- Approval/Action: Approval of November 16, 2022 Meeting Minutes, and City Warrants.  
*Motion to Approve only Warrant list by Mrs. Cruz Second Mrs. Beltran. 4-0 approved.*

**Adjournment:**

Adjourned Meeting Motioned by Council man Mr. Mendez second by Mrs. Beltran. 4-0  
Approved.

*Time ending at 6:32PM.*

Next Regular Meeting: January 18, 2023 at 6:00 PM.

/s/ Christine Pisch

*Christine C. Pisch*

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Christine Pisch, City Clerk

/s/ Judith C. Rivera

*Judith C. Rivera*

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Judith C. Rivera, Mayor

*Submitted for Approval: January 17, 2023.*