

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND CITY  
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTMORLAND  
6:00 PM WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2023**

**MINUTES**

Call to Order – Mayor Judith Rivera  
Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation  
Roll Call Oral Communication – Public & Staff

**IN ATTENDANCE**

J. Rivera, A. Beltran, R Gutierrez, X. Mendez, J. Cruz

*Mayor's Message*

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***Brown Act AB 361:***

**Location:** Westmorland City Hall Council Chambers 355 S Center Street

**Regular City Council Meeting:**

**Oral Communication-Public**

1. Westmorland 4-H Program- Proclamation National 4-H month of November.

Westmorland 4-H presented a Proclamation for National 4-H month. 4-H members read aloud the Proclamation declaring November as National 4-H month.

Alex Cardenas and Lee Hernandez from IID presented a new program to assist with energy bills.

Council Member Cruz announced a Thanksgiving dinner being served at the senior center.

Stella Mata expressed her concerns about traffic violations in the City.

Roy Rosas expressed concerns about Street Lights and the need for more police presence in towns.

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

1. Discussion/Action: Approval on RESOLUTION 23-15 FOR ACCEPTING FUNDS FROM THE 2021-2022 COPS FUNDS GRANT (AB 1584) - Interim Chief Monita  
Resolution approved with a motion by Beltran, seconded by Mendez. Motion passed 5/0
2. Discussion/ Action: Appoint New Mayor and Department Commissioners. - City Council  
No Action taken.
3. Discussion/Action: Abatement Notice Update at 230 W. Second St.- Tami Castro City Hall  
Supervisor  
Extension granted to property owner until February 15, 2024. Motion approved 5/0.
4. Discussion/Action: SCDR Grant Fund Shift Request- Joel Hamby Streets Director  
Motion was approved by a vote of 5/0.

**Consent Agenda:**

1. Approval/Action: Approval on Meeting Minutes for November 1, 2023 & City Warrants.

**Staff Reports Non-Action Items:**

- Fire Department - Sergio Cruz
- Public Works Director - Ramiro Barajas
- City Hall Supervisor – Tami Castro
- City Treasurer- Teri Nava
- City Clerk – Marissa Crenshaw

**Closed Session:**

- 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).) Westmorland Police Department, Public works maintenance worker for approval of hiring, City Manager– City Council No Reportable Action

**Adjournment:** Next regular scheduled meeting December 6, 2023.  
Motion to Adjourn was approved 5/0.

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