

LINDSAY CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

City Hall, 251 E. Honolulu St., Lindsay, CA 93247

Lindsay Council Chambers 251 E Honolulu St., Lindsay CA 93247

Tuesday May 14, 2024 6:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Caudillo called to order the regular meeting of the Lindsay City Council at 5:59 p.m. in the Council Chamber located at 251 E. Honolulu St.

2. ROLL CALL

Council Present: Mayor Pro Tem Ramiro Serna Councilmember Hipolito Cerros Councilmember Yolanda Flores Councilmember Rosaena Sanchez

Council Absent: Mayor Ramona Caudillo

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Councilmember Flores.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was motioned by Councilmember Sanchez, seconded by Councilmember Flores, and carried 4 to 0 (Mayor Caudillo absent) to approve the agenda.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following provided public comment: John Peele provided comment pertaining to the City palm trees and sidewalks; Danny Salinas thanked the City for its support during the Orange Blossom Festival, and Dennis Doanne provided updates pertaining to the Lindsay Chamber of Commerce.

6. COUNCIL REPORT

Council reported out on recent events and discussed items of interest.

7. CITY MANAGER REPORT

The City Manager reported out on recent events and discussed items of interest.

8. **PRESENTATIONS**

8.1 Introduction of New Employees: Maegan Peton, City Clerk & Assistant to the City Manager and Lance Rowell, Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Presented by: Armando Da Silva, Acting City Manager.

Acting City Manager Armando Da Silva introduced new employees Lance Rowell and Maegan Peton.

8.2 Project Updates: Lindsay Olive Growers East Pond Closure; Olive Bowl Rehabilitation Project 3-Phase Site Plan & Funding; and Lindmore Street Rehabilitation Project -Tulare County Partnership.

Presented by: Neyba Amezcua, Principal Project Manager – QK, Inc.

Principal Project Manager at QK, Inc, Neyba Amezcua provided a presentation for Council review.

Public comment was provided by Wendy Sinclair pertaining to the Olive Bowl Rehabilitation Project.

9. PROCLAMATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

- **9.1 Declare May 2024 as Mental Health Awareness Month in the City of Lindsay.** Mayor Pro Tem Serna read the proclamation.
- 9.2 Resolution of Commendation for Lindsay Unified School District Psychologist Mae Saechao.

Mayor Pro Tem Serna read the Resolution of Commendation and presented it to Mae Saechao.

9.3 Certificate of Recognition for their Support During the Orange Blossom Festival: Kiwanis of Lindsay, Top Notch Security, and the Lindsay High School Football Team.

Mayor Pro Tem Serna presented certificates of recognition to Kiwanis of Lindsay, Top Notch Security, and representatives of the Lindsay High School Football Team.

10. CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Councilmember Cerros, seconded by Councilmember Sanchez, and carried 4 to 0 (Mayor Caudillo absent) to approve the items on the Consent Calendar as presented.

- 10.1 Waive the Reading of Ordinance and Approve by Title Only.
 Recommended Action: Approve the reading by title only of all ordinances and that further reading of such ordinances be waived.
 Submitted by: Maegan Peton, City Clerk
- 10.2 Approve the Minutes of the regular and/or special Meeting of April 9, 2024. Recommended Action: Approve as submitted. Submitted by: Araceli Mejia, Deputy City Clerk
- 10.3 Warrant List March 30, 2024 Through May 5, 2024.
 Recommended Action: Accept the Warrant List for transaction dates of March 30 through May 5, 2024.
 Submitted by: Hilda Gomez, Acting Finance Director
- 10.4 April 2024 Monthly Treasurer's Report.
 Recommended Action: Accept the April 2024 Monthly Treasurer's Report.
 Submitted by: Hilda Gomez, Acting Finance Director
- 10.5 Appointment of the City Clerk.
 Recommended Action: Consider the approval of Resolution 24-09 appointing Maegan Peton as City Clerk.
 Submitted by: Armando Da Silva, Acting City Manager
- 10.6 Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

Recommended Action: Consider the approval of Resolution 24-11 ordering the preparation of an Engineers Report for Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

Submitted by: Neyba Amezcua, Principal Project Manager for QK, Inc.

10.7 Correction to Salary Matrix.

Recommended Action: Consider the approval of Resolution No. 24-10, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Lindsay approving a Salary Schedule with the position of the Recreation Coordinator, which was approved by council on June 13th, 2023, under Item #10.7; and to include the correct salary rate for the Public Safety Lieutenants after the City Council approved Item 10.2 on November 8th, 2022.

Submitted by: Armando Da Silva, Acting City Manager

PULLED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM(S)

10.8 Updated Project List for McDermont Sales Proceeds.

Recommended Action: Consider the approval of the updated projects to be funded through the remaining McDermont sales proceeds. **Submitted by:** Hilda Gomez, Acting Finance Director

Councilmember Sanchez pulled this item for clarification. Following discussion, this item was approved in one motion with the remaining items on the consent calendar.

11. ACTION ITEMS

11.1 Christmas Décor Budget for Fiscal Year 2024/2025.

Action & Recommendation: City Staff recommends that the City Council select and direct City Staff on the purchase and/or rental of City Christmas Decorations for the Financial Year 2025 Budget.

Submitted by: Armando Da Silva, Acting City Manager

Public Comment: There were no public comments.

Council Action: It was moved by Councilmember Sanchez, seconded by Councilmember Flores, and carried 4 to 0 to approve the budget allocation of \$35,000 for the purchase and/or rental of City Christmas decorations for the Financial Year 2025 budget; and to direct staff to reach out to local schools, services clubs, and businesses to see if they would like to donate or sponsor decorations.

12. EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

Council recessed to closed session at 7:27 p.m.

12.1 Conference with Labor Negotiators

Pursuant to Cal Gov. Code § 54957.6 Agency Designated Representative: Sheline K Bennett. Employee Organization: Lindsay Professional Firefighters' Association and the Lindsay Police Officers' Association

12.2 Public Employment

Pursuant to Cal Gov. Code § 54957 Title: Interim City Manager

12.3 Threat to Public Services or Facilities

Pursuant to Cal Gov. Code § 54957 Consultation with: Acting City Manager Armando Da Silva and City Attorney Megan Crouch

RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

Council reconvened from closed session at 8:04 p.m.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION REPORT

Mayor Pro Tem Serna advised there was no reportable action.

13. REQUEST FOR FUTURE ITEMS

There were no requests for future items.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Approved by Council: May 28, 2024.

Ramona Caudillo, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maegan Peton, City Clerk

The next Regular Meeting of the Lindsay City Council is scheduled to be held on 5/28/2024.