



LINDSAY CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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

Tuesday, July 23, 2024
6:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

Proper notice of this meeting was given pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2 and 54956.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Daymon Qualls, City Attorney Megan Crouch, City Clerk Maegan Peton, Acting Director of Public Safety Ryan Heinks, Director of Finance Lacy Meneses, Director of Recreation Armando da Silva, Records Clerk and Translator Daisy Flores, Administrative Supervisor Marshall Chairez

6:00 p.m. – REGULAR MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Serna called to order the regular meeting of the Lindsay City Council at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber located at 251 E. Honolulu St.

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Pro Tem Flores.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was motioned by Mayor Serna, seconded by Councilmember Sancehz, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda with the modification of changing item 9.3 from a consent item to a public hearing item.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mercy Herrera provided public comment thanking the City and County for their collaboration on the Lindmore Street project.

Dennis Doane with the Lindsay Chamber of Commerce thanked City staff and provided updates for Council.

6. COUNCIL REPORT

Council reported on recent events and items of interest.

7. CITY MANAGER REPORT

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

8. RECOGNITIONS

8.1 Resolution of Commendation for Armando da Silva.

Presented by: Mayor Pro Tem Serna

Mayor Serna presented to the Resolution of Commendation for Armando da Silva.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

It was motioned by Councilmember Cerros, seconded by Mayor Serna and unanimously carried to approve the items on the Consent Calendar as presented.

9.1 Waive the Reading of Ordinance and Approve by Title Only.

Action & Recommendation: Approve the reading by title only of all ordinances and that further reading of such ordinances be waived.

9.2 Minutes of the regular and/or special Meeting of July 9, 2024.

Action & Recommendation: Approve as submitted.

Submitted by: Maegan Peton, City Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING

9.3 City of Lindsay Fee Schedule.

Action & Recommendation: Consider the Approval of Resolution No 24-26 amending the Fee Schedule for City of Lindsay.

Submitted by: Lacy Meneses, Director of Finance made additional flyers with fees available to the Council and public at the time of the meeting.

Public Hearing Open: The public hearing opened at 6:30 p.m.

Public Comment: Public comment was provided by Mercy Herrera seeking clarification.

Public Hearing Closed: The public hearing closed at 6:35 p.m.

Council Action: Following discussion, it was motioned by Mayor Serna, seconded by Councilmember Cerros, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution 24-26 amending the Fee Schedule for the City of Lindsay.

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

10.1 Animal Control Services for the City of Lindsay.

Action & Recommendation: Discuss the available options for Animal Control within the city and have the council direct city staff regarding provision of animal control services.

Submitted by: Ryan Heinks, Acting Director of Public Safety

Public Comment: There were no public comments.

Council Consensus: It was Council consensus to direct staff to research possible partnerships with local animal service organizations, and to see if an "Adopt-a-Kennel" program would be possible.

11. EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

Council adjourned to closed session at 7:00 p.m.

11.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

Pursuant to Cal Gov. Code § 54956.9

City of Lindsay v. SQM North America, CASE NO. 1:11-cv-00046-DAD-EPG,
Eastern District of California

Council returned from closed session at 7:20 p.m.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION REPORT

City Attorney Megan Crouch reported that Council had unanimously agreed to accept a settlement of \$9.5 million dollars paid to the City by SQM North America, Incorporation. Council also provided authority to the City Manager to sign the settlement agreement as needed.

12. REQUEST FOR FUTURE ITEMS

Mayor Serna requested that staff look into establishing an invocation program for the City Council meetings and Council provided consensus.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Serna adjourned the regular meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Approved by Council: August 13, 2024.

Ramiro Serna, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maegan Peton, City Clerk

*The next Regular Meeting of the Lindsay City Council is scheduled to be held on **August 13, 2024.***