

**RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL
SUCCESSOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
FINANCING AUTHORITY
HOUSING AUTHORITY**

MINUTES

Wednesday, February 15, 2023

Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Present: Mayor Eric A. Bruen; Mayor Pro-Tem Solomon P. Rajaratnam; Vice Mayor Kyle Blades; Council Member Skip Gorman; Council Member L. Scott Hayman;

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Attorney M. Koczanowicz (via WebEx); City Clerk Charlon; Chief McLaughlin; PW Director Reed; P & R Director Wegener; Finance Director Freese

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*Motion To Approve Agenda Moving Item 6 Before Item 3- **Blades - Hayman 5 Ayes***

NOTE: The vote is displayed in bold below each item. For example, **Blades-Rajaratnam** denotes Council Member Blades made the motion and Council Member Rajaratnam seconded the motion. Ayes, Noes, Absents, Abstentions follow.

REGULAR SESSION

PRESENTATION

1. Ridgecrest Tourism Improvement District (RTID) FY22-23 Report & Update **Kari Crutcher**

PUBLIC COMMENT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA - Public comments - L. Corlett

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS/DIRECTION

CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Proposed Action To Approve Draft Minutes Of The Ridgecrest City Council Regular Meeting Dated February 1, 2023 **Charlon**
*Motion To Approve Consent Calendar As Presented - **Blades - Hayman 5 Ayes***

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

3. Discussion Regarding Needed Appointments To Council Committees, Boards, And Commissions **Charlon**

4. Discussion Regarding The Board Of The Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority (IWVGA) **Hayman**

Public comments -M. Neel, R. Wagner

5. A Resolution To Approve The Appropriations Of ARPA Funds To Cover The Topographic Mapping Invoice Of The Kerr McGee Youth Sports Complex In The Amount Of \$28,500, And To Approve AN ON CALL Professional Service Agreement With KSI Engineering Inc. **Wegener**
*Motion To Approve - **Rajaratnam – Hayman 5 Ayes***

6. *A Resolution To Approve An Equipment Donation Agreement Between The City Of Ridgecrest And Indian Wells Valley TV Boosters, Inc.* *M. Freese*
Motion To Approve - Blades - Rajaratnam 5 Ayes

7. *Proposed Approval Of A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest Authorizing The Finance Director To Amend The FY 22-23 Budget To Include The Voter Approved Locally Controlled Measure P Funds* *C. Freese*
 Public comment – S. Connally, M. Neel
Motion To Approve with date change- Blades - Hayman 5 Ayes

COMMITTEE REPORTS

City Organization and Services Committee ('City Org')

Members: Mayor Eric A. Bruen and Skip Gorman
 Meeting: 1st Thursday each month at 5:30 p.m.
 Location: City Hall Council Chambers
 ➤ **Report from 02/02/23**

Parks, Recreation, and Quality of Life Committee

Members: Mayor Eric A. Bruen and Skip Gorman
 Meeting: 1st Tuesday each month at 5:00 p.m.
 Location: Kerr McGee Center Meeting Rooms
 ➤ **Report from 02/07/23**

Economic Development Committee

Members: Kyle Blades and Solomon Rajaratnam
 Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of the Month @ 5:00 p.m.
 Location: City Hall Council Chambers
 ➤ **Report from 02/08/23**

Finance Committee

Members: Mayor Eric A. Bruen and Scott Hayman
 Meeting: 2nd Tuesday each month at 5:30 p.m.
 Location: City Hall Council Chambers
 ➤ **Report from 02/14/23**

Ridgecrest Area Convention and Visitor Bureau (RACVB)

Members: Solomon Rajaratnam and Megan McKenzie (staff)
 Meeting: 4th Wednesday each month at 9:00 a.m.
 Location: California Welcome Center
 ➤ **Next meeting 2/22/23**

Infrastructure Committee

Members: Solomon Rajaratnam and Kyle Blades
 Meeting: 4th Thursday each month at 5:00 p.m.
 Location: City Hall Council Chambers
 ➤ **Next meeting 2/23/23**

OTHER COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS

CITY MANAGER REPORT

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT – 8:30 p.m.