

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

**Minutes**

**May 6, 2020**

**Closed Session – 5:00 p.m.  
Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.**

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**CALL TO ORDER – 5:00 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

Council Present: Mayor Peggy Breeden; Mayor Pro Tem Lindsey Stephens; Vice Mayor Mike Mower;  
Council Members Kyle Blades and L. Scott Hayman  
Council Absent: None  
Staff Present: City Manager Ron Strand; City Clerk Ricca Charlon  
Via Phone: City Attorney Lloyd Pilchen; City Engineer Loren Culp

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Motion To Approve Agenda Made By Stephens, Seconded By Blades.  
Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION - None**

**CLOSED SESSION**

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 subparts (a), (c) and (d)(1)  
*Barrio v. San Bernardino County, U.S. District Court Case No. 4:17-cv-02470-JGB-KK*

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9 Subparts (a), (d)(2) and (e)(3)

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 subparts (a), (c) and (d)(1)  
*Dever v. City of Ridgecrest, Kern County Superior Court Case No. BCV-19-103580*

**REGULAR SESSION 6:00 p.m.**

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT**

3 items heard – direction given, no reportable final action taken

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. *Tobacco Grant Acceptance*

**McLaughlin**

2. *Presentation of Proclamation – Public Works Week*

**Council**

**PUBLIC COMMENT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Public comments heard via phone from D. Matthews, M. Neel, M. Sinnott

**COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS - None**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

3. Proposed Action To Approve Draft Minutes Of The City Of Ridgecrest City Council / Successor Redevelopment Agency / Financing Authority / Housing Authority Regular Meeting Dated April 15, 2020 **Charlon**
4. Resolution Reaffirming and Approving the Annual Investment Policy **Freese**
5. Authorization For The City Manager, Ron Strand To Sign The Notice Of Completion For The Crosswalk Improvements HSIP Project, For The City Clerk To File The Notice Of Completion And For City Staff To Release Retention In The Amount Of Nine Thousand Four Hundred Thirty One Dollars And Sixty Five Cents (\$9,431.65) To The Contractor, S&H Civilworks, Within Thirty (30) Days After Recordation Of The Notice Of Completion **Culp**
6. Authorization For The City Manager, Ron Strand To Sign The Notice Of Completion For The All-Way Stop Intersection Improvements To South Downs Street At The Bowman Road Intersection HSIP Project, For The City Clerk To File The Notice Of Completion And For City Staff To Release Retention In The Amount Of Three Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Four Dollars (\$3,954.00) To The Contractor, S&H Civilworks, Within Thirty (30) Days After Recordation Of The Notice Of Completion **Culp**
7. A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Sign The Notice Of Completion For The HVAC Unit Replacement Project, Authorizing The City Clerk To File The Notice Of Completion And Authorizing The Release Of Retention Funds In The Amount Of Two Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Four Dollars (\$237,864.00) Thirty Days After Recordation Of The Notice Of Completion **Patin**
8. A Resolution Approving The Program Supplement Agreement With The State Of California, Department Of Transportation For The Construction Of Tamarisk Ave **Culp**
9. Ridgecrest Area Convention Visitor Bureau (RACVB) Reports **Charlon**

Items pulled: 4

Motion To Approve Consent Calendar less item 4 Made By Mower, Seconded By Stephens.  
Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.

Item 4: Stephens asked about different options for investing

Motion To Approve Consent Calendar item 4 Made By Stephens, Seconded By Blades.  
Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

10. A Resolution To Approve A Professional Services Agreement With The Engineering Firm Of QK, Inc. In The Amount Of \$142,878.00 For Preliminary Engineering, Environmental, Bid Assistance And Construction Engineering For Crack Seal Work Related To The 2019 Earthquake **Culp**

- L. Culp reviewed staff report

Motion To Approve item 10 Made By Mower, Seconded By Hayman.  
Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.

11. Update On Local COVID-19 Response

**Strand**

Public comments heard via phone from M. Neel, R. Porter

12. Discussion And Potential Action On Limiting Installing 5G Technology In Ridgecrest

**Stephens**

\*Mr. Mower left the meeting @ 7:49 p.m.

- L. Stephens reviewed staff report

Public comments heard via phone from D. Matthews, Unknown caller, Mr. Neel, Mrs. Neel,

- City Council recommended the topic come back for further review

**ORDINANCES**

13. Second Reading And Adoption. Ordinance 20-02, An Ordinance Adopting And Enacting A New Code For The City Of Ridgecrest, California; Providing For The Repeal Of Certain Ordinances Not Included Therein; Providing A Penalty For The Violation Thereof; Providing For The Manner Of Amending Such Code; And Providing When Such Code And This Ordinance Shall Become Effective

**Charlon**

- R. Charlon reviewed staff report

Public comments heard via phone from R. Porter

Motion To Waive Reading In Full Of An Ordinance Adopting And Enacting A New Code For The City Of Ridgecrest, California; Providing For The Repeal Of Certain Ordinances Not Included Therein; Providing A Penalty For The Violation Thereof; Providing For The Manner Of Amending Such Code; And Providing When Such Code And This Ordinance Shall Become Effective *Made By Stephens, Seconded By Blades. Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 4 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 1 Absent (Mower).*

Motion To Adopt, By Title Only, An Ordinance Adopting And Enacting A New Code For The City Of Ridgecrest, California; Providing For The Repeal Of Certain Ordinances Not Included Therein; Providing A Penalty For The Violation Thereof; Providing For The Manner Of Amending Such Code; And Providing When Such Code And This Ordinance Shall Become Effective *Made By Stephens, Seconded By Blades. Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 4 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 1 Absent (Mower).*

14. Approve A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Adopting Certain Fees Per The Direction Of The 2020 Codification Of The Ridgecrest Municipal Code

**Charlon**

*Motion To Approve item 14 Made By Stephens, Seconded By Blades.*

*Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 4 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 1 Absent (Mower).*

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*(Committee Meeting dates are subject to change and will be announced on the City website)*

Finance Committee

- Members: Peggy Breeden and Scott Hayman
- Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month at 5:00 p.m.
- Location: Council Conference Room B
- No report

Infrastructure Committee

- Members: Mike Mower and Lindsey Stephens  
Meeting: 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday each month at 5:00 p.m.  
Location: Council Conference Room B
- Discussed LLD, Wastewater treatment plant update

Economic Development Committee

- Members: Lindsey Stephens and Kyle Blades  
Next Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month @ 5:00 p.m.  
Location: 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room
- No report

Parks, Recreation, and Quality of Life Committee

- Members: Lindsey Stephens and Scott Hayman  
Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday each month at 5:00 p.m.  
Location: Kerr-McGee Center Meeting Rooms
- No report

Ridgecrest Area Convention and Visitors Bureau (RACVB)

- Members: Meliza Ancheta  
Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month, 9:00 a.m.  
Next Meeting: To Be Announced
- Released PSA's and travel advisories in relation to COVID-19, Next meeting May 20 on zoom

**OTHER COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS**

**CITY MANAGER REPORT**


**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Discussion And Potential Action On Limiting Installing 5G Technology In Ridgecrest

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT – 9:06 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Ricca Charlon, City Clerk