

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

**MINUTES**

**September 4, 2019**

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

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**CALL TO ORDER – 5:00 pm**

**ROLL CALL**

Council Present: Mayor Peggy Breeden; Mayor Pro Tem Lindsey Stephens; Council Members L. Scott Hayman & Mike Mower  
Council Absent: Vice Mayor Wallace Martin  
Staff Present: City Manager Ron Strand; City Clerk Ricca Charlton; City Attorney Lloyd Pilchen

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Motion To Approve Agenda Made By Mower, Seconded By Stephens.  
Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 4 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 1 Absent.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION - None**

**Martin came in @ 5:02pm**

**CLOSED SESSION**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PENDING LITIGATION  
Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 subparts (a), (c) and (d)(1)  
Timbisha Shoshone Tribe vs. City of Ridgecrest, AAA case no. 01-19-0002-0488

**REGULAR SESSION – 6:09 pm**

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PENDING LITIGATION

- Discussions with staff; item will reconvene at end of meeting

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Employee Service Awards
2. Life Saving Presentation – Police Officer Michael Ogas

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

- Comments heard from S. Rajtora, S. Morgan, M. Neel, N. White, S. Miller

**COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Mower - Planning Commissioner Warren Cox got a new heart today
- Stephens - Movie night Saturday 9/14/19 @ 730 – Freedom Park - Incredibles 2
- Breeden – Parade of 1000 flags this Saturday 9/7/19 @ 9am

**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 August 21, 2019

Charlton

*Motion To Approve Consent Calendar Item 3 Made By Mower, Seconded By Stephens.  
Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.*

4. Approve A Resolution For Grant Acceptance For A Grant Awarded From The State Of California Office Of Traffic Safety Tucker

- M. Neel commented on DUI check points

*Motion To Approve Consent Calendar Item 4 Made By Mower, Seconded By Hayman.  
Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.*

#### DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

5. A Resolution Approving The Project List For Fiscal Year 2019-20 For The California State Of Good Repair (SGR) Program For The Following Project: Corpyard Solar Power System Smith

- B. Lower reviewed staff report
- Public comments heard from M. Neel, M. Richter, S. Miller

*Motion To Approve Item 5 Made By Mower, Seconded By Stephens.  
Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.*

6. Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Confirming The Continuance Of A Local Emergency

McLaughlin

- J. McLaughlin reviewed staff report

*Motion To Approve Item 6 Made By Stephens, Seconded By Mower.  
Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.*

7. A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Approving A Renewal Of A License Agreement Between The City Of Ridgecrest And Southern California Edison (SCE) For The Existing Distribution Power Pole Easement Along The West Side Of South Downs Avenue And Authorize The City Manager, Ronald Strand, To Sign The Renewal License Agreement Culp

- L. Culp reviewed staff report

*Motion To Approve Item 7 Made By Hayman, Seconded By Mower.  
Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.*

8. Nomination And Appointment to the Measure 'V' Citizens Advisory Committee Mower

- Mr. Mower Nominated Steve Morgan to the Measure V Committee

9. Approve A Resolution Authorizing The Filing Of An Application For Congestion Mitigation And Air Quality (CMAQ) Funding And Committing The Necessary Local Match And Stating The Assurance To Complete The Project Smith

- B. Lower reviewed staff report
- Public comments heard from M. Richter

*Motion To Approve Item 9 Made By Mower, Seconded By Hayman.  
Motion Carried By Tabulation Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; And 0 Absent.*

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### City Organization and Services Committee

Members: Mike Mower and Wallace Martin  
Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month at 5:00 p.m.  
Location: Council Conference Room B

- No Report

##### 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

- Discussed company for Compensation Study

##### 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 Ward St. Project, SCE Option E, CMAQ applications, SCE rate increases, approved use of impact funds for Downs project widening, update on wastewater plant

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

❖ Youth Advisory Council

Members: Lindsey Stephens and Wallace Martin  
 Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, 12:00 p.m.  
 Location: Kerr-McGee Center Meeting Rooms

- No Report

Activate Community Talents and Interventions for Optimal Neighborhoods Task Force (ACTION)

Members: Lindsey Stephens and Peggy Breeden  
 Meeting: Bi-annually (Sept, March) @ 4:00 p.m.  
 Location: Kerr McGee Center Meeting Rooms

- Will meet Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 4pm in KMCC

Ridgecrest Area Convention and Visitors Bureau (RACVB)

Members: Wallace Martin  
 Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month, 9:00 a.m.  
 Next Meeting: To Be Announced

- No Report

Economic Development Committee

Members: Lindsey Stephens and Wallace Martin  
 Next Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month @ 5:00 p.m.  
 Location: 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room

- No Report

**OTHER COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS**

**CITY MANAGER REPORT**

- CA Governor's Safety Seismic Commission meeting 9/11/19 in Council Chambers – open to public
- SBA loans group still at KMCC – issued over \$2M in loans so far, loans can be done till October online

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS**

- Stephens – commented on Governor Newsom's recently signed bills and how they affect the police officers
- Breeden – commented on the HVAC proposal previously approved and asked to move project along

**ADJOURNMENT @ 7:40pm to closed session**

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT** Out Of Closed Session

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PENDING LITIGATION (cont.)

- No final action taken

Respectfully Submitted,



Ricca Charlon, CMC

City Clerk