

# *CITY OF RIDGECREST*

## **INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**

City Council Conference Room  
100 W. California Avenue.  
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

**Tuesday, November 14, 2006 at 4:00 p.m.**

### **Minutes**

Present: Chairman Steve Morgan; Members Duke Martin, Jim Smith, Lois Beres, City staff, media and members of the public

1. **CALL TO ORDER**  
The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.
2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**  
The agenda was approved
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES October 10, 2006**  
This item was continued
4. **COMMENTS: (PUBLIC COMMENT)**  
There were no public comments
5. **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**
  - a. Traffic signal detectors – CE Pollock presented proposal to use signal detector sensors rather than the loopers. There is money budgeted. Econolite proposal includes fixing all 7 signals. Mary Ash asked what is meant by smart result surveillance. CE Pollock indicated that means that we have the option of controlling the traffic signals via laptop. Tom Wiknich suggested the City consider getting a back up camera and extended warranty. The committee unanimously agreed (4 ayes) to have staff move forward with this proposal with the option for an extended warranty.
  - b. CDBG – projects and 5 year plan. CE Pollock presented the history of CDBG and the projects done with these funds. City's required to do a plan every 5 years and update it every year. This year's annual review and wish list has to be to the County by December 8<sup>th</sup>. There is a \$50K request by the Boys and Girls Club; the County may match City funding. Prefer we keep plan the way it is. The Committee further discussed CDBG and asked how the Boys and Girls Club would fund maintenance and upkeep. All committee members recommended Council stay with existing plan with a vote of 4 ayes.
  - c. TTM 6908, citizen concern – Chair Morgan asked staff to review procedure followed and how decision came about. CE Pollock indicated this was an infill project and reviewed the map, proposal and history. Members Smith and Beres commented that explanations were presented at the Planning Commission meeting and the process for public hearing was followed and as

Planning Commissioners they did not discuss the project with or receive pressure from any council members.

- d. Bowman Channel – CE Pollock presented an overview of the Master Drainage Plan and how it relates to the Bowman Channel. The channel is a massive channel that protects north of Bowman to Ridgecrest Blvd. Need a plan with cost estimates to develop fee schedule for developers building along the channel. Planner Alexander showed a map with a park in the Bowman Channel, distributed and reviewed handouts with the committee. City may want to consider requesting proposal from landscape architects. The committee further discussed the RFP process. The committee unanimously agreed staff should move forward with presentation to Council. RFP to include utilizing xeriscape, non-motorized trails (soft with hard next to it), 200 year flood pilot channels, life cycle cost, and as part of the process designer would get public input.
- e. Rite-Aid/B of A – update. Requirement of median is a condition of sale of the property and part of the DDA.

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Public Works Director Dennis Speer was introduced.
- Chair Morgan commented on the Air Resource Board workshop and that grant monies are available
- Comment was made on the status of Caltrans rework on China Lake Blvd.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:14 p.m.