



City of Salinas

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Meeting Minutes - Unofficial

City Council

Mayor Joe Gunter

Councilmembers:

Scott Davis, District 1 - Tony Barrera, District 2

Steve McShane, District 3 - Gloria De La Rosa, District 4

Kimbley Craig, District 5 - John "Tony" Villegas, District 6

Ray E. Corpuz, Jr., City Manager

Christopher A. Callihan, City Attorney

City Clerk's Office: (831) 758-7381

Tuesday, August 15, 2017

4:00 PM

SALINAS ROTUNDA

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Councilmember Tony Barrera
Councilmember Kimbley Craig
Councilmember Scott Davis
Councilmember Gloria De La Rosa
Councilmember Steve McShane
Councilmember John Villegas
Mayor Joe Gunter

COMMENDATIONS

The City Council presented certificates to program participants.

1. Youth and Government Institute.
2. Community Safety Youth Leadership Academy.

PRESENTATION

Western Growers Association Center for Innovation & Technology

Received presentation from Dennis Donohue highlighting the Western Growers Center for Innovation and Technology (WG). WG is a non-profit trade organization representing a new approach to agricultural technology with a focus on solutions for agriculture and rapid commercialization. WG program elements include problem crystallization, identification of new technologies, mentoring and beta testing, and encourage investment. Some of the opportunities outlined are industry connections and prime location in the Salinas Valley, and wide relationships with other trade groups. Key obstacles faced by WG is the lack of financial support for startup companies and lack of space. WG next steps include focused growth, building out an ecosystem with reciprocal membership and contracts with academia and government institutions and increase financial support.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Received general public comment.

PUBLIC HEARING[ID#17-390](#)**Salinas United Business Association (SUBA) Assessment District Report for FY 2016/2017 and Annual Assessment for the District in FY 2017/2018**

Maria Orozco, Project Coordinator introduced SUBA Executive Director Alejandro Chavez who provided the SUBA Assessment District report, which is filed in the City Clerk's Office as the official record.

Upon motion by Councilmember De La Rosa, second by Councilmember McShane, Resolution of Intention 604 approving the FY 2016/2017 Salinas United Business Association's Annual Report; and setting a public hearing for September 19, 2017 to consider the levy and collection of an annual assessment for FY 2017/18 was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Craig, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane, Councilmember Villegas and Mayor Gunter

Enactment No: ROI 604

CONSIDERATION[ID#17-399](#)**Governance of Commercial Cannabis Businesses**

Councilmember McShane recused himself from participating on this item and left the Council Chamber due to financial conflict of interest.

Received report from Economic Development Manager Andrew Myrick, which is filed in the City Clerk's Office as the official record.

The following audience members commented on the report:

Aaron Johnson, L+G, LLP Attorneys at Law

Hope Ricks, Purple Trilogy

Doug Scott

Unidentified audience member

John Bailey, Alternative Dispute Resolution

Hope Garcia

Angelita Partido

Vanessa

Al Espindola

Unidentified audience member

Upon motion by Councilmember Barrera, second by Councilmember De La Rosa, Ordinance 2597 amending Chapter 16B of the Salinas Municipal Code; Resolution 21237 related to application procedures for the issuance of additional commercial cannabis permits; and Resolution 21238 to implement the provisions of Chapter 19A, relating to taxes on commercial cannabis businesses were adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Craig, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember Villegas and Mayor Gunter

Recused: 1 - Councilmember McShane

Enactment No: ORD 2597; RES 21237; RES 21238

[ID#17-377](#)**Exclusive Negotiating Rights Agreement - 1081 Buckhorn Drive**

Received report from CJ Valenzuela, Community Development Analyst, which is filed in the City Clerk's Office as the official record.

Upon motion by Councilmember Barrera, second by Councilmember De La Rosa, Resolution 21239 authorizing an Exclusive Negotiating Rights Agreement (ENRA) and future Land Disposition Agreement (LDA) with Alisal Union School District (AUSD) for the development of an Early Childhood Education and Childcare Facility located at 1081 Buckhorn Drive was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Craig, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane, Councilmember Villegas and Mayor Gunter

Enactment No: RES 21239

CONSENT AGENDA[ID#17-396](#)**Minutes**

Upon motion by Councilmember Craig, second by Councilmember McShane, minutes of May 2, 2017 and May 30, 2017 were tabled; and minutes of May 16, 20107; June 6, 2017; June 20, 2017; and July 11, 2017 were approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Craig, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane, Councilmember Villegas and Mayor Gunter

[ID#17-400](#)**Financial Claims Report**

Upon motion by Councilmember Craig, second by Councilmember McShane, the financial claims report was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Craig, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane, Councilmember Villegas and Mayor Gunter

[ID#17-366](#)**Credit Guaranty for Monterey Bay Community Power Memorandum of Agreement**

Upon motion by Councilmember McShane, second by Councilmember Craig, Resolution 21240 authorizing a memorandum of agreement between the County of Monterey and the Monterey County cities regarding a credit guaranty for Monterey Bay Community Power was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Craig, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane, Councilmember Villegas and Mayor Gunter

Enactment No: RES 21240

[ID#17-378](#)**Acceptance of Grant Awards - Cesar Chavez Park Improvements**

Upon motion by Councilmember Craig, second by Councilmember De La Rosa, Resolution 21241 authorizing the acceptance of grant funds from the California Department of Parks and Recreation for improvements at Cesar Chavez Park, and from CALFIRE for the planting of trees and preparation of a forest management plan was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Craig, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane, Councilmember Villegas and Mayor Gunter

Enactment No: RES 21241

[ID#17-383](#)

Grievance Board Appointment

This item was tabled.

[ID#17-385](#)

Amendment to JPA with MRWPCA to change name to “Monterey One Water”

Upon motion by Councilmember Craig, second by Councilmember McShane, Resolution 21242 approving the Second Amendment to the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency (MRWPCA) Joint Powers Agreement, changing the name of MRWPCA to "Monterey One Water" was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Craig, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane, Councilmember Villegas and Mayor Gunter

Enactment No: RES 21242

[ID#17-386](#)

Office 365/Office 2016 G3 Subscriptions

Upon motion by Councilmember Craig, second by Councilmember McShane, Resolution 21243 authorizing an agreement with LiftOff, Inc. for Office 365 and Office 2016 e1 to G 3 subscription upgrades was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Craig, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane, Councilmember Villegas and Mayor Gunter

Enactment No: RES 21243

[ID#17-397](#)

League of California Cities Designation of Voting Delegates and Policy Resolution

Upon motion by Councilmember Craig, second by Councilmember McShane, Minute Order approving appointment of Mayor Joe Gunter to serve as the voting delegate and Councilmember Tony Barrera to serve as the alternate voting delegate for the annual League of California Cities' business meeting; and further authorize the City's delegate to vote in support of the League of California Cities' proposed Policy Resolutions was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Craig, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane, Councilmember Villegas and Mayor Gunter

COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS, APPOINTMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Craig commended Dan Ortega for his service on the Measure G Oversight Committee and appointment of Assistant Police Chief. Councilmember Craig appointed Kelly McMillin to the Measure G Oversight Committee. She announced that on September 9, 2017, she will be hosting a community cleanup in District 5 from 9 a.m. to noon on Cherokee Drive.

Councilmember Villegas reported he attended the CDBG/Housing Subcommittee where they discussed funding for homeless service providers and added that the County of Monterey needs to take an active role in providing shelter and social services to the homeless population. Councilmember Villegas reminded the public to exercise pedestrian safety and traffic safety near school zones and high pedestrian areas.

Councilmember McShane announced there will be a Salinas Neighbors United meeting in the Rotunda on August 16, an Ambrose Drive Traffic Calming meeting on August 25 in the Rotunda, and the District 3 Cleanup on August 19 from 9 a.m. to noon at Los Olivos/Riker area. He reported he is working with Assemblywoman Ana Caballero on a Housing Summit tentatively scheduled for September 28. Councilmember McShane reported that he continues to meet with the Founders Day Committee and the planning efforts are moving forward.

Councilmember Davis reported he attended the Salinas Valley Food and Wine Festival and added that it was well attended. He reported that the Regional Soccer Complex item is scheduled for consideration by the Monterey County Board of Supervisors on August 29, 2017.

Councilmember Barrera announced there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the completion of the safe routes to school project on East Market Street. He announced that Monterey Salinas Transit is offering free rides on MST Route 40 and others starting on September 2 for a year. Councilmember Barrera announced Monterey Salinas Transit will host a ribbon cutting ceremony at their new location on September 1.

Councilmember De La Rosa reported that she attended the Vibrancy Plan meeting, Salinas United Business Association meeting, CDBG/Housing Subcommittee meeting, Laurel Heights Traffic Calming meeting, Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority employee appreciation dinner, and the First Friday's Art Walk in Oldtown Salinas. She commented that she is working with both City and County staff in finding a permanent warming shelter. In closing, she announced the Veterans Day Parade Committee is having their annual rib cook-off on Saturday August, 19 on Gabilan Street, and the Salinas Police Activities League is hosting their Annual Car Show in the 200 Block of Main Street.

Councilmember Craig expressed concerns regarding the status of the Department of Justice School Resource Officers (SRO) Grant and stated that a large portion of the current Salinas Union High School District elected were in office when the SRO's grant was awarded to the City. She encouraged the Council to do their due diligence to seek other opportunities with the other school boards in Salinas before the August 30 deadline.

Mayor Gunter announced he attended the Salinas Union School District annual teacher

breakfast, Panetta Institute for Public Policy forum, and the Salinas Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency meeting. He announced he would be attending the STEM Program at Hartnell Community College on August 19 and the California Rodeo Scholarship Awards on August 17. Mayor Gunter appointed Councilmember Gloria De La Rosa to the Community Human Services joint powers authority and Leo De La Rosa to Police Community Advisory Committee.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session Item e.) *Ag Land Trust v. City of Salinas* was canceled. The City Council recessed to closed session at 7:39 p.m. pursuant to:

[ID#17-387](#)

- a. **Existing Litigation** - Cal. Gov't Code §54956.9(a), conference with legal counsel regarding, *Ricardo Lopez v. City of Salinas*, Workers Compensation Appeal Board Case No. ADJ10273902.
- b. **Existing Litigation** - Cal. Gov't Code §54956.9(a), conference with legal counsel regarding, *Shidonna Wickliffe-Lofton v. City of Salinas*, Workers Compensation Appeal Board Case No. ADJ9076981 and ADJ9076980.
- c. **Existing Litigation** - Cal. Gov't Code §54956.9(a), conference with legal counsel regarding, *Richard Van Dodd v. City of Salinas*, Workers Compensation Appeal Board Case No. ADJ7276878, ADJ7277085, ADJ7277082, ADJ7277084, ADJ7277081, ADJ7575844.
- d. **Anticipated Litigation** - Cal. Gov't Code §54956.9(d)(2), conference with Legal Counsel regarding anticipated litigation (one case).
- e. **Existing Litigation** - Cal. Gov't Code §54956.9(d)(1), conference with legal counsel regarding, *Ag Land Trust v. City of Salinas*, Monterey County Superior Court Case No. 16CV002321.
- f. **Existing Litigation** - Cal. Govt. Code §54956.9(d)(1), conference with legal counsel regarding, *SEIU Local v. City of Salinas*, PERB Case No. SF-CE-1411-M.

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

Pursuant to California Government Code section §54957.1, there were no reportable actions on closed session matters.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

APPROVED:

Joe Gunter, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk