MINUTES
WASCO CITY COUNCIL
and Successor Agency to the
Former Redevelopment Agency
Tuesday, March 7, 2023
Regular Meeting – 6:00 pm.
City Council Chambers
746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280

REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 pm

1) CALL TO ORDER:
   Mayor Martinez called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2) ROLL CALL: Mayor Martinez, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, Council Members: Medina, Reyna, Saldaña
   PRESENT: Mayor Martinez, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, Council Members: Medina, Reyna, Saldaña

   STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Hurlbert, City Attorney Schroeter, Deputy City Clerk Tinajero, Public Works Director Villa, Assistant City Manager Lara, Finance Director Perez Hernandez, Kern County Sheriff Sergeant Shinn, Senior Deputy Disquite, Chief of Police Fivecoat

3) FLAG SALUTE: led by Mayor Martinez

4) INVOCATION: by Mike Lynch

5) PRESENTATIONS: NONE

6) PUBLIC COMMENTS:
   No public comments.
   Deputy City Clerk Tinajero mentioned there are no email comments for the agenda.

7) SUCCESSOR AGENCY BUSINESS: NONE

8) WASCO PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY BUSINESS: NONE

CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS:

9) CONSENT CALENDAR:
   The Consent Calendar consists of items that, in the staff's opinion, are routine and non-controversial. These items are approved in one motion unless a Council Member or member of the public requests the removal of a particular item.
   
   a. Receive and File department payments totaling $114,885.20
b. Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes for:
   1. January 17, 2023, Regular Meeting
   2. February 7, 2023, Regular Meeting

c. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or Designee to Approve and Execute a Purchase Order with Toter Inc., a subdivision of Wastequip LLC, in the amount of $44,248.70, which will be used to purchase 636 new 96-gal carts and green waste containers for the Public Works Sanitation Department and Find that this action is not a Project as defined under Section 15378 of the State CEQA guidelines because the proposed activity consists of a governmental fiscal/administrative activity which does not result in a physical change in the environment; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the activity is not subject to CEQA, no environmental review is required.
   Reso#2023-3856

d. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or designee to approve the sale, auction, or dispose of aging and non-operable Fleet with WSM Public Auctions and Find that the activity is not a “Project” as defined under Section 15378 of the State CEQA guidelines because the proposed activity consists of a governmental fiscal/administrative activity which does not result in a physical change in the environment; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Thus, no environmental review is required.
   Reso#2023-3857

e. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or Designee to Finalize and Execute a Professional Services Agreement with S.C. Communications, Inc. for the acquisition of two Federal Communications Commission (FCC) approved Police Department radio frequencies, installation of a City provided Radio Repeater and monthly tower lease agreement, and Find that the activity is not a “Project” as defined under Section 15378 of the State CEQA guidelines because the proposed activity consists of a governmental fiscal/administrative activity which does not result in a physical change in the environment; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Thus, no environmental review is required.
   Reso#2023-3858
   Agmt#2023-014

f. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or Designee to Finalize and Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Sun Ridge Systems, Inc. to Provide software, training, and assistance for computer-aided dispatch capability for the Police Department, and Find that the activity is not a “Project” as defined under Section 15378 of the State CEQA guidelines because the proposed activity consists of a governmental fiscal/administrative activity which does not result in a physical change in the environment; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Thus, no environmental review is required.
   Reso#2022-3859
   Agmt#2023-015
g. Approval of Travel Expenses Exceeding $500.00 for Council Member Garcia and Council Member Reyna to attend the ICSC Conference scheduled for May 21-23, 2023, in Las Vegas, Nevada, and Find that this action is not a project as defined under the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines because the proposed activity consists of a governmental fiscal/administrative activity which does not result in a physical change in the environment; therefore, pursuant to State Guidelines Section 15060(c) (3), no environmental review is required.

No public comments.

No Conflict of Interest on the consent calendar for any of the Council members.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, seconded by Mayor Martinez, to approve the Consent Calendar by the following roll call vote:

AYES: MARTINEZ, GARCIA, MEDINA, REYNA, SALDAÑA
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

10) PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

11) DEFERRED BUSINESS: None

12) NEW BUSINESS:
   a. Residential Recycling and Trash - American Refuse; Informational Item Only (Jeff Martin)

Oral presentation by María Medina, Recycling Coordinator with American Refuse.

Public comments by John Pallares.

No action; informational item only.

13) REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES:
   a. Kern Economic Development Corporation (Garcia)

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia reported:
   • No meeting for the month of March
   • The next meeting will be in April
   • There will be a tour of Rio Tinto and East Kern member facilities on March 13, 2023

b. Kern Council of Governments (Reyna)

Council member Reyna reported:
   • Next Meeting on Thursday, March 9, 2023

c. Wasco Task Force (Reyna & Medina)

Council Member Medina reported:
   • The first meeting of the year will be Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 6:00 pm at the Old Courthouse.
14) REPORTS FROM KC FIRE AND SHERIFF:
   a. Kern County Fire Department (Appleton)
      No reports – Chief Appleton absent
   b. Kern County Sheriff's Department
      Sergeant Shinn gave the recent crime reports.
      • Introduced new Senior Deputy Officer, Disquite

15) REPORTS FROM THE CITY MANAGER:
    City Manager Hurlbert updated the council on the following:
    • Wasco Task Force meeting to be held Thursday, March 9, 2023.
    • Spay and Neuter event to be held March 30, 2023.
    • Community Breakfast Meeting to be held April 5, 2023, at the old courthouse.
    • Thanked the council and staff for the productive workshop on Saturday, March 4, 2023.

16) REPORTS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL:
    Mayor Pro Tem Garcia:
    • Thanked the council and staff for the opportunity to attend the meeting on Saturday.
    • Joined the Read Across America at Teresa Burke
    • Attended the Ross Dress For Less Store Grand Opening.

    Council Member Reyna:
    • Attended the COVID-19 Vaccination event on February 26, 2023, 60 people were vaccinated, passed out 56 $50 gift cards from the city; Informed the council of possible changes to who will be administering the vaccines for COVID-19 Vaccination events.
    • Attended the Ross Dress For Less Store Grand Opening.

17) CLOSED SESSION: NONE

18) CLOSED SESSION ACTION: NONE

19) ADJOURNMENT:
    Mayor Martinez adjourned the meeting at 6:33 pm.