

**TWENTYNINE PALMS CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 6136 ADOBE ROAD
TWENTYNINE PALMS, CALIFORNIA
TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2005
7:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

- 1.0 CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Benton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Mayor Benton led the Pledge of Allegiance.
INVOCATION - Pastor Joseph Matoush of Immanuel Prince of Peace Lutheran Church gave the Invocation.
ROLL CALL - Councilmembers Cole, Klink, Spear and Mayor Benton. Councilmember Bernal had an excused absence.

2.0 SPECIAL RECOGNITION AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2.1 Mayor Benton presented a Proclamation recognizing the 15th year of the Citizen Patrol and Proclaimed June 19 – 25, 2005 as “Twentynine Palms Citizen on Patrol Week” in the City of Twentynine Palms. The Councilmembers joined Mayor Benton at the podium as he read the Proclamation. Each Councilmember thanked the Citizen on Patrol members who were in attendance.

3.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 3.1 Mayor Benton announced that these proceedings will be televised on Cable T.V., Channel 6, as follows: Wednesday, June 15, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, June 18, 2005 at 3:00 p.m.

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

- 4.1 Lonnie Casper, Twentynine Palms, talked to the City Council about the “Piglet for a Purpose” program he is involved in. He explained that people can save their soda tabs in the little plastic pig he provides, and when it is full he will pick it up and take it to Loma Linda Hospital, which will give the proceeds to the Ronald McDonald House.

Valerie Driscoll, Twentynine Palms, told the City Council that she did not think the Building Codes were being enforced.

5.0 CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS - This is the time for comments from the City Councilmembers on any subject.

Councilmember Cole thanked the Citizen on Patrol for the incredible job they do. He said that they are always there and the City could never pay for all the services they provide. He said everyone should say thank you to the Citizen on Patrol members. Councilmember Cole said that he attended the Chamber of Commerce Installation and they honored volunteers in the community. He encouraged those who would like to volunteer to call the Chamber of Commerce. He congratulated Dee Ritchhart for being installed as the incoming Chamber of Commerce President and said she has a good crew and it looks to be a great year. Councilmember Cole reminded everyone that there

are a lot of programs put on by the City Park and Recreation and the Library for children in the summer.

Councilmember Klink said that when he was on his mail route he saw children with a lemonade stand. He said that is something you do not see much of these days. He also encouraged people to be careful driving with the kids on summer break from school.

Mayor Pro Tem Spear thanked the Parks Department for the condition of Luckie Park.

Mayor Benton thanked the Chamber of Commerce for the Street Fair held recently and said that it was heavily attended and the Citizen on Patrol were working there. Mayor Benton thanked the Chamber of Commerce for recognizing the Public Works Department at the Chamber of Commerce Installation.

- 6.0 CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR** – All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are to be considered routine by the City Council/Redevelopment Agency and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed. Any item may be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately by the City Council under item number 7.0 on the agenda. The public will be given an opportunity to comment on Consent Calendar items prior to the City Council action (roll call vote).

At this time, the City Clerk will read the title(s) of the ordinance(s) listed herein except those that are removed for separate action.

- 6.1 Waive the Reading of Ordinance and Approve the Reading by Title Only
RECOMMENDATION: The City Council approve the reading by title only of all ordinances and that further reading of such ordinances be waived.
- 6.2 Warrant and Payroll Register
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file register totaling \$ 284,385.98.
- 6.3 Approval of Minutes
RECOMMENDATION: The City Council/Redevelopment Agency approve the minutes of the May 24, 2005 meeting.
- 6.4 Chamber of Commerce Report – May 2005
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

Mayor Benton abstained from check no. 36987 on the warrant register.
Mayor Pro Tem Spear abstained from check no. 37063 on the warrant register.

On a motion of Mayor Pro Tem Spear, seconded by Councilmember Cole and carried with a 4-0-1 roll call vote, the Consent Calendar was approved as submitted.

- 7.0 ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION OR SEPARATE ACTION AND/OR ADDED AGENDA ITEMS** – None.

8.0 PUBLIC HEARING

8.1 Budget for Fiscal Year 2005-06 and Tentative Budget for 2006-07

RECOMMENDATION: The City Council/Redevelopment Agency approve the Budget for 2005-06 and the tentative Budget for 2006-07 by adoption of Resolution No. 05-10, the Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 by the adoption of Resolution No. 05-11, establish the Proposition 4 spending limit for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 by adoption of Resolution No. 05-12, approve the new loans between the City Council and the Redevelopment Agency Board, by adopting Resolution No. 05-13/05-01, authorize the General Fund Balance reserves and establishment of two new funds by the adoption of Resolution No. 05-14, adopt the Sheriff's Contract Schedule "A", approve the City Investment Policy and the Capital Improvement Plan. The City Council may act on these all in one motion.

City Manager Swigart presented a power point presentation. He then clarified some questions from the City Council regarding the fee schedule.

Mayor Pro Tem Spear asked for clarification on when the two City parking lot projects would be completed.

City Manager Swigart said a parking lot would be scheduled for 2005/06 and the next parking lot would be completed in 2006/07.

Councilmember Cole said he has concerns regarding the rising cost of the Sheriff's Contract. He asked how the City would deal with it in future years.

Mayor Benton said that he and the City Manager met with Sheriff Penrod recently and it was the number one topic of discussion.

City Manager Swigart said that the San Bernardino County City Managers were having meetings with Sheriff Penrod to discuss the Sheriff's Contracts. He said that there is no complaint with the service from the Sheriff's Department, but cost containment is a big concern. City Manager Swigart said eventually all of the Mayors would have to meet with the Board of Supervisors, because it is the Board of Supervisors that negotiates the Sheriffs contract.

A discussion followed regarding what citations are being used in the City. City Manager Swigart said that the Chief of Police would look into it.

Mayor Benton opened the Public Hearing,

Mayor Benton closed the Public Hearing.

On a motion of Mayor Pro Tem Spear, seconded by Councilmember Klink and carried with a 4-0-1 roll call vote, (Mayor Pro Tem Spear abstained from voting on the Sheriff's Contract) the City Council I/Redevelopment Agency approved the Budget for 2005-06 and the tentative Budget for 2006-07 by adoption of Resolution No. 05-10, the Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 by the adoption of Resolution No. 05-11, established the Proposition 4 spending limit for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 by adoption of Resolution No. 05-12, approved

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9.0 REPORTS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS - None

10.0 LEGISLATIVE/COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT - None

11.0 FUTURE COUNCIL-INITIATED AGENDA ITEMS - None

12.0 CLOSED SESSION

12.1 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
Public Employee Performance – City Manager

13.0 ADJOURN - The City Council adjourned to Closed Session at 7:54 p.m. The City Council reviewed the performance of City Manager Swigart and gave direction. The Closed Session ended at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene L. Sherwood CMC, City Clerk