

City of Pomona
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday August 3, 2015
7:00 p.m., City Hall

Meeting to order 7:00 PM

Present: Mayor Seneca, Council Members Adler, Johnson, Meador, and Smith
Others present: Mrs. Grob, Mr. Wineinger and Mr. Mettling.

Pledge of Allegiance

Budget Hearing for 2016

Registered citizen comments:

Gene Hirt –

Mr. Hirt asked why the 2016 Budget has the City's valuation as \$3,842,997.

Mr. Adler stated that the valuation is not a number the City determines, that it is determined by the county.

Mr. Hirt also inquired about the differences in several funds and why the expenditures from 2014, 2015, and 2016 were dramatically different.

Mr. Smith said that the differences are a result of actual and anticipated expenditures for the 2014 and 2015 fiscal years, and the 2016 numbers are for the coming budget year. The 2016 budget expenditures are a cap of budget authority to spend. Mr. Smith added that if he looked at the mill levy columns the only increase was coming from the library, and that the city would not have any addition mill levy issued for the street project. He added that any additional revenue needed could come from the excess electric revenue, but this still needed to be determined by the council.

Consider 2016 Budget

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the 2016 Budget, the motion was seconded by Mr. Meador, and the motion passed 4-0.

Amend Agenda

Mayor Seneca asked the council to consider adding Consider Sheriff Contract as the first item of business and add an Executive Session at the end of the meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the amendments, the motion was seconded by Mr. Adler, and the motion passed 4-0.

Consent Agenda

Review Utility Accounts 30+ Days Delinquent
Review Employee Vacation & Discretionary Time Accruals
Minutes of previous meetings
 June 1, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting
 July 6, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting
 July 20, 2015 Special Council Meeting
Financial reports/Action on bills
 Current bills and prepaid bills

A motion was made by Mr. Meador to approve the consent agenda, the motion was seconded by Mr. Johnson and the motion passed 4-0.

Registered citizen comments:

Gene Hirt –

Mr. Hirt asked where the City's composite study is if they are going for an annexation? He also asked what they City is going to do with the ditching policy without an engineering study?

Items of Business:

Consider Sheriff Department Contract

Sheriff Richards stated that the contract he had brought is for the current year. He added that they thought they had it in place, but after searching no contract could be found. He added that this contract uses the same figures as last year.

A motion by Mr. Adler to approve the 2015 Sheriff contract, the motion was seconded by Mr. Johnson, and the motion passed 4-0.

Consider Ordinance for Street Rehabilitation

Mr. Haas introduced himself and added that the ordinance given to them would provide for a bond election for the streets. He added that he had spoken with Mr. Mettling who had spoken with the engineer Todd Anderson, to look into areas of streets which could be exempted from the 30% debt limit. He stated that these areas are by city or school properties. Mr. Haas mentioned that the city could set the bond election for 1.85 million, but could only borrow 1.35 million at first with the remaining \$500,000 being issued after 3 years as the first bond issue debt is paid off. He added if the City only wanted to borrow 1.34 million, it would have to come up with \$500,000 from other City fund sources.

Mr. Haas drew the council's attention to Table 2 which showed a borrowing of 1.75 million with a \$100,000 buy down from the total cost of issuance at 1.85 million. He added that if the City decided to continue with asphalt, they may need to reduce the scale of the project. This option was unfavorable to the council, with Mr. Smith adding that he is not in favor of doing a part of the City with asphalt and not the whole City.

Mr. Haas addressed the council on Table 3, a timeline for project if the council took action tonight or in September.

Mr. Meador asked if the City bond election was approved, if they would go out for bids next year and wouldn't have a payment until 2017? Mr. Haas confirmed this, adding the City has already adopted the budget and it is difficult for cities to budget for a payment after the budget has been approved.

Mr. Smith stated that he is in favor of the double chip and seal, citing the fact that in an emergency the City wouldn't be able to borrow any more due to the street project meeting the state's maximum borrowing limit. He added that that currently with the street project sales tax and the mill levy, it accounts for \$111,000 per year, with an additional \$211,000 and \$44,000 currently in in those funds for a total of \$255,000 this year and another \$100,000 next year. Mr. Smith noted that an additional \$120,000 would be needed for the City to go ahead with the asphalt project, he added that the asphalt project is too pricey.

Mr. Meador stated if they are to get anything done, he would agree. He adding that an double chip and seal project would have the streets reconstructed by with a 6" base. He noted that the issue that may come up would be a failure of the chip and seal or with ditching trouble and water running over the streets, however these problems would be addressed. Mr. Meador added that with the 1.061 million project, they could re-chip and seal every 6 years. He also

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noting that with an asphalt they would have more durable streets, but would need to seal the cracks in 3 years and chip and seal over the streets in 7 years. Mr. Smith added that he would like to see the payment of the amortization schedule and continue to build a maintenance plan.

Mr. Haas stated that with a 10 year bond, the City could pay off the bond in 7 years with no penalty. He added that with a 1.1 million, the City would have to make up \$38,000 in addition to the \$80,000 sales tax revenue. Mr. Haas stated that what he needs to proceed is the type of project, the total cost not to exceed and if the City wishes to buy down the cost in any amount. He added that they won't issue bonds until the bids are in.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve a 1.1 million bond issue with a \$150,000 buy down, the motion was seconded by Mr. Adler, and the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Haas asked if that is a chip and seal and not an asphalt project. Mr. Meador added that it is a double chip and seal.

Consider Annexation of Sewer Lagoons Finishing Pond

A motion was made by Mr. Smith for the Mayor to contact the City Attorney and put in place proper documentation for the annexation of the sewer lagoons, the motion was seconded by Mr. Adler, and the motion passed 4-0.

Consider Ordinance Adopting 2015 Standard Traffic Ordinance

A motion was made by Mr. Meador to adopt the 2015 Standard Traffic Ordinance, the motion was seconded by Mr. Adler, and the motion passed 4-0.

Consider Ordinance Adopting 2015 Uniform Public Offense Code

A motion was made by Mr. Johnson to adopt the 2015 Uniform Public Offense Code, the motion was seconded by Mr. Smith, and the motion passed 4-0.

Consider Ditch and Culvert Maintenance Policy

Mr. Meador state he had been in contact with other jurisdictions, but they do not have a set policy. He added that this policy sets in place the responsibility of the City and the homeowner regarding ditches and culverts.

Mr. Smith asked if the policy could be called guidelines, so the City could have some leeway?

Mr. Adler asked if the word pipe could be changed, because it could be misleading?

Mr. Adler added that on page 3 item 3 referring to burning and the destruction of poly pipe, should we add previously installed?

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to table the item for changes, the motion was second by Mr. Meador, and the motion passed 4-0.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to enter into executive session for non-elected personnel for 30 minutes, the motion was seconded by Mr. Meador, and the motion passed 4-0.

Start Time\): 8:18 PM
End Time: 8:48 PM

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A motion was made by Mr. Smith to adjourn, the motion was seconded by Mr. Adler, and the motion passed 4-0.

Meeting Adjourn

Adjournment time: 8:49 PM

Mayor Seneca