

City of Pomona
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 7, 2021
7:00 p.m., City Hall

Attendance: Mayor Seneca **Councilmembers:** Rick Smith, Joe Zamora, Richard Adler, and Kim Giffin

Others in Attendance: Jerry Hardsaw, Mary Burgoon, Sandra Dennis, Chad Thompson

Study Session: Budget at 6:30 p.m.
There was no discussion.

Meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Amend Agenda

Add Chad Thompson, as first under item of business to consider. Add update on any properties to condemn at the bottom.

Council member Adler accepted the motion.
2nd: Council member Smith
Vote: 3/0

Consent Agenda

- Review Utility Accounts 30+ Days Delinquent
- Review Employee Vacation, Discretionary, and Comp Time Accruals
- Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - May 3, 2021
- Financial Reports/Action on bills
 - Current bills and prepaid bills

Motioned: Council member Smith moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Council member Adler. The vote carried 3/0.

Items of Business to Discuss:

None

Items of Business to Consider Action:

Chad Thompson

Mr. Thompson wishes to be hooked up to electrical service. He is on line owned by Evergy. Evergy required 8.5% gross fee over 10 years. Council discussed concerns of 10 years and the percentage. Mr. Thompson was sure the 8.5% passed on to him. Mayor Seneca explained that we do not have the ability to do that and will have to treat all customers the same.

Mr. Thompson can be service by Pomona but it's up to Evergy to decide what to do. Evergy request house hook up different and it's a mess. Council discuss Evergy territories and it has been problem over the years. Mr. Thompson explain the mess he has to go through to get power.

Street seal bids

As a 3rd class cities, the city is not obligated to accept the lowest bid. Mayor Seneca confirmed.

Harbour Construction bid includes one thing that the City don't wish to have \$76,000 and for chip and seal, all the east and west within city limits. Council discussed what works has been done by them.

Vance Brothers' total is \$79,174.80.

Mayor Seneca recommend to study these and make sure they are the same specs. Council member Adler table it and wants to have a special meeting to decide. County recommendation that after it is done, don't sweep it.

Council member Giffin enter the council meeting.

Council member Smith wants a copy for everyone and within a week schedule a special meeting. Mayor Seneca will make sure everyone has copies and send it to attorney. Council discussed the specifications and how streets are not all the same measurements.

Council member Giffin asked about bid from Harris Construction, and clerk acknowledge that we did not received it. Council member Giffin stated they were for culverts: ditches too steep and culvert smashed, need to take a jack to straighten it out. Council member Giffin talked to Dean to straighten culver that are closed.

Council member Smith moved to table this bid and set a special meeting for a week from tomorrow at 1 p.m. Seconded by Council member Adler. The vote carried 4/0.

Sewer Project Update

Mayor Seneca provided update. They have been short staff and had release employees that were not doing what they were supposed to do. They assured they will meet their commitment. Council discussed their expectations and will not vote for another extension. Interest will occur.

Mayor Seneca stated the city can withhold funds until retainage. Council member Giffin aware of water issue and wants refund for it. Council discuss report of water usage. Council member Smith made a motion that city staff, based on their information, bill the construction company for water cost. Seconded by Council member Adler. The vote carried 4/0.

Website

Council discussed the website bids. Council preferred Municipal One, it's more flexible and geared to us. Council and clerk discussed the current website and time to get it back up in time.

Council member Smith moved to accept Municipal One for the website. Seconded by Council member Adler. The vote carried 4/0.

KDOL Safety

A safety inspection is done every five years. Mayor Seneca likes to review issues with the council and get them corrected as soon as possible. Mayor Seneca explained the hot water heater was not installed correctly. It is original to the building, a mini hot water heater. Correct or replace that safety issue? Council discussed and reviewed report.

Mayor Seneca expressed concerns about the shop. Mayor Seneca shared that the conduit is expensive and insists on not doing it. He gave us grace on a couple of things. Mr. Wooge will be putting in additional outlets. Council expects staff to get things done in house, other than the gas water heater. The correction due date is 7/21/2021.

Council member Smith moved to authorize the Mayor to remedy the efficiencies of the report, inspection #21574424. Seconded by Council member Adler. The vote carried 4/0.

Community Building

Council member Adler stated we were going to coincide with food service. County opens up, we open up. Mayor Seneca said to use a good common sense approach and is courage any interaction in the office that does not need to occur. Council in discussion to be open with a common sense approach.

Council member Adler moved to accept the motion. Seconded by Council member Giffin. The vote carried 4/0.

Pomona Municipal Court

Council discussion the quantity and for the difference in price, to go with more.

Council member Smith move to motion. Seconded by Council member Adler. The vote carried 4/0.

Condemnation Updates

Mayor Seneca wanted to make sure following the correct procedure, to not involve planning commission, for land use only. Governing body to move forward with condemnations, starting with the obvious and unsafe structure. Mayor Seneca needs to prioritize which one in the past and continue that same list, minus the one corrected or demolished.

Council would like an up to date list, names, addresses, copies of violation letters sent out.

Council member Smith moved that we be prepared to move forward on any properties that need condemn at meeting on June 15th at 1 p.m. Seconded by Council member Adler. The vote carried 4/0.

Executive Session

Council member Adler motioned for the Discussion of Personnel Matters for Non-Elected Personnel, Pursuant K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for a Period of 10 Minutes with the Open Meeting to Resume in the Community Building of City Hall. Seconded by Council member Giffin. The vote carried 4/0.

The Council entered Executive Session at 7:43 p.m.

The Council exited Executive Session at 7:53 p.m.

Meeting Adjourn

Councilmember Adler moved to adjourn. This was seconded by Councilmember Giffin. The vote carried 4/0. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m. **ML**



Mayor Seneca