

CITY OF BRAWLEY
February 20, 2024

The City Council of the City of Brawley, California met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., City Council Chambers, the date, time and place of said meeting was duly established. The Deputy City Clerk attests to the posting of the agenda pursuant to Cal. Govt. Code § 54954.2.

REGULAR MEETING:

Mayor Castro called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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PRESENT: Castro, Wharton, Rebollar, Hamby, Nava

PRESENT VIA ZOOM: None

ABSENT: None

INVOCATION: CM Hamby

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chief Duran

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The Agenda was approved. m/s/c Nava/Hamby 5-0

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2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS: (Not to exceed four minutes) this is the time for the public to address the Council on any item not appearing on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. The Mayor will recognize you and when you come to the microphone, please state your name for the record. You are not allowed to make personal attacks on individuals or make comments which are slanderous or which may invade an individual's personal privacy. Please direct your comments to the City Council.

Any member of the public is invited to submit public comments in advance of the meeting to be answered at the meeting. Please email your questions to jramos@brawley-ca.gov or call 760-351-3080 any time before 2:00 pm, February 20, 2024.

Procedures to "swiftly" accommodate any reasonable request to accommodate access by disabled individuals to meetings that are accessible telephonically or through other electronic means in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") are in place.

Notice of the procedure is provided for making requests for such reasonable accommodation is provided with the notice of the public meeting.

a. Public Comments Not on the Agenda:

1. David Aguire, director of ICTC made a presentation regarding new bus stops. His comments may be viewed at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gc0Xhiz5ADo&t=12s>

- b. Presentation of Certificate of Recognition to the Brawley Union High School Academic Decathlon Team. Presented by Mayor Ramon Castro, Brawley City Council.

The presentation may be viewed at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gc0Xhiz5ADo&t=12s>

3. CONSENT AGENDA: Items are approved by one motion. Council members or members of the public may request consent items be considered separately at a time determined by the Mayor. m/s/c Nava/Rebollar 5-0

- a. **Approved** City Council Minutes: February 6, 2024.
- b. **Approved** Accounts Payable: January 27, 2024 to February 9, 2024.
- c. **Ratified** Letter of Support for Los Amigos De La Comunidad, Inc. dated February 5, 2024.
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4. CITY MANAGER REPORT:

The City Manager had nothing to report.

5. STUDY SESSION:

- a. Review and discuss General Fund Projections, request additional information, and/or provide Staff direction on specific matters to focus on. Presented by Silvia Luna, Interim Finance Director.

The presentation and discussion may be viewed at:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gc0Xhiz5ADo&t=12s>

6. REGULAR BUSINESS:

- a. Review and potential action to approve first reading of the draft ordinance designed to address concerns about noise issues in City limits. Presented by William Smerdon, City Attorney.

The Council reviewed the ordinance and received public comments. Council directed staff to make revisions.
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- b. Review and adopt Resolution 2024-__ expressing Council's intention to sell the real property which was dedicated to the City in 1953 for the construction of an alley. Presented by William Smerdon, City Attorney.

The resolution was adopted. m/s/c/ Hamby/Nava 5-0.
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- c. Review and adopt Resolution 2024-__ expressing Council's intention to sell the real property which has been commonly referred to as the Ulloa Street property. Presented by William Smerdon, City Attorney.

The resolution was adopted. m/s/c Wharton/Rebollar 5-0.

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7. PUBLIC HEARING:

- a. Public Hearing on the PLHA Plan for the Permanent Local Housing Allocation Program. Presented by Cynthia Mancha, Consultant City Planner.

The presentation may be viewed at:

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The Mayor opened the public hearing at 7:40. There were no comments from the public. The Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:41.

6. REGULAR BUSINESS, CONT.:

- d. Pass and adopt Resolution 2024-_ authorizing the application and adopting the PLHA Plan for the Permanent Local Housing Allocation Program. Presented by Cynthia Mancha, Consultant City Planner.

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The resolution was adopted. m/s/c Wharton/Hamby 5-0.

8. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

The City Council reports are available on the City of Brawley's website and are available on the City's audio record of the meeting.

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9. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:

The City Attorney reported that there was nothing to discuss in regard to matter number one on the closed session agenda inasmuch as we are still waiting for the Court's decision regarding the City's motion to recover attorneys' fees. He deferred the remainder of the report to Closed Session

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10. CLOSED SESSION:

- a. EXISTING LITIGATION (C.G.C. Section §54956.9)

Conference with Legal Counsel— One (1) Case Name of Case: Vertical Bridge Development, LLC vs. City of Brawley

This item was addressed in the City Attorney's report, there was nothing to discuss.

b. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Property: APNS 047-231-013 and 014

Agency negotiator: City Manager

Negotiating parties: Mark Gaddis

Under negotiation: Disposition of City Land.

Information was provided to Council. No action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.



William Smerdon, Deputy City Clerk

