



CITY OF GALT

MINUTES

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive, Galt, California
Tuesday October 20, 2015, 5:45 pm

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 pm by the mayor. Council Members present: Payne, Heuer, Campion, Powers and Crews.

Staff members present: Interim City Manager Rudolph, City Clerk Settles, Interim City Attorney Hood and Interim Police Chief Drummond.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

1. **PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT** pursuant to Government Code section 54957.
Titles: City Manager, Police Chief and Police Lieutenant
2. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION** pursuant to Government Code section 54957.
Title: Interim City Manager

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: The council reconvened to open session at 7:00 pm at which time the city attorney announced there was no reportable action.

The mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Council Members present: Payne, Heuer, Campion, Powers and Crews.

Staff members present: Interim City Manager Rudolph, City Clerk Settles, Interim City Attorney Hood, Community Development Director Stewart, Parks & Recreation Director Solis, Interim Police Chief Drummond, and Public Works Director Winkler. Absent: Finance Director Kiriu, and Human Resources Administrator Islas.

OPENING CEREMONIES - Silent prayer was observed; Boy Scout Troop 498 and Pack 598 recited the flag salute. The city clerk read the video statement.

AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS – Rudolph pulled K7 and continued the item to the next meeting.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Character Coalition Presentation – Award for Respect. Mary Martinez, Publicity Director, presented Brendan Moore with the award for respect.
2. Problem Oriented Policing Program Presentation – Police Department. Officer Wesley Pittman gave the presentation.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS - The clerk announced that members of the audience could address the council on any matter, which is not on the agenda but within the subject matter jurisdiction. She advised the location of the speaker sheets, asked that speaker sheets be presented to the clerk prior to addressing council and advised that each person would have a five-minute time limit to speak.

Shelley Graham, Vice President, Galt Friends of the Library, said it was National Friends of the Library Week, October 18 through October 23. She gave an overview of the projects the organization has been involved with at the Marian O. Lawrence Library Branch.

CONSENT CALENDAR - Consisting of Items 1 through 6.

1. **SUBJECT:** Minutes of the special and regular meetings of October 6, 2015.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Accept the minutes as submitted.
2. **SUBJECT:** City of Galt Warrants.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the warrants as submitted.
3. **SUBJECT:** Adopt revisions to the Measure A Sacramento Countywide Transportation Mitigation Fee Program Agreement on operating protocols.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 2015-84 approving amendments to the Measure A Sacramento Countywide Transportation Mitigation Fee Program (SCTMFP) Agreement on operating protocols.
4. **SUBJECT:** Capital Improvement Program Status Update – July 1, 2015, through September 30, 2015.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive first quarter Capital Improvement Program status report.
5. **SUBJECT:** Ordinance No. 2015-08 adding Chapter 8.49 to the Galt Municipal Code relating to home-generated sharps waste management.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Ordinance No. 2015-08 adding Chapter 8.49 to the Galt Municipal Code relating to home-generated sharps waste management.
6. **SUBJECT:** Approval to purchase mission critical P25 compliant radios.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Authorize the City Manager to approve the purchase of twelve mobile and twelve portable Motorola P25 compliant radios.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Payne, seconded by Powers, the consent calendar was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

SCHEDULED MATTERS - PUBLIC HEARING: None.

REGULAR CALENDAR:

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE:

1. **SUBJECT:** Treasurer's Report for period ending August 2015.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Accept the treasurer's report as submitted.

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Farrell gave the report.

Crews asked why a three million dollar certificate of deposit was removed from Farmers & Merchants Bank and deposited out of state. Farrell said the City had an over concentration of funds at Farmers & Merchants Bank and, in order to reduce the risk, invested the three million dollars nationwide in smaller certificates of deposit. He was able to secure a higher interest rate that gave the City a greater yield. Farrell stated he worked with Kiriu when making the decision to move the certificate of deposit.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Heuer, seconded by Champion, accepting the Treasurer's Report for period ending August 2015 was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

CITY COUNCIL'S OFFICE:

2. **SUBJECT:** Strategic Plan.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive the report.

Crews reviewed the report.

Rudolph reported on the Delta College North County Campus. He said there was a meeting on November 9, 2015 at the Delta College Campus, 5151 Pacific Avenue, Stockton at 5:30pm to consider locations of the North County Campus.

3. **SUBJECT:** Discretionary Funds – Payne.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the allocation of \$1,000 from Vice Mayor Payne's discretionary funds in fiscal year 2016 budget for the Galt Community Garden at Harvey Park.

Payne asked for approval.

Dan Jimenez was opposed to the discretionary funds and asked City Council to end the program.

Sherry Daly was opposed to the discretionary funding program.

Rudolph commented that members had a limited amount of one-thousand dollars per fiscal year under the program. He said they were required to come before City Council, identify the public benefit in an open noticed meeting, and provide an opportunity for the public to comment on the request.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Payne, seconded by Powers, allocating \$1,000 from Vice Mayor Payne's discretionary fund in fiscal year 2016 budget for the Galt Community Garden at Harvey Park was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:

4. **SUBJECT:** Wilton Rancheria Casino – Retention of consultants to assist with evaluation of impacts.

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RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 2015-85 authorizing the Interim City Manager to retain consultants to assist with the evaluation of impacts associated with the proposed Wilton Rancheria Casino Project, and further authorizing the appropriation of \$200,000 from the General Fund for consultant services.

Rudolph gave the agenda report.

Campion questioned why the Tribe was not paying for the consultants per the signed memorandum of understanding agreement. Rudolph said the Tribe proposed a joint economic impact analysis using the same consultant and Rudolph believed it was not in the City's best interest to have a joint study. He said the Tribe was disputing the cost of the City's legal fees. Rudolph briefly outlined his interpretation of the terms of the agreement and stated the Tribe had a different understanding. He said the City was at a point where it could no longer delay efforts to collect the information critical to the process.

Raymond Hitchcock, Chairman, Wilton Rancheria, after meeting with the City on August 27, 2015, objected to the cost of the study and the attorney fees presented by the City. He said they were at an impasse. Mr. Hitchcock felt it was not necessary to hire a consultant for the City and one for the Tribe to conduct a separate economic impact analysis. He felt disrespected at the August meeting by the attorney representing the City's interests. Mr. Hitchcock said he never stated the Tribe would not pay for the consultants.

Campion thought the Tribe was not living up to the promissory commitments made in the agreement. Heuer said it was a reasonable request to have a separate economic impact analysis study to determine the negatives and positives of the project. Payne asked if the Tribe was willing to pay for the consultants and Mr. Hitchcock said he would have to take it back and have discussions on what transpired tonight.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Heuer, seconded by Campion, adopting Resolution No. 2015-85 was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:

5. **SUBJECT:** City-initiated annexation of property within the sphere of influence area.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Authorize staff to proceed with filing a formal application for annexation with Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) and approve the budget change for appropriating \$84,000 to complete the LAFCo application and required supporting documents.

Stewart gave the agenda report.

Dan Denier asked Council to consider annexing up to Walnut Avenue.

ACTION: Heuer made a motion authorizing staff to proceed with filing a formal application for annexation with Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) and approving the budget change form appropriating \$84,000 to complete the LAFCo application and required supporting documents.

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Campion asked to amend the motion to include the Rancheria property if not already in a federal trust.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Heuer, seconded by Campion, amending the motion to include the annexation area along the west side of Highway 99, from Twin Cities Road on the south to the northern edge of the City's sphere of influence to the north, provided the property had not been placed in a federal trust, was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Heuer, seconded by Campion, authorizing staff to proceed with filing a formal application for annexation with Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) and approving the budget change form appropriating \$84,000 to complete the LAFCo application and required supporting documents was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

CULTURE AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT:

6. **SUBJECT:** Skate Park Inspection, Improvements and Expansion.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Defer a decision regarding the skate park improvements and expansion until Walker Park Phase 1B bids have been obtained.

Solis gave the agenda report.

Payne asked what would happen if bids came in higher than expected and Solis answered, it would come back to Council for action. Rudolph said Council's options could be to use General Fund money, defer the improvements until more money was collected in the Parks Improvement Fund, or look at the improvements and decide if parts of the project could be deferred.

Campion suggested a concrete skate park at a different location. Payne wanted the skate park included in the Capital Improvement Plan. Heuer said finish Walker Park 1B and have the skate park go through the process and Powers agreed.

Dan Denier said the City had one skate park.

Al Baldwin asked if the skate park was usable and Solis said yes.

Kevin Brown wanted lights on the grass, more bathrooms at Walker Park and something for the skate park by removing some of the other improvements scheduled for Walker Park.

Jose Hernandez said parking was an issue and the lights on the grass were needed. He thanked Council for Walker Park and was happy the skate park repairs were done.

Sherry Daley applauded the council members who had decided to stay with the plan.

Andrew Klotz said the skate park should not be a dividing issue and both sides should consider a compromise.

Colton Paoletti said the skate park was important and there was only one.

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Micah Stevenson proposed moving the skate park and building a concrete one at Walker Park with lights.

ACTION: Powers made a motion, seconded by Campion, to defer a decision regarding the skate park improvements and expansion until Walker Park Phase 1B bids had been obtained.

DISCUSSION: Crews asked if there was room at Walker Park for a concrete skate park and Solis answered, it could be looked at as an alternative site.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Powers, seconded by Campion, deferring a decision regarding the skate park improvements and expansion until Walker Park Phase IB bids had been obtained was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

7. **SUBJECT:** Regulation of Alarm Systems.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Introduce an ordinance adding Chapter 5.08 of the Galt Municipal Code regarding the Regulation of Alarm Systems, waive full reading, and continue to the next regular meeting for adoption.

Continued until the next regular meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

8. **SUBJECT:** Continued Water Rate Discussion.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: 1) Receive additional information and rate options regarding the Water Rate Cost of Service Study prepared by Raftelis Financial Consultants and staff; and 2) Provide feedback and direction to staff on a preferred option for revising water rates.

Winkler gave the agenda report. Mark Clarkson, Utility Manager, gave the presentation. John Griffin, Contract Senior Civil Engineer, reviewed examples of customer billing.

Rick Walters shared a different plan for the new-metered rates.

Dan Jimenez was not in favor of the 60% fixed/40% variable because it does not encourage conservation.

Sherry Daley said it made more economic sense to have a higher fixed percentage.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Campion, seconded by Heuer, directing staff to proceed with the option 60% fixed/40% variable plan was approved by a roll call vote with Payne and Crews dissenting.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT: None.

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COMMENTS BY STAFF: Stewart said October was National Community Planning Month. Winkler announced the City had completed the median safety improvements for the Quiet Zone Project.

COMMENTS BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

VICE MAYOR PAYNE: enjoyed the atmosphere of the young people and adults that were looking at a compromise.

COUNCIL MEMBER HEUER: hoped the City would have representation at the upcoming meeting for the Delta College North County Campus.

COUNCIL MEMBER CAMPION: Nothing.

COUNCIL MEMBER POWERS: Nothing.

MAYOR CREWS: attended the Sacramento Transportation Authority where the City was awarded two grants for \$1.7 million.

There being no further business to come before council, the mayor adjourned the meeting at 10:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Settles
City Clerk