

# CITY OF WILLIAMS

## *Council Minutes*

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810 E Street / P.O. Box 310, Williams, CA 95987

Regular Meeting of the City Council

Wednesday, September 22, 2010 – 6:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Angela Plachek-Fulcher, Mayor Pro-Tem John Troughton, Jr. and Council Members Don Barker, Eddie Johnson and Patricia Ash

COUNCIL MEMBER ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Charles Bergson, City Administrator  
Joshua Nelson, Assistant City Attorney  
James P. Saso, Chief of Police  
Wes Goforth, Public Works Director  
Rex Greenbaum, Finance Officer  
Mariela Cruz, Office Assistant  
Beverly Maxey, Police Services Manager

Mayor Plachek-Fulcher called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and lead the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Lorraine McHugh addressed Council regarding the Landscape and Lighting District 97-01 charges. Ms. McHugh questioned the charges on the original Engineers report, stating that the current charges are different from those in the report. City Administrator Bergson explained that the original report has been amended after the first public hearing.

The public hearing raised concern about the limit that could be charged. The City Engineer amended the report as directed. City Administrator Bergson will provide Ms. McHugh with the current Engineers Report.

### **PRESENTATION**

#### FILM COMMISSION

Dr. Marilyn Kennedy, Chairperson for the Colusa County Film Commission, explained the benefits of being a part of the Commission and stated the City would

benefit from productions. The City would charge for the usage of City property. Council Member Johnson asked for the cost for the City to become part of the Commission. Dr. Kennedy replied that there would be no cost to the City. Dr. Kennedy said residents who participate could receive up to \$1,000 for allowing the Commission to film the front of their home. City Administrator Bergson said he is concerned about the road closures and late filming hours. Dr. Kennedy mentioned that there would be sufficient notice to the City and the residents.

Council concurred to consider a Resolution to become part of the film committee. This item to return to a subsequent Council meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### SACRAMENTO VALLEY MUSEUM LEASE.

City Administrator Bergson mentioned there has not been an updated lease with the Museum since 1970. There should be an amendment to the current lease to include insurance and other uses. Council also believes the lease should be updated and Museum event fees waived. Council Member Barker suggested City Administrator and City Attorney create an updated lease and including insurance and present to Council for approval.

City Administrator Bergson mentioned 2011 is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Union High School, now known as the Sacramento Valley Museum. Council Member Johnson asked about the home on the property and Council Member Ash responded that the home had been used for the caretaker of the Museum. After his passing, it was easier to rent out the home to a private party and hire a care taker for the property. She mentioned the current renters of the home have kept the home in very good shape and when it was in need of repair the Sacramento Valley Museum pays for those repairs. Mayor Plachek-Fulcher and Mayor Pro-Tem Troughton, Jr. believe the monies received by the home should be used for maintenance on the home and the Museum. Mayor Plachek-Fulcher mentioned there have been two falls at the Museum and Mayor Pro-Tem Troughton, Jr., believes there should be ADA ramps and lights installed to avoid further injuries.

Council provided adequate direction to City Administrator to start the process to update the lease and report back at a subsequent Council meeting.

### PARKS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT SCOPE

City Administrator Bergson explained that many of our parks are in need of repair, Redinger Park is in need of security lighting, picnic tables, barbecues, garbage cans, additional swings, enhanced landscaping and new restrooms. The

Venice Park is in need of repair to the Little League field, poles and netting, garbage cans, landscaping and rehabilitation of the electrical system and plumbing system in the old gym. Valley Vista needs additional picnic tables, barbecues and garbage cans, enhanced landscaping, horseshoe pits, a walking path, ADA ramp repair, new equipment and there will new a new toddler park built at Valley Ranch Subdivision. The Museum needs roof rehabilitation, ADA facilities and other electrical, mechanical and landscaping improvements. Mayor Plachek-Fulcher also believes all parks need dog areas.

Council concurred with the scope of work for the Parks Improvements Projects and give direction to City Administrator Bergson to initiate the construction contract for the improvements to City parks.

#### PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH ROSENOW SPEVACEK GROUP (RSG)

City Administrator Bergson explained that as the City Council is considering the formation of a Redevelopment Agency, the development of a Redevelopment Plan would be a benefit to the City. Mayor Placheck-Fulcher mentioned that during the interviews RSG explained that they would assess the benefits of an RDA at each step of process.

On a motion by Council Member Ash, seconded by Council Member Troughton, Jr. and carried unanimously by the following vote Council awarded a Professional Services Contract to Rosenow Spevacek Group for preparation of a Redevelopment Plan.

Ayes: Council Members Ash, Barker, Johnson, Troughton, Jr., Plachek-Fulcher  
Noes: None.  
Abstain: None.  
Absent: None.

#### ORDINANCE 181-10 – ESTABLISHMENT OF A REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

City Administrator Bergson explained the purpose of a Redevelopment Agency as the vehicle to reduce or eliminate blight and to enhance these improvement of the downtown area of the City. . The City would become the Agency and would hold the RDA meetings jointly with the Council on the same date and time as the regular City Council meetings. The State law requires a separate governing board to control redevelopment, this would be the Redevelopment Agency.

On a motion by Council Member Ash, seconded by Council Member Troughton, Jr., and carried unanimously by the following vote, Council moved to

introduce, waive the first reading and read by title only “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Williams Establishing the City of Williams Redevelopment Agency”.

Ayes: Council Members Ash, Barker, Johnson, Troughton, Jr., Plachek-Fulcher  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

## OLD BUSINESS

### RESOLUTION 10-23 - OVERSIZED VEHICLES

Police Services Manager Maxey explained the law allows a fees to be charged for the issuance of oversize vehicle and load permits. The fees are as follows: \$90.00 annually or \$16.00 daily. Truckers will call ahead of time to advice of their passing through City limits. Council asked if there would be any exceptions for farm equipment. Chief Saso said he would look into it and return with the information.

On a motion by Council Member Ash, seconded by Council Member Johnson and carried unanimously by the following vote, Council adopted Resolution 10-23, “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Williams Establishing Fees for Oversize Vehicles and Load Permits”.

Ayes: Council Members Ash, Barker, Johnson, Troughton, Jr., Plachek-Fulcher  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

## REPORTS

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City Attorney: + Joshua Nelson filled in for City Attorney. Nothing to report.

City Clerk: There are two write-in candidates confirmed for the Council race. The filing deadline is October 8, 2010

City Treasurer: Nothing to report.

COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

- Council Member Ash: Gave updates on committees, meetings, events, and projects.
- Council Member Johnson: Nothing to report.
- Council Member Barker: Gave updates on committees, meetings, events, and projects.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Troughton, Jr.: Gave updates on committees, meetings, events, and projects.
- Mayor Plachek-Fulcher: Gave updates on committees, meetings, events, and projects.

STAFF GENERAL REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- City Administrator: Gave updates on City operations, schedule, and projects.
- City Finance Officer: Report given by Rex Greenbaum.
- Police Chief: Report given by Chief Saso.
- Fire Chief: Absent.
- Public Works: Report given by Wes Goforth.

**CLOSED SESSION**

At 7:50 p.m. Council met in Closed Session to discuss Labor Negotiations pursuant to Section 54957.6. The Agency Designated Representative was Charles Bergson. The session was in regard to an unrepresented employee, the Police Chief.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:10 p.m. Mayor Plachek-Fulcher announced that a Closed Session had been held and direction given to the Labor Negotiator. She then adjourned the meeting.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Angela Plachek-Fulcher, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Charles Bergson, Interim City Clerk