

ANDERSON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**Regular Meeting
July 21, 2015**

REGULAR SESSION

The regular session was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Councilmember Comnick
Councilmember Browning
Councilmember Yarbrough
Vice-Mayor Baugh
Mayor Hunt

Councilmembers absent: None.

Also present: City Manager Jeff Kiser, Assistant City Manager Liz Cottrell, City Engineer David Durette, and Clerk Juanita Barnett.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Hunt requested a moment of silence in honor of four Marines who were murdered last week in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

INVOCATION

Ron Barnett, Faith Assembly Church, gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Melissa Hunt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mary Stevens, announced the ribbon cutting ceremony and grand opening of the Churn Creek Cellars Wine Tasting Room on Wednesday, July 29, 2015, at the Chamber of Commerce Greeters at 8:00 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

By motion made, seconded (Yarbrough/Comnick), and carried by a 5-0 vote, the Council took the following actions:

Approved the minutes of the regular meeting of July 7, 2015.

Received and filed warrant 1567 to 1634 in the amount of \$251,235.46; warrant 1635 to 1719 in the amount of \$392,181.53; an ACH in the amount of \$1,190.13; and an ACH in the amount of \$25,142.11.

Waived reading, except by title, of any ordinances under consideration at this meeting for either introduction or passage per Government Code Section 36934.

Vote: AYES: Councilmembers Yarbrough, Comnick, Browning, Baugh, and Mayor Hunt.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR – None.**PUBLIC HEARINGS – None.****REGULAR AGENDA****CITY MANAGER****CITY OF ANDERSON RESPONSE TO THE 2014-2015 GRAND JURY FINAL REPORT**

City Manager Jeff Kiser gave a staff report, read a commendation from the 2014-2015 Grand Jury Final Report, and received comments from the Council.

By motion made, seconded (Browning/Baugh), and carried by a 5-0 vote, the Council authorized the Mayor to sign and submit the City of Anderson's response to the 2014-2015 Grand Jury Final Report.

Vote: AYES: Councilmembers Browning, Baugh, Comnick, Yarbrough, and Mayor Hunt.
 NOES: None.
 ABSTAIN: None.
 ABSENT: None.

AGREEMENT FOR CITY ATTORNEY LEGAL SERVICES WITH BURGESS & BOGENER, INC

Councilmember Comnick recused herself due to the friend relationship she has with the Burgess family and left the chambers.

City Manager Jeff Kiser gave a staff report and, together with the Adhoc Committee of Councilmember Browning and Vice-Mayor Baugh, answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Hunt requested Mr. Burgess and Mr. Bogener to sit at the staff table to answer questions from the Council.

Anderson Fire Protection District Chief Rick Weigele stated he is excited about Mr. Burgess becoming the City Attorney and believes this move will benefit both the district and the City.

By motion made, seconded (Yarbrough/Browning), and carried by a 4-0 vote, the Council authorized the Mayor to sign an agreement with Burgess & Bogener, Inc. for City Attorney Services.

Jody Burgess thanked the Council for the opportunity to serve the City of Anderson.

Councilmember Comnick returned to the chambers and took her seat on the dais.

Vote: AYES: Councilmembers Yarbrough, Browning, Baugh, and Mayor Hunt.
 NOES: None.
 ABSTAIN: Comnick.
 ABSENT: None.

CITY CLERK**OFFICIAL ALTERNATE VOTING DELEGATE TO THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOR 2015**

City Clerk Juanita Barnett gave a staff report and answered questions from the Council.

By motion made, seconded (Baugh/Browning), and carried by a 5-0 vote, the Council appointed Councilmember James Yarbrough to serve as the City of Anderson's Official Alternate Voting Delegate for 2015.

Vote: AYES: Councilmembers Baugh, Browning, Comnick, Yarbrough, and Mayor Hunt.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

**RECOMMENDED ACTION PER THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING ON JULY 15, 2015:
RESOLUTION 15-37**

City Engineer David Durette gave a staff report and answered questions from the Council.

By motion made, seconded (Comnick/Baugh), and carried by a 5-0 vote, the Council adopted Resolution No. 15-37 directing the following actions to be taken:

1. Designate the intersection of Rush Landing/Knight Lane as an all-way stop control intersection;
2. Remove the "No Parking" signs on Rupert Road adjacent to the Anderson River Park Soccer Fields; and
3. Install signs prohibiting the parking of commercial vehicles over 3 tons between the hours of 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM on certain sections of Marx Way; and
4. Paint red the section of curb along the south side of Marx Way between the Ace Hardware driveway and the driveway immediately to the east of it.

Vote: AYES: Councilmembers Comnick, Baugh, Browning, Yarbrough, and Mayor Hunt.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

Councilmembers requested the Traffic Committee look into the following areas of concern: Gateway Drive south of Safeway, stop signs at the end of all streets connecting onto Pinion Avenue, and Sandstone and Ganyon.

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS

Councilmembers used this time to report on meetings and activities they participated in and to announce upcoming events.

CLOSED SESSION

Public Comment on Closed Session Item(s): - None.

6:54 p.m.: ***The City Council convened to Closed Session to discuss the following:***

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

(Pursuant to Gov't. Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Negotiators: Assistant City Manager Liz Cottrell and Rick Haeg, Nickolaus and Haeg, LLC

- A. Teamsters Local 137
- B. Anderson Police Officers Association

7:46 p.m.: ***The City Council reconvened to Open Session.***

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor Hunt announced Council sat in Closed Session to discuss labor negotiations with direction given and no reportable action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

7:46 p.m.: *The City Council adjourned to August 18, 2015.*


Melissa Hunt, Mayor

ATTEST:


Juanita Barnett, City Clerk