

ANDERSON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**Regular Meeting
October 6, 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 Attorney Jody Burgess, Police Chief Michael Johnson, City Engineer David Durette, and City Clerk Juanita Barnett.

INVOCATION

Chief Michael Johnson, Anderson Police Department, gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice-Mayor Baugh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS

A proclamation proclaiming October 17, 2015 as Indigenous Peoples' History Day was read and presented to Maria Orozco from Redding Rancheria and the Wintu Tribe by Mayor Hunt.

Ms. Orozco thanked the Council for their recognition and support and invited them to attend the Indigenous Peoples' History day celebration on October 17th at the Cascade Theater in Redding.

PRESENTATIONS

Kayla Brown, standing in for Sylvia Milligan, gave a presentation on the State of Jefferson movement, answered questions from the Council, and requested the Council bring the matter of supporting their movement back to the Council for a vote at a future Council meeting.

Morton Giesecke encouraged the Council to support the State of Jefferson to encourage economic growth so that residents' children and grandchildren can remain in the area and not have to go outside the north state to find work or out of state to invest in property or business.

Chris Kelstrom stated that he has been studying the State of Jefferson for the past two years and believes their plan is viable and will provide citizens of the north state with representation, freedoms, and opportunities we don't currently have as part of California. He further stated the movement is in need of legislative representation from Shasta County and encouraged the City Council to become that representation.

Nick Gardner stated he supports the State of Jefferson and urged the City Council to support this movement as he believes it will help rectify current problems inherent with being a part of California and will make a difference in the education of our children and grandchildren.

Win Carpenter state that he has audited the signatures for the State of Jefferson movement and found over 2,000 Anderson residents who are in support of this change, requested support from the Council, and stated the packets previously provided to the Council on the State of Jefferson have information in them to answer most of their questions.

Sally Rapoza shared a visual aide depicting current representation in California for the north state and stated she believes the State of Jefferson would provide better representation to the people of the north state than now exists in California.

Chet Szymanski stated he believes in the State of Jefferson and feels it is our only hope.

Larry Marx, representing Keep it California, requested the opportunity to present to the Council the way they see the State of Jefferson at a future Council meeting.

Janeen Kavanaugh expressed her support for the State of Jefferson.

Miguel Chambers stated he believes law making issues facing California are not specific to this state and that other states are facing similar situations. He further stated the creation of a new state may be one step to correcting those issues and provide a way to maintain the culture of the north state.

Sue Gallagher stated she has been studying the State of Jefferson movement for the past two years and feels the cost to make this change would be greater than indicated and urged the Council to follow Trinity County's example and direct staff to do a thorough investigation prior to taking a vote.

Gary Hollohand expressed his support for the State of Jefferson movement citing that change is needed and the State of Jefferson is a viable option to consider. He also complimented the City Council on their warmth and graciousness in listening to their citizens.

Thomas Molar expressed his support of the State of Jefferson movement and asked the Council to consider sending the matter to the people for a vote.

By consensus the Council agreed to allow Keep It California to present their side of the matter prior to giving direction to staff on whether they should bring the matter back for a vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Christine Casey addressed the Council regarding signage in the Anderson River Park stating the City should either remove the existing deteriorated signage or replace it. Ms. Casey further provided a proposal for raising funds from the public to replace the signs and left a copy of her proposal with the City Clerk.

Nick Gardner complimented the Council stating that the Council's reputation around the community is one of working well with people.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Approved the minutes of the regular meeting of September 15, 2015.

Received and filed warrant 2281 to 2363 in the amount of \$88,187.99; warrant 2365 to 2429 in the amount of \$232,492.12; warrant 2430 to 2502 in the amount of \$229,818.44; an ACH in the amount of \$1,190.13; and an ACH in the amount of \$25,456.20.

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, Browning, Comnick, Baugh, and Mayor Hunt.
 NOES: None.
 ABSTAIN: None.
 ABSENT: None.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR – None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – None.

REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

AGREEMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENT PREPARATION FOR RHONDA ROAD EXTENSION FROM SR 273 TO PLEASANT HILLS DRIVE

City Engineer David Durette gave a staff report and, together with City Manager Jeff Kiser, answered questions from the Council.

By motion made, seconded (Baugh/Comnick), and carried by a 5-0 vote, the Council approved a funding agreement with JMA Vineyards Commercial LLC to preparation of construction documents (plans, specification and estimate) for the Rhonda Road extension from Pleasant Hills Drive to SR 273, and authorized the City Manager to sign the agreement on behalf of the City; and approved a professional services agreement with Remedy Engineering, Inc. to prepare the construction documents for the Rhonda Road extension and authorized the City Manager to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

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

STAFF REPORTS

City Manager Jeff Kiser, together with Police Chief Michael Johnson gave a brief overview of the new Criminal Justice Student Sponsorship Program the City has launched in an effort to recruit qualified candidates for Police Officer.

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS

Councilmembers used this time to report on meetings and activities they participated in and to announce upcoming events. Councilmember Yarbrough and Vice-Mayor Baugh gave a report on the League of California Cities Conference they both attended at the end of September in San Jose.

CLOSED SESSION

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

7:38 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. Anderson Police Officers Association

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION

(Gov't. Code Sec. 54956.9(d)(1))

Gerald Knighten v. City of Anderson, US District Court Case No. 2:15-CV-01751-TLN-
CMKBarbara A. Peck v. City of Anderson, Shasta County Superior Court Case No. 181009

LIABILITY CLAIM - WORKERS COMPENSATION CLAIM

(Pursuant to Govt. Code Section 54956.95)

Claim No. NCWA-556330

8:34 p.m.: The City Council reconvened to Open Session.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor Hunt announced Council sat in Closed Session to discuss labor negotiations, receive updates on existing litigation, and a workers compensation claim, with direction given and no reportable action taken.

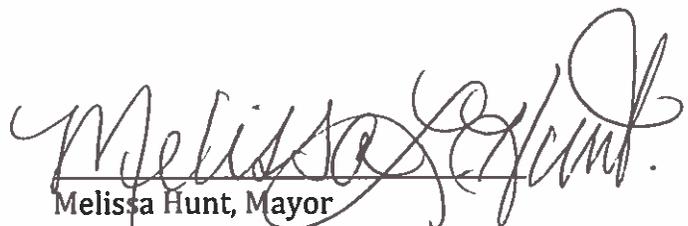
ADIJOURNMENT

8:34 p.m.: The City Council adjourned to October 20, 2015.

ATTEST:



Juanita Barnett, City Clerk



Melissa Hunt, Mayor