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REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL,
NEEDLES PUBLIC UTILITY AUTHORITY
CITY OF NEEDLES, CALIFORNIA
TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023
COUNCIL EXECUTIVE SESSION – **5:00 P.M.**
CITY COUNCIL MEETING – **6:00 P.M.**
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1111 BAILEY AVENUE, NEEDLES

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CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS (A three-minute time limit per person has been established.)

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Conference with Legal Counsel Regarding Potential Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4). (one potential case)
- b) Public Employee Performance Evaluation pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 - Title of position: City Clerk
- c) Public Employee Performance Evaluation pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 - Title: City Manager

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Report by City Attorney

ROLL CALL (Previously Taken)
INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
APPROVAL OF AGENDA
CONFLICT OF INTEREST
CORRESPONDENCE
INTRODUCTIONS
CITY ATTORNEY Parliamentary procedures

As a courtesy to those in attendance, we would ask that cell phones be turned off or set in their silent mode. Thank you.

PUBLIC APPEARANCE – Persons wishing to address the City Council on subjects other than those scheduled are requested to do so at this time. When called by the Mayor, please announce your name and address for the record. In order to conduct a timely meeting, a three-minute time limit per person has been established by Municipal Code Section 2-18. Amendments to the California Government Code Section 54950 prohibits the City Council from taking action on a specific item until it appears on the agenda.

PRESENTATION

- 1) Certificates of Appreciation to the Needles Varsity Girls Basketball Team in recognition for outstanding performance competing in the State Championship

CONSENT CALENDAR: All matters listed on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed. The Mayor or any member of the City Council may pull an item from the Consent Calendar for discussion. Prior to Council action, a member of the public may address the City Council on matters scheduled on the Consent Calendar. A three-minute time limit per person applies. **Recommended Action:** Approve Items 2 through 11 on the Consent Calendar by affirmative roll call vote. (ACT)

- 2) Approve the warrants register through March 14, 2023
- 3) Approve the minutes of January 10, January 24, February 14 and February 28, 2023
- 4) Approve the Needles Rodeo Association Daily License Application to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for the Needles Rodeo Association Rodeo, March 31-April 1, 2023 at the Needles Rodeo Grounds
- 5) Accept the cost increase for Design Services/CEQA Coordination by the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) for the Bridge Rehabilitation Project under the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) in the amount of \$14,000 using general fund reserves to be reimbursed by a grant administered by Caltrans Program at 88.53%
- 6) Accept Final Change Order #1 for work completed by Christensen Brothers General Engineering Inc on the Phase III Water Service Replacement and Street Improvements Project
- 7) Waive the reading and adopt Resolution 2023-19 authorizing a designation for the City of Needles as a Food Desert and direct the city manager to find available grants to assist a private party in building a grocery store
- 8) Waive the reading and adopt Resolution No. 2023-20 rescinding Resolution No. 2020-14 Declaration of the Existence of a Local Emergency (COVID-19)
- 9) A public hearing will be held on March 28 amending Chapter 2 “Administration” of the Needles Municipal Code adding Article IX Housing Commission (INF)
- 10) Accept the resignation of Karen “Kippy” Poulson as City Treasurer and direct staff to come back with a recommended replacement
- 11) City Council, acting as the Needles Housing Authority (NHA) Board, accepting the Housing Authority status report and direct the City Manager to finalize the audits for 2020-21 and 2021-22, develop the NHA budgets, develop and submit the Recovery Plan, and apply sufficient comprehensive fiscal controls consistent with the existing city purchasing and personnel policies

End of Consent

REGULAR ITEMS

PUBLIC COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE COUNCIL ITEMS (A three-minute time limit per person has been established.)

- 12) Waive the reading and adopt Ordinance No. 659-AC amending Municipal Code Section 92.00 "Definitions" and Section 93.04 "Commercial Zones" and Section 96.01 "Table of Permissible Uses" and Section 98.00 "Site Dimensions" and Section 99.03 "Table of Minimum Dwelling Unit Floor Area" and Section 99.05 "Height of Structures, Table of height limits nonresidential zones" and Section 99.06.02 "Common Usable Open Space Area" and Section 99.06.05 "Front, Side, Rear Yards, Table of yards required nonresidential zones" and Section 99.06.09 "Courts" and Section 111.04.27 "Downtown Core Parking Requirements" and Sections 12A-6, 12A-7, 12A-9, 12A-10, 12A-11 of the Cannabis Businesses ordinance and rescinding Ordinance 620-AC replacing Chapter VII "Intensity of Uses" (2nd reading adopt) (ACT)
- 13) Approve letters of Support for Legislation AB462 creating a pilot program in San Bernardino, Riverside, and Orange counties to establish and implement overdose response teams of law enforcement officers to combat the ongoing opioid crisis in San Bernardino County communities; and SB63 establishing two new grant programs for counties to develop and expand homeless and mental health courts and financial grant opportunities to county sheriffs and jail administrators providing programs to reduce homelessness among inmates who are released from custody (ACT)

CITY ATTORNEYS REPORT

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

COUNCIL REQUESTS

Councilmember Campbell
Councilmember McCorkle
Councilmember Merritt
Councilmember Pogue
Councilmember Belt
Councilmember Longbrake
Mayor Jernigan

ADJOURNMENT

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Posted March 10, 2023

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I hereby certify, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing Agenda was posted at the front entrance of City Hall not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Dated this 10th day of March 2023

Dale Jones, CMC, City Clerk