

CITY OF HIDDEN HILLS

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Hall

Monday, November 10, 2014

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Hidden Hills was duly held in the Council Chambers at the City Hall, 6165 Spring Valley Road, Hidden Hills, California 91302 on Monday, November 10, 2014 at the hour of 7:30 p.m. Mayor Marv Landon called the meeting to order and presided thereover after leading the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council:

Mayor Marv Landon
Council Member Jim Cohen
Council Member Steve Freedland
Council Member Stuart E. Siegel

Staff:

City Engineer Dirk Lovett
Water Quality Consultant Joe Bellomo
Building Official Greg Robinson
City Manager Cherie L. Paglia

Absent:

Mayor Pro Tem Larry G. Weber

Upon MOTION of Council Member Freedland, seconded by Council Member Siegel and unanimously carried, it was resolved to excuse the absence of Mayor Pro Tem Weber.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon MOTION of Council Member Freedland, seconded by Council Member Siegel and unanimously carried, it was resolved that the agenda for the November 10, 2014 regular meeting be approved as submitted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Landon made the following announcements:

Tomorrow, City Hall, the Community Center, and Building & Safety will be closed, and there will be no inspections, in honor of Veterans' Day.

Happy Birthday to Council Member Cohen (tomorrow), and to Kelsey Freedland, Council Member Freedland's daughter, on Wednesday.

The City has a general municipal election on 3/3/15, to fill three seats on the Council; the filing period for this election opened today, and extends through 5:00 p.m. on Friday, 12/5; if you have any questions, call City Clerk Deana Graybill at City Hall.

AUDIENCE

Community Association Board Member and City liaison Bret Katz thanked the City and Association and the staff of each for the excellent work done to make Halloween night very smooth and successful, with no major incidents or accidents - with a lot of that due to the arrangements made in relation to the Sheriff personnel, the street closures, and the extra lighting and guards.

Mayor Landon agreed, stating he heard nothing but compliments, with Council Member Freedland thanking Mr. Katz for his role in getting the roads closed. The City Manager also wished to thank the Association for the road closures and the way they were handled (with pedestrians and golf carts), suggesting that the same thing be considered for next year.

Resident Marco Sisto, who is currently interning with the Grossman Burn Foundation (founded by Hidden Hills residents Dr. Peter H. Grossman and his wife Rebecca), asked the Council to support #GivingTuesday, a movement to celebrate and provide incentives to give, which will culminate with a global day of giving on December 2, 2014. The Council agreed to consider a proclamation in support of this event at its next meeting on November 24th.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Consideration of Approval of Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Service Agreement for the Success Through Awareness and Resistance (STAR) Program for Fiscal Year 2014-2015

Upon MOTION of Council Member Siegel, seconded by Council Member Freedland and unanimously carried on roll call vote, it was resolved to approve the Service Agreement Between the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the City of Hidden Hills to provide the Success Through Awareness and Resistance (STAR) Program to six Round Meadow School 4th and 5th grade classes (total of 48 lessons) for ten months at a total cost of \$9,666.80.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. **City Council Minutes - October 13, 2014**
- B. **City Council Minutes - October 27, 2014**
- C. **Demand List**
- D. **Disbursement List - September**
- E. **Financial Treasurer's Report - September**

Upon MOTION of Council Member Cohen, seconded by Council Member Siegel and unanimously carried on roll call vote, it was resolved to approve items A, B, C, D, and E of the consent calendar as submitted.

MATTERS FROM CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Report from the 10/21/14 Las Virgenes Malibu Council of Governments Meeting

Council Member Siegel informed the Council of the following:

Ara Najarian, a Metro Board Member who represents our area, made a presentation at the meeting; we are beginning to see actual Measure R projects taking place, such as improvements to some of the local freeway overpasses; on the Metro Subregional Mobility Matrix there is a very long list of projects being proposed for future transportation funding, including some that could affect Hidden Hills, such as the addition of one HOV lane and one general purpose lane in each direction on the 101 freeway between SR-27 and the Ventura County line (proposed by striping, not widening); numerous bicycle plan projects are being considered, as well as improvements to the gateway area at Long Valley Road and the 101 freeway.

MATTERS FROM STAFF

A. Consideration of Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding Regarding the Administration and Cost Sharing for Implementing the Trash Monitoring and Reporting Plan ("TMRP") for the Malibu Creek Watershed

Water Quality Consultant Joe Bellomo provided the following report:

before the Council is a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the City's participation in a co-funded Trash Monitoring Reporting Plan (TMRP); this is a monitoring requirement of the trash TMDL in which the City was named in 2008 as a responsible agency, along with others in the Malibu Creek Watershed (MCW); the requirement was met; we developed a TMRP which was submitted to the Regional Board for approval in 2010; this was recently approved after a Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Plan (CIMP), a more holistic plan for monitoring (to supersede all existing monitoring plans), was submitted to the Regional Board for consideration and hopefully approval; the approval of the TMRP was a bit of a surprise, but something staff did budget for; the MOU will cover the period from 11/30/14, when the monitoring is supposed to start, until the CIMP is approved and up and running, which staff is estimating to be in about 7 months, at a cost to the City of approximately \$9000.

In response to Council Member Cohen and Council Member Siegel, Mr. Bellomo stated the following:

this is a very tight timeline, and the City does need to be in compliance with the TMDLs; in 2012, the new NPDES permit incorporated the trash TMDL as a requirement; that

incorporation made it a fineable violation (up to \$10,000 per day per violation) to not implement the requirements of the TMDLs; unlike other cost sharing formulas the City has entered into with MCW partners, this formula takes a different form; the City is taking a 1/8 portion of the monitoring responsibility only because of the locations of the compliance monitoring sites developed in the TMRP; once the CIMP is implemented, it will probably take on a cost sharing formula that we are more typically used to based on land area; since the City's portion in the MCW is something like .31%, the cost should be way less.

Upon MOTION of Council Member Siegel, seconded by Council Member Freedland and unanimously carried on roll call vote, it was resolved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding Between the County of Los Angeles and the Cities of Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Hidden Hills, Malibu and Westlake Village Regarding the Administration and Cost Sharing for Implementing the Trash Monitoring and Reporting Plan (TMRP) for the Malibu Creek Watershed at a cost of \$9,011.93, including the 10% contingency.

B. Consideration of Approval of an Agreement Between the City of Hidden Hills and County of Los Angeles for the County of Los Angeles to Maintain Catch Basin Trash Screens and Inserts (Miscellaneous Transfer Drain Number 1772)

City Engineer Dirk Lovett presented the following information:

one of the conditions of Vesting Tentative Map (VTM) 54063 (the Hidden Ridge project) was the requirement for the storm drain catch basins to have screens and inserts to catch sediment; these screens and inserts were installed on two catch basins when the storm drain was constructed and completed; in September, the Council adopted a resolution asking the County to accept the transfer and conveyance of Miscellaneous Transfer Drain No. 1772 (MTD) for future operation, maintenance, repair, and improvement; per County policy, MTDs do not include catch basin screens and inserts, or their maintenance, which must be provided by the City; however, the County, through an agreement, can provide the maintenance of the screens and inserts, at the City's cost; this was estimated to be an annual cost of \$750 (\$375 per catch basin per year); after negotiations with the developer, Hidden Ridge LLC (Gonens) paid the City \$7500 to cover approximately ten years of this maintenance, after which the costs will be borne by the City; staff is recommending approval of the proposed agreement for the maintenance of the screens and inserts.

Council Member Freedland thought the negotiations could have been better, resulting in the developer paying for a full ten years of coverage, which might be more than the \$7500 if the County decides to raise the annual cost. Council Member Siegel pointed out that the agreement would allow the City, with a 30 day notice, to end the agreement, which would give the City the ability to contract with some other entity for maintenance, if so desired. Upon MOTION of Council Member Freedland, seconded by Council Member Siegel and unanimously carried on roll call vote, it was resolved to approve the Agreement Re Transfer and Conveyance of MTD 1772 and the Maintenance of Best Management Practice Devices, and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.

C. Consideration of Approval of a Proposed Resolution Adopting a Schedule of Fees and Charges for Land Use and Development Services

The following staff report was provided by City Engineer Dirk Lovett:

the last time the City updated its fee schedule for property development was in 1998; based on a review/study undertaken this year, staff has prepared a draft resolution recommending a new fee schedule; some of the fees will be increasing while others will not; the fees were studied, based on three criteria: 1) survey of other agencies providing similar services, 2) Consumer Price Index, and 3) estimate of actual required hours and costs required; other than moderate increases, the major changes to the current fees include requiring a deposit in lieu of a set fee for those tasks that are generally unpredictable, such as revisions to tentative maps, general plan amendments, and geotechnical reviews; no building plan check or permit fees are proposed to be increased; however, the most recent valuation table (Square Foot Construction Costs found in the 2012 International Building Code) has been included, which does have increased valuations; so the valuations of buildings will be increased, and when the current fees are applied to those valuations, the net effect is that permit costs and plan checks will increase, even though the actual fees have not; staff is recommending adoption of the resolution.

A short discussion occurred after Council Member Siegel pointed out that although one of the proposed fees seemed much lower and one much higher than that of other cities, most were right in the ball park or even lower. Upon MOTION of Council Member Cohen, seconded by Council

Member Freedland and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adopt by title only Resolution No. 877 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIDDEN HILLS ADOPTING A SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES FOR LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.

D. Selection of 2015 Fiesta Dates

Upon MOTION of Council Member Freedland, seconded by Council Member Cohen and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the dates of Saturday, September 26th, and Sunday, September 27th, for the 2015 annual Fiesta.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon MOTION of Council Member Freedland, seconded by Council Member Siegel and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adjourn the regular meeting of November 10, 2014 at the hour of 8:06 p.m.

Marv Landon, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cherie L. Paglia, City Manager