CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES  
“The Pass of the Oaks” 

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES 
5:00 CLOSED SESSION / 6:30 REGULAR MEETING 

April 18, 2017 

Location: Paso Robles Library/City Hall Conference Center 
1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles 

5:00 PM – CALL TO ORDER 

ROLL CALL  Councilmembers Steve Gregory, John Hamon, Fred Strong, Jim Reed, and Mayor Steven Martin 

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS 

- Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (2 cases)  
  
Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(1)) 

  1. Steinbeck Vineyards #1 LLC et al. v. County of San Luis Obispo, et al., Santa Clara County Superior Court Case No. 1-14-CV-265039 
  2. Robert Eidemiller v. County of San Luis Obispo, et al., Santa Clara County Superior Court Case No. 1-14-CV-269212 

- Meet and Confer Conference with Labor Negotiator  
  
Gov. Code section 54957.6 

City Negotiator: Thomas Frutchey, City Manager 
Employee Organizations: 
  International Association of Firefighters (IAFF)  
  Police Officers Association (POA)  
  Service Employees International Union (SEIU)  
  Unrepresented Management  
  Unrepresented Part-time Employees 

PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION MATTERS - None 

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION 

6:00 PM – VOLUNTEER RECEPTION 

6:30 PM – RECONVENED TO OPEN SESSION; CALLED REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER 

INVOCATION  Pat Sheeean, Family Worship Center 

ROLL CALL  Councilmembers Steve Gregory, John Hamon, Fred Strong, Jim Reed, and Mayor Steven Martin 

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION  No reportable action 

PRESENTATIONS 

1. National Volunteer Recognition  
   Mayor Martin read and presented a proclamation recognizing the contributions of numerous Paso Robles volunteers. 
   
   PUBLIC COMMENT. None 

2. Conservation Report  
   Director of Public Works Dick McKinley reported on City conservation efforts. 
   
   PUBLIC COMMENT. Corrine Schuster (No speaker card?) and Chip Tamagni.
GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS. Chip Tamagni, Lowell Gresham, Mike Cussen, Penny Tingey, Steve Fleury, John Drinkwater, Joy Sprague, Elizabeth Schumann, Mike Sanford, and Corrine Schuster.

AGENDA ITEMS TO BE DEFERRED. None

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. Approved City Council Minutes from 4/4/17
4. Received Warrant Registers
5. Received Advisory Body Minutes
   Youth Commission (3/1/17)
   Travel Paso Robles Alliance (3/3/17)
   Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (3/13/17)
   Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (3/13/17)
   Planning Commission (3/28/17)
6. Approved Resolution No. 17-042 through 17-047 -Proceedings to Initiate the Annual Levy of Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No. 1 and Drainage Maintenance District 2008-1 for Fiscal Year 2017/2018
7. Awarded Contract for Median/Parkway Landscape Maintenance
8. Approved Resolution No. 17-048 Awarding the Annual Pavement Striping Project
9. Reclassified a Vacant Wastewater Maintenance Specialist II to a Technical Supervisor I

PUBLIC COMMENT. None

ROLL CALL VOTE. Motion made by Councilman Strong and seconded by Councilman Gregory to approve consent items 3-9 on a single motion.

AYES: Strong, Gregory, Hamon, Reed, Martin

Councilman Hamon recused himself on item #8, due to the potential for a perceived conflict of interest.

REPORT ON ITEMS APPROVED ON CONSENT

PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. Oak Tree Removal Permit 17-007 (Experimental Station Road – Blue Oak Apartments): Council Consideration of OTR 17-007 Request to Remove One 11-inch Diameter Blue Oak Tree (Tree No. 76) in Conjunction with the Development of a 142-unit Apartment Project

PUBLIC COMMENT. Astrid Collins (applicant) and Chip Tamagni (applicant’s representative).

ROLL CALL VOTE. Motion made by Councilman Hamon and seconded by Councilman Gregory to approve Resolution No. 17-049, approving OTR 17-007, based on the Council finding there are no reasonable alternatives to the proposed design and use of the property and that every reasonable effort has been made to avoid impacting oak trees.

AYES: Hamon, Gregory, Reed, Martin

NOES: Strong

11. Oak Tree Removal Permits (OTR 17-005) – A Request by Linda Thorndyke (Property Owner/Applicant) Requesting that the City Council Allow the Removal of One Valley Oak Tree (38-inch dbh) at 515 21st St.

PUBLIC COMMENT. Linda Thorndyke (applicant).

ROLL CALL VOTE. Motion made by Councilman Strong and seconded by Councilman Hamon to approve Resolution No. 17-050 approving the removal of the tree, as a result of the tree being in poor condition and likely to cause damage to the property if it were to remain, and requiring payment to the Oak Tree Replacement Fund for six replacement trees required as mitigation.

AYES: Strong, Hamon, Gregory, Reed, Martin
12. Risk Management Cost Increase

PUBLIC COMMENT. None

ROLL CALL VOTE. Motion made by Councilman Gregory and seconded by Councilman Hamon to approve Resolution No. 17-051 authorizing the appropriation of $290,472 from the General Fund, $54,764 from the Water Fund, and $54,764 from the Waste Water Fund, to cover the increase in the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA) annual contribution for FY 2017-18.

AYES: Gregory, Hamon, Strong, Reed, Martin

DISCUSSION ITEMS

13. Authorize All-Way Stop Control at the Intersection of North River Road and River Oaks Drive and Delegate to the Public Works Director the Future Approval of Stop Signs Supported by the Appropriate Warrants or City Engineer’s Analysis

PUBLIC COMMENT. None

ROLL CALL VOTE #1. Motion made by Councilman Gregory and seconded by Councilman Strong to approve Resolution 17-052 authorizing the Director of Public Works to install all-way Stop Control at the intersection of North River Road and River Oaks Drive.

AYES: Gregory, Strong, Hamon, Reed, Martin

ROLL CALL VOTE #2. Motion made by Councilman Gregory and seconded by Councilman Strong to approve Resolution 17-053 authorizing the Director of Public Works to install stop signs when supported by warrants established by the CMUTCD and documented by a report prepared by a Traffic Engineer, after review and approval by the City Council.

AYES: Gregory, Strong, Hamon, Reed,
NOES: Martin

14. Water Conservation Requirements

PUBLIC COMMENT. None

ROLL CALL VOTE. Motion made by Councilman Gregory and seconded by Councilman Strong to approve Resolution No. 17-054 declaring a “Level 1” condition (voluntary conservation) effective May 1, 2017, ending the current “Level 2” condition.

AYES: Gregory, Strong, Hamon, Reed, Martin

COUNCIL BUSINESS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

15. Current Council Committee Activities Reports

Councilmembers and the Mayor reported on committee and other related City activities. Councilman Reed suggested a future agendized discussion of the sanctuary city topic; the balance of the Council agreed.

ADJOURNMENT of regular meeting at 9:07PM
Motion made by Councilman Strong, seconded by Councilman Hamon, and passed unanimously to adjourn regular meeting.

Kristen L. Buukemper, Deputy City Clerk
Approved: May 2, 2017

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