

**MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE JURUPA VALLEY CITY COUNCIL
September 20, 2012**

The meeting was held at the former Sam's Western Wear Building, City Council Chamber, 8930
Limonite Avenue, Jurupa Valley, CA 92509

1. 7:00 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

- Laura Roughton, Mayor
- Verne Lauritzen, Mayor Pro-Tem
- Micheal Goodland, Council Member
- Brad Hancock, Council Member
- Frank Johnston, Council Member

Mayor Roughton called the regular meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

2. INVOCATION was given by Priest Sarabjit Singh, Sikh Temple, Riverside.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Pro Tem Lauritzen.

4. INTRODUCTIONS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, PRELIMINARY CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Johnston welcomed everyone to the meeting, stating that over the past 24 hours, the City received disappointing news that Assembly Bill 1098 was vetoed by Governor Brown. He stated that he would allow the Mayor to elaborate on this issue.

Council Member Hancock stated that he was saddened by the news about Assembly Bill 1098. He expressed appreciation to Priest Singh for leading the Invocation. He stated that the Council's thoughts and prayers went out to their congregation when the Wisconsin shooting tragedy occurred back in August.

Council Member Goodland had no comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Lauritzen spoke of his frustration and disappointment over Governor Brown's decision to veto Assembly Bill 1098. He stated that the citizens of Jurupa Valley worked very hard to become a city so that they could have the ability to govern themselves. He outlined why the City was better off since gaining cityhood, which includes local control of tax dollars that are generated in the community. He explained the misinformation and inaccuracies that were referenced in the Governor's veto letter. Despite this setback, he promised that the Council will continue to pursue other avenues to find a resolution to the fiscal issues facing the City.

Mayor Roughton echoed Mayor Pro Tem Lauritzen's comments that Governor Brown's veto letter was full of inaccuracies. She spoke of the need to disseminate accurate information about this issue to the community, stating that this is not a time to panic. She referenced a quote that read: "Life is like photography – we develop from the negatives" that reflects how this monetary challenge has continued to make the Council and the community stronger and more united. She discussed what a milestone it was to have so much bipartisan support of this bill, stating that to have it go through both houses and various committees in the short time that it did was "nothing short of a miracle." Even though this is a setback the City has not failed. There will be new efforts to regroup and move forward. She thanked Supervisor John Tavaglione and the County of Riverside for their support on the City's behalf. She stated that when she got the news yesterday it only increased her resolve to fix this situation so Jurupa Valley can survive as a city.

APPROVAL OF LATE BREAKING ITEM

Mayor Roughton requested that the City Council consider a subsequent need item that arose after the posting of the printed Agenda. The matter relates to Governor Brown's veto of Assembly Bill 1098 on September 19, 2012. There is a need to take immediate action because the Governor's veto of the bill dramatically affects the finances of the City and the veto occurred after the posting of the City Council agenda. This action is authorized by Government Code Section 54954.2, subsection (b)(2).

A motion was made by Council Member Hancock, seconded by Council Member Johnston to add this item to the Agenda as Item 12.C.

Ayes: Goodland, Hancock, Johnston, Lauritzen, Roughton
Noes: None
Abstained: None

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Johnston, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lauritzen, to approve the Agenda.

Ayes: Goodland, Hancock, Johnston, Lauritzen, Roughton
Noes: None
Abstained: None

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. RECOGNITION OF THE INCORPORATION CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

Mayor Roughton presented the following members of the Incorporation Celebration Committee with a Certificate of Recognition for their service to the Committee: Linda Thompson, Kelly Dodd, John West, David Zimmerman, Irene Salazar, Diana Leja, and Barbara Barbula. Each member of the committee was

also presented with a commemorative coffee mug as a token of Mayor Roughton's appreciation. The Jurupa Valley Chamber of Commerce was also recognized for their assistance with the City's Incorporation Celebration events. Robert Zavala, Vice President of the Chamber thanked the Council for their recognition.

B. PROCLAMATION - PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 29, 2012 AS THE DAY FOR THE JURUPA VALLEY FOOD FEST

Mayor Roughton read aloud a Proclamation proclaiming September 29, 2012 as the day for the Jurupa Valley Food Fest and presented copies of the Proclamations to the Rotary and Lion's Clubs who are the co-sponsors of the event.

C. DEPARTMENTAL PRESENTATION – BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Reggie Meigs, Chief Building Official, gave a presentation on the Building Department.

7. PUBLIC APPEARANCE/COMMENTS

Rebecca Ludwig spoke regarding the Keeping it Real Young Men's Conference held on May 10, 2012. She expressed her view that even though the conference was well presented; she was very disheartened when she heard what some of the boys had to say to her about the conference, noting that the majority of the attendees were Hispanic and were from Riverside schools. She felt it was very important to inform the Council that based on statistics of the number of new gang members, this program is not working. 2) She discussed Riverside Hospice, stating that she has documentation that proves that they are misrepresenting themselves as a legitimate non-profit organization. 3) She discussed the new day care center on Riverview and Mission, stating that she has concerns that the proposed school is being built too close to an electrical station. (Kim Johnson and Marcos Enriquez donated their time to Ms. Ludwig).

Laura Mendoza stated that she lives across from the Space Center near the 60 Freeway. She advised that there is no internet access in this area. She has tried various internet providers but has been told that the existing power supply is very old and needs to be replaced.

Mayor Roughton asked City staff to look into this matter.

Paul Luna voiced a concern that the canal in Rubidoux is a breeding ground for insects and trash. He has concerns that school kids cross the canal on their way home from school. He asked if the canal could be gated off to help resolve this issue.

George Wentz, Assistant City Manager advised that staff has done quite a bit of investigation on this issue. He will meet with Mr. Luna to give him an update on what actions have been taken thus far.

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. SEPTEMBER 6, 2012 MEETING

A motion was made by Council Member Goodland, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lauritzen, to approve the Minutes of the September 6, 2012 meeting.

Ayes: Goodland, Hancock, Johnston, Lauritzen, Roughton
Noes: None
Abstained: None

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. COUNCIL APPROVAL OF A MOTION TO WAIVE THE READING OF THE TEXT OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA

Requested Action: That the City Council waive the reading of the text of all ordinances and resolutions included in the agenda.

B. CONSIDERATION OF CHECK REGISTER AND PAYROLL REGISTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$248,911.93.

Requested Action: That the City Council ratify the check register and payroll register dated August 30 and September 6, 2012 and the payroll register dated September 5, 2012.

A motion was made by Council Member Goodland, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lauritzen, to approve the Consent Calendar.

Ayes: Goodland, Hancock, Johnston, Lauritzen, Roughton
Noes: None
Abstained: None

10. CONSIDERATION OF ANY ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR - NONE

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

12. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. DISSOLUTION OF THE CITY INCORPORATION CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

Gary Thompson, Management Analyst, presented the staff report.

A motion was made by Council Member Johnston, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lauritzen, to dissolve the Incorporation Celebration Committee as recommended by the Incorporation Celebration Committee.

Ayes: Goodland, Hancock, Johnston, Lauritzen, Roughton
Noes: None
Abstained: None

B. AMENDMENT TO THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT OF THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TO PERMIT THE PROVISION OF PACE SERVICES

Gary Thompson, Management Analyst, presented the staff report.

Barbara Spoonhour, Director of Energy and Environmental Programs, WRCOG, provided additional information and responded to Council's questions.

A motion was made by Council Member Goodland, seconded by Council Member Johnston, to approve the Amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement with the Western Riverside Council of Governments to permit the provision of PACE services statewide, and authorize the Mayor to execute the Amendment.

Ayes: Goodland, Hancock, Johnston, Lauritzen, Roughton
Noes: None
Abstained: None

C. DISCUSSION OF GOVERNOR'S VETO OF ASSEMBLY BILL 1098

City Manager Stephen Harding presented the staff report.

Following discussion, the City Council suggested various next steps which include consideration of a legislative override and/or holding future Town Hall meetings in various parts of the community to inform residents about the fiscal challenges facing the City.

13. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER ORAL/WRITTEN REPORTS REGARDING REGIONAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A. MAYOR PRO TEM VERNE LAURITZEN

1. Mayor Pro Tem Lauritzen gave an update on the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Meeting on September 10, 2012.

B. COUNCIL MEMBER MICHEAL GOODLAND

1. **Council Member Goodland gave an update on the Western Riverside Council of Governments Meeting on September 10, 2012.**

C. COUNCIL MEMBER BRAD HANCOCK

1. **Council Member Hancock gave an update on the Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District Meeting on September 20, 2012.**

D. COUNCIL MEMBER FRANK JOHNSTON

1. **Council Member Johnston gave an update on the Riverside County Transportation Commission Meeting on September 12, 2012.**
2. **Council Member Johnston gave an update on the Riverside Transit Agency – Transportation NOW Meeting on September 13, 2012.**

14. SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (ONLY IF NEEDED)

15. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Peter Thorson expressed his concern on behalf of the lawyers at Richards, Watson, Gershon, stating that they share the City's disappointment of the Governor's veto of Assembly Bill 1098 and they will do everything they can to help with this matter.

16. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Stephen Harding introduced Gary Thompson, Management Analyst, who provided information on the City's grant application for the Bloomberg Mayor's Challenge. At the request of Council Member Goodland, Mr. Harding updated the Council on a grant opportunity that was circulated by Planning Commissioner Burris.

17. FURTHER COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Council Member Johnston thanked everyone for their support and positive comments regarding cityhood, stating that he believes the city will ultimately prevail in remaining a city. He discussed a good news story involving the old Jensen Quarry processing plant that had become a graffiti-ridden eyesore in the community. Last Wednesday, as part of the city's clean-up effort, Dakeno Demolition demolished the vacant building for free. He expressed appreciation for their efforts, stating that "this is the type of people we have in this community, individuals who are willing to step forward and show their community spirit."

Council Member Hancock thanked Dakeno Demolition for doing such a wonderful thing for the community. He asked city staff to work with Mr. Martinez and Mr. Luna to help resolve their issues regarding the Rubidoux canal. He discussed the illegal dumping issue, stating that last Wednesday night; he organized his Boy Scout troop along with two adults who agreed to help clean up Granite Hill. They picked up 1,200 lbs. of trash that

evening. On the very next morning, there were two mattresses and a chest of drawers. This matter continues to concern him and he promised to bring forward some new ideas to resolve this issue. He thanked everyone for their support, stating the Council will continue to fight to stay a city.

Council Member Goodland discussed options that may be available to the city from vendors that offer services to prevent illegal dumping. He thanked City staff for all their efforts on the AB 1098 issue, specifically thanking City Manager Harding who has put in a tremendous amount of work on this issue.

Mayor Pro Tem Lauritzen reported on a recent trip to Colorado, stating that he spoke to an individual who had heard about the plight of Jurupa Valley. He remarked that it was very heartening to realize that Jurupa Valley's financial struggle has become a national story.

Mayor Roughton reported on her attendance at the Santa Ana River Trail and Parkway Partnership teleconference meeting, where one of the actions was to approve funding to complete a portion of the trail near the Prado Dam where the three counties (Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino) come together. Any funds left will be used for the northern portion of the San Bernardino trail. On September 10th she attended the Quad Cities Breakfast which is when the mayors of the cities of Norco, Corona, Eastvale and Jurupa Valley get together every other month. Jurupa Valley hosted the breakfast this month at the Lone Ranger Café in Glen Avon. On September 11th she attended the 9/11 Remembrance at VFW Post 10267. It was a solemn occasion that provided an opportunity to remember those who were lost that day and thank those that continue to serve on our behalf. On September 13, she attended the dedication ceremony to commemorate the completion of work on the Van Buren Avenue Bridge. This past Sunday, there was a very successful car show at the Spectrum which raised funds for the Alzheimer's Foundation. She joined Supervisor Tavaglione at the annual luncheon at the Eddie Dee Smith Senior Center, stating it was very enjoyable to visit with the residents. She announced the following upcoming events: On September 21, the VFW will host a National POW/MIA Recognition Ceremony at 5 pm. On September 25, the Jurupa Valley Chamber of Commerce will host a mixer at Country Village from 6 pm to 8 pm. On Saturday, September 29, the Jurupa Valley Food Fest will be held at the Spectrum. That same morning, the Flabob Airport will host the First Annual Flying Circus.

18. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Roughton adjourned the meeting at 10:18 p.m.

The next meeting of the Jurupa Valley City Council will be held October 4, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the former Sam's Western Wear Building, City Council Chamber, 8930 Limonite Avenue, Jurupa Valley, CA 92509.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Wasko

Victoria Wasko, CMC
City Clerk