

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gonzales called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmember Dr. Gabino Aguirre, Councilmember Ray C. Luna, Councilmember John T. Procter, Vice Mayor Ralph J. Fernandez, and Mayor Robert S. Gonzales responded to roll call. City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz, City Attorney Karl H. Berger, and Deputy City Clerk Lorena Alvarez were also present. City Clerk Josie Guzman Herrera was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment.

CLOSED SESSION

- A. Conference with Labor Negotiators – Government Code 54957.6. City Negotiators: City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz and Human Resources Manager Kathy Campbell. Employee Organization: Confidential and Community Services Officer (CSO) Unit.

Mayor Gonzales recessed the City Council to a closed session at 6:10 p.m., and reconvened the City Council at 6:20 p.m. No reportable action. Mayor Gonzales recessed the City Council at 6:20 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gonzales called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. Pastor Chip Northup led the invocation and Vice Mayor Fernandez led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Councilmember Dr. Gabino Aguirre, Councilmember Ray C. Luna, Councilmember John T. Procter, Vice Mayor Ralph J. Fernandez, and Mayor Robert S. Gonzales responded to roll call. City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz, City Attorney Karl H. Berger, Deputy City Clerk Lorena Alvarez, Peggy Kelly from the Santa Paula Times and Kathleen Wilson from the Ventura County Star were also present. City Clerk Josie G. Herrera was absent.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

No reportable action.

PRESENTATIONS

- A. Presentation by Police Chief Stephen MacKinnon Regarding Police Open House April 12, 2008

Chief of Police Stephen MacKinnon invited the community to visit the police station for a tour during the open house and auction on April 12, 2008.

- B. Presentation of Proclamation to Ventura County Public Health in Recognition of "National Public Health Week"

Councilmember Aguirre presented proclamation to the Ventura County Public Health.

Representative from Ventura County Public Health thanked the Council for their past support.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carolyn Price, Santa Paula Ministerial Association, spoke in regards to the Housing Element draft that will be submitted to the State and invited the Council to attend a meeting to discuss homelessness on April 30, 2008, at St. Sebastian Church.

COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Procter reminded the community of the Relay for Life event on May 3rd and May 4th.

APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA

It was moved by Councilmember Aguirre, seconded by Councilmember Procter to approve the final agenda as presented. All were in favor under roll call vote and the motion carried.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Councilmember Aguirre, seconded by Councilmember Procter to approve the consent calendar as presented. All were in favor under roll call vote and the motion carried.

- A. **Waiver of Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions** – Waive reading of Ordinances and Resolutions appearing on the Agenda.
- B. **Receive and File Reimbursement Reports** - In accordance with Government Code §§ 53232.2, 53232.3, and Resolution No. 6258, receive and file reimbursement reports as specified.
- C. **Planning Commission Action Report** - Pursuant to Resolution No. 6456, receive and file the Planning Director's report regarding Planning Commission actions taken on March 25, 2008. Alternatively, in accordance with SPMC § 16.206.060 the City Council may place an item on a future agenda to consider issuing an order of review regarding an action.
- D. **Warrants and Certifications** - Review, approve, and file the attached warrants and certifications. Finance Director John T. Quinn's report dated April 2, 2008.

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Invoices	02/19/08 & 02/22/08	\$ 31,421.29
Invoices	03/03/08 – 03/07/08	\$ 146,034.41
Invoices	03/17/08 & 03/21/08	\$ 50,468.72
Wire Transfers	03/26/08	\$ 50,328.54
Invoices	03/27/08	
Wire Transfers	03/26/08	
Subtotal		\$ 323,950.99
Invoices	03/27/08	\$ 193.00
Invoices	03/27/08	\$ 1,000.00

TOTAL \$ 603,396.95

- E. **Minutes** – Adopt the Minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting of January 22, 2008.
- F. **Minutes** – Adopt the Minutes from the Special City Council Meeting of January 24, 2008.
- G. **Minutes** – Adopt the Minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting of February 4, 2008.

PUBLIC HEARING

- A. **Proposed Fee Increase for Fingerprinting Services**

Chief of Police Stephen MacKinnon's report dated March 27, 2008.

Upon verification of proper notification and posting by the Deputy City Clerk, Mayor Gonzales opened the Public Hearing at 6:54 p.m.

It was moved by Councilmember Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Fernandez to adopt Resolution No. 6474 with an amendment on section 2. All were in favor under roll call vote and the motion carried.

Mayor Gonzales closed the Public Hearing at 6:58 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- A. **Water Recycling Facility – Selection of Team to Design, Build, Operate and Finance the New Water Recycling Facility (WRF)**

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz, WRF Project Manager Clifford G. Finley, and Finance Director John T. Quinn's report dated April 2, 2008.

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Bob Vilker, Carollo Engineers, described the evaluation process and through a powerpoint presentation provided the Council with the technical evaluation and rating of both the PERC and Veolia proposals.

Robb Grantham, FCS Group, provided the Council with the financial evaluation of the both the PERC and Veolia Water proposals.

WRF Project Manager Clifford G. Finley recommended based on the evaluations of staff that the Council approve the design proposed by Veolia and direct staff to finalize negotiations with Veolia Water.

RECESS TO BREAK

Mayor Gonzales recessed the City Council to a break at 7:56 p.m.

RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Gonzales reconvened the City Council at 8:11 p.m.

Brian Cullen, President of PERC, provided the Council with a powerpoint presentation and spoke in regards to their best and final offer and their guarantees. Mr. Cullen also compared their proposal to the proposal of Veolia Water.

Philip Dyk, Alinda Capital Partners, made clarifications to the powerpoint presentation staff presented and reassured the Council that Alinda was flexible with their financing options. Mr. Dike spoke in regards to the financing options Alinda is offering.

Shane Trussel, Trussel Technologies, spoke in regards to the services his company offers and their experience with the MBR technology.

James Matthews, Vice President of Pacific Advance Civil Engineering, spoke in regards to the role his company will have in providing support to PERC.

Steve Owen, Vice President of PERC, spoke in regards to the proposal PERC submitted and the support team and their experience.

Robert Ashfield, President of Veolia Water, provided the Council with an overview of the projects Veolia Water has constructed and discussed their best and final offer, including the financing options submitted to the City.

Chuck Voltz, President of North America West Veolia Water Region, spoke in regards to the experience of the team they selected for the project and commended City staff on their evaluation process of the best and final offer.

Chuck Cohen, Blois Construction, spoke in support of PERC and communicated to the Council that Blois Construction would be part of the PERC team if their proposal is accepted.

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Jim Blois, President of Blois Construction, spoke in regards to the qualifications of his company and introduced local employees that would be working on the Water Recycling Facility project if PERC is selected.

Craig Watkins, Veolia Water, spoke in regards to his professional experience and discussed the proposal submitted by Veolia Water.

Stan Simmons, Lyles Construction, spoke in support of Veolia Water and gave an overview of his company's building record.

Conner Everts, Southern California Watershed Alliance, suggested that the Council postpone a decision to a future meeting .

Gayle Washburn, 123 Surry Way, Fillmore, spoke in support of PERC.

Rodney Cobos, 644 Ridgecrest Drive, spoke in support of Veolia Water.

Adam Scow, Food and Water Watch, shared information his organization had gathered regarding the lawsuits associated with Veolia Water.

Ken Chapman, Todd Lane, spoke in support of PERC.

Richard Main, 15888 Foothill Road, spoke in support of PERC.

Bob Ashfield, Veolia Water, reiterated Veolia's proposal to the Council and discussed the benefits of their proposal.

Brian Cullen, PERC, compared PERC's proposal with the proposal submitted by Veolia Water.

Steve Owen, PERC, spoke in regards to the benefits of approving PERC's proposal.

RECESS TO BREAK

Mayor Gonzales recessed the City Council to a break at 10:20 p.m.

RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Gonzales reconvened the City Council at 10:40 p.m.

Laurence Wiener, representing Richards, Watson and Gershon, spoke in regards to the contract negotiations that have taken place with both the attorneys of Veolia Water and PERC and provided the Council with an overview of the "legalese" of both contracts.

It was the consensus of the Council to direct both Veolia Water and PERC to submit a final proposal to address the questions of the Council by the end of business on April 10, 2008, and to schedule a special meeting on April 15, 2008, at 2:00 p.m., to make a selection of the team to design, build, operate, and finance the new Water Recycling Facility.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gonzales adjourned the meeting at 12: 47 a.m. on April 8, 2008.

ATTEST:

Josie Guzman Herrera
City Clerk