

Rio Vista City Council
MINUTES
Thursday, September 18, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers
One Main Street
Rio Vista, California 94571

Roll Call

Present: Councilmembers Bhakta, Jones, Kelly, Vick, and Mayor Woodruff

Absent: None

Flag Salute – Led by Mayor Woodruff

Public Comment

Mike Rydell and Dave Stamp, City residents, presented an update on concerns expressed at the September 4, 2008 City Council Meeting related to heavy truck traffic on Liberty Island Road and the request to post weight limit restrictions.

Referred to Staff to be listed on the September 24, 2008 Special City Council Meeting agenda.

1. Reports of Council and Staff

Staff reports included:

Community Development – Progressing with incorporating comments on the environmental document for Del Rio Hills; Riverwalk project scheduled for the October 2, 2008 City Council Meeting.

Police Department – Traffic enforcement on Liberty Island Road; selection of Officer McDowell as Rio Vista Police Officer of the Year, recognition at the Solano County Peace Officer event, and that Officer McDowell he will be leaving the City of Rio Vista to work for the City of Fairfield.

There were no Council reports.

2. City Commission Reports / Chamber of Commerce Report

Marti Rogers, representing the Airport Advisory Commission, presented a report on the cleanup of the Airport grounds, safety, security fencing, and the formation of a Public Relations Subcommittee and requested the vacancy on the Airport Commission be filled.

Mayor Woodruff responded on his review of applications for selection of a Commissioner at the October 2, 2008 City Council Meeting.

3. City Treasurer's Report as August 31, 2008

Treasurer's report submitted by City Treasurer Natalie Crew and accepted by the Council.

4. **Consent Calendar**
 - a. **Warrant Register for August 2008**
 - b. **Minutes of Special City Council Meeting for September 4, 2008**
 - c. **Award a contract in the amount of \$31,874.33 to Pacific Weathershield, Inc. for the Police Station Roof Rehabilitation, adopted Resolution No. 2008-088.**
 - d. **Authorize the City Manager to execute and submit project applications for Proposition 40 Funds, with Resolution for adoption.**
 - e. **Authorize the Public Works Director to sign right of way certification forms, adopted Resolution No. 2008-090.**
 - f. **Award a contract in the amount of \$118,718 to AC General Engineering, Inc. for the Second Street Rehabilitation Project 2008-01, adopted Resolution No. 2008-091.**
 - g. **Notice of review of the Conflict of Interest Code**
 - h. **Approving revisions permitting the extension of an approved Memorandum Of Understanding between The City of Rio Vista and the State Department of Water Resources to align the term of the Agreement with that set forth in the Associated Service Agreement, adopted Resolution No. 08-092.**
 - i. **Approve a letter agreement establishing the terms and rent for an Amendment to the Land Lease Agreement with Crown Castle for location of an antenna at the City's well site, with Resolution for adoption.**

Motion by Vick, seconded by Jones, to remove Item 4d and 4i from the Consent Calendar and approve the remaining items as presented.

Roll-call vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Bhakta, Jones, Kelly, Vick, and Mayor Woodruff

Noes: None

Absent: None

Consent Calendar Item 4d:

Removed by Mayor Woodruff for clarification of projects selected and the City's ability to change projects at a later date. He expressed concerns related to the proposed boat launch pay station.

City Manager Hector De La Rosa responded that the City does have the ability to change projects and Police Chief Bowen responded on the benefits of the proposed boat launch pay station, including accountability, tracking, and revenue source. He also spoke on concerns related to the location of the existing pay station.

Motion by Mayor Woodruff, seconded by Vice Mayor Kelly, to adopt Resolution No. 2008-089.

Roll-call vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Bhakta, Jones, Kelly, Vick, and Mayor Woodruff

Noes: None

Absent: None

Consent Calendar Item 4i:

Item removed by Councilmember Bhakta for clarification of lease terms and termination clause.

City Manager Hector De La Rosa responded on the proposed terms of the lease and termination clause.

Ed Shea, representing Crown Castle, responded to Council questions on the proposed 20-year term with two 5-year extensions.

City Attorney Harriet Steiner clarified the Letter of Intent Agreement is listed for approval tonight and the actual lease will be brought back to the Council at a later date.

Motion by Bhakta, seconded by Vick, to adopt Resolution No. 2008-093.

Roll-call vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Bhakta, Jones, Kelly, Vick, and Mayor Woodruff

Noes: None

Absent: None

Public Hearing

5. Second reading and adoption of an Ordinance approving amendments to Title 17.56 “Zoning Ordinance; Signs”

Planning Manager Emi Theriault addressed Council on the proposed Ordinance, citing the benefits of adopting sidewalk sign regulations.

Mayor Woodruff opened the Public Hearing.

There was no public testimony.

Mayor Woodruff closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Jones, seconded by Bhakta, to adopt Ordinance No. 636, approving amendments to the Zoning Ordinance; Signs.

Roll-call vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Bhakta, Jones, Kelly, Vick, and Mayor Woodruff

Noes: None

Absent: None

6. Consider a request from the Rio Vista Chamber of Commerce to co-sponsor the Bass Festival and authorize in-kind support services at an estimated cost of \$19,000 or to waive the cost associated with staff time participation/assistance prior, during and after the Bass Festival, with Resolution for adoption.

City Manager Hector De La Rosa reported on the City’s past history of co-sponsoring the Bass Festival and spoke in support of approving the request, citing the benefit to the community. He stated the Chamber of Commerce has secured additional volunteers to reduce the estimated cost of \$19,000 to \$17,000.

Mary Ellen Lamothe, Chamber of Commerce President, spoke in support of approving the request, citing the Chamber’s efforts to plan the Bass Derby and Festival in the most economical way and announced the scheduled events, including a parade and fireworks.

Mayor Woodruff cited City budget deficit concerns.

Councilmembers spoke in support.

Motion by Mayor Woodruff, seconded by Councilmember Vick, to adopt Resolution No. 2008-094, as amended to reduce the \$19,000 of in-kind support to \$17,000.

Roll-call vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Bhakta, Jones, Kelly, Vick, and Mayor Woodruff

Noes: None

Absent: None

7. Designate of voting delegate and alternate(s) for the 2008 League of California Cities Annual Conference, with Resolution for adoption.

No action taken as Councilmembers and Mayor Woodruff indicated they will not be attending the Conference.

8. Review and discuss elements of the 2008 water rates.

City Manager Hector De La Rosa reported that three options will be listed on the September 24, 2008 Special City Council Meeting agenda for Council consideration.

9. Review and discuss the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Budget

To be relisted on the September 24, 2008 Special City Council Meeting agenda.

Recess: 7:50 p.m.

Reconvened in Closed Session at 8:00 p.m.

**10. Closed Session
Conference with Legal Counsel (Government Code Section 54956.9(a))
Solano Properties, LLC v. City of Rio Vista
Solano County Superior Court Case No. FCS 028516**

Closed Session Disclosure: No reportable action taken.

11. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned.

Carolyn Parkinson, MMC
Interim City Clerk