

CITY OF HIDDEN HILLS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Hall

Monday, August 26, 2019

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, August 26, 2019 at the hour of 6:30 p.m. Mayor Larry G. Weber called the meeting to order and presided thereover after leading the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council:

Mayor Larry G. Weber
Mayor Pro Tem Bret Katz
Council Member Steve Freedland
Council Member Laura McCorkindale
Council Member Stuart E. Siegel

Staff:

City Manager Kerry Kallman
City Attorney Roxanne Diaz
City Engineer Dirk Lovett
City Clerk Deana L. Graybill
Emergency Services Coordinator Mike Woodard

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon MOTION of Council Member Siegel, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Katz and unanimously carried, it was resolved that the agenda for the August 26, 2019 regular meeting be approved as submitted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fiesta meal tickets are on sale now at City Hall (Spring Valley).
Labor Day is Monday, September 2nd and all offices will be closed.
Happy Birthday to Council Member Freedland's wife Susan on 9/8.

AUDIENCE

There were no comments or questions at this time.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Siegel reported that the Ad hoc Undergrounding Committee met and walked the first location on Long Valley (Little Hollow to the Community Center) and progress continues.

Council Member Freedland reported that he attended the last Woolsey Fire Task Force meeting on Thursday, with the discussion being focused on social media and the misinformation that gets circulated before factual information is released.

STAFF COMMENTS

There were no comments at this time.

MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. Los Angeles County Fire Department Reports – June and July

Assistant Fire Chief Brown provided the following reports:

June had 5 medical responses, five service calls four were for snake removal), and two good intent calls for a total of 12 responses; July was slightly higher with 22 response calls including, eight medical responses, six service calls (four were for snake removal), and eight good intent calls. Chief Brown stated that initial brush inspections have commenced and 135 residences have been given an order to do additional clearance and that the

Department will follow up with reinspections. He also stated that as it starts to cool down, residents should check rain gutters, roofs, cut trees back and do extra pruning to avoid hazards. Other steps can be taken to avoid hazardous situations is to inspect open vents, replace single pane windows with dual pane. Chief Brown stressed the importance of having a family emergency/evacuation plan in place and a good resource for such information is the Ready, Set, Go pamphlet available at www.fire.lacounty.gov.

B. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Reports – June and July

Deputy Mike Raney presented the following reports:

during the month of June there was two Part I crimes: A theft occurred in the 24300 block of John Fremont Road. The victim's jewelry was in a jewelry bag in the master bedroom when it was stolen; a theft was reported in the 24900 block of Jim Bridger Road. The victim had taken an Uber to her residence and left her cell phone in the Uber vehicle. The victim contacted the Uber driver to return it but the driver did not return it.; a resident of Los Angeles was arrested for a traffic violation warrant in the area of Round Meadow Road and Long Valley Road; a Los Angeles resident was arrested for traffic violations in the area of Long Valley Road and Saddle Creek Road. During the month of July there were no Part I crimes. A subject, resident of Reseda, was arrested for traffic violations in the area of Round Meadow and Jed Smith Road. A resident of Saugus drove her vehicle through a security gate bar and damaged it in the 23500 block of Long Valley Road. The subject exited her vehicle, walked around the area talking to herself and not responding to security officer's commands. The subject was transported to a medical facility. Three juveniles were cited for trespassing in the 5800 block of Round Meadow. The subjects approached the property and were stopped by in-house security.

C. City Engineer Report

City Engineer Lovett provided the following updates on ongoing projects:

1) the Long Valley Entrance Improvement Project-Measure R – Staff has received proposals for the landscape design, which will be considered by the City Council under a separate agenda item. 2) Overhead Powerlines Undergrounding – Southern California Edison (SCE) was directed to prepare plans for the undergrounding of 6 areas in the City. SCE completed a draft a design for area 1 (Long Valley between the HHCA office and Hilltop Road), which has been reviewed by the Ad-Hoc committee with staff. SCE is proceeding with the undergrounding design of area 2 (Jed Smith between Jacob Hamblin and Robert Guy Road. 3) Round Meadow School Traffic Mitigation – all construction has

been completed. 4) 5717 Round Meadow Road – construction has been observed at the site, with plan revisions being submitted to the City in July. 5) 6006 Spring Valley Road – building permits have been issued for foundation work on the main house and framing of the gum and guest quarters is ongoing. 6) HHCA Oak Tree Policy - In July, the HHCA adopted an Oak Tree Protection Standard which protect oak trees from damage and requires Architectural Committee approval for the removal of any oak tree with a diameter of 12" or greater and to be replaced at a ration of 4:1 (similar to the City's tree protection ordinance). 7) Mureau Road Bike Route - work in the immediate vicinity of Round Meadow 4 School has been substantially completed and the County has provided assurance that there will be no lane closures near the school during drop-off and pick up times. 8) City Perimeter Brush Clearance – a brush-clearing permit has been received from the State Park (Ahmanson). Staff continues to work with the Fire Department and Mountain View Estates regarding the costs and availability of utilizing their crews vs. goats. Staff will bring an agenda report to the City Council in September.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. **City Council Minutes – August 12, 2019**
- B. **Demand List**
- C. **Disbursement List – July**
- D. **Financial/Treasurer's Report – July**
- E. **Investment Report – July**

Upon MOTION of Council Member Siegel, seconded by Council Member McCorkindale and unanimously carried on roll call vote, it was resolved to approve items A, B, C, and D and E of the consent calendar as submitted. Mayor Weber recused himself from item A as he was not in attendance at the August 12, 2019 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Consideration of Approval of an Agreement with L. Newman Design Group, Inc. to Provide Landscaping Design Services for the Long Valley Road/Valley Circle Boulevard/US-101 On-Ramp Improvements Project**

City Engineer Lovett presented the following report:

the City has received two proposals to do provide landscaping design for the Long Valley Road/Valley Circle Boulevard/US-101 On-Ramp Improvement Project, based on the concept

Upon MOTION of Council Member Freedland, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Katz and unanimously carried on roll call vote, it was resolved to approve the modification of the two existing V-Calm signs to include direct wiring and radio antenna/modem upgrades at a cost of \$66,908 plus an annual data service charge of \$2,388, to be paid from restricted funds (Measure R and M Local funds).

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of Purchase and Installation of New Radio Repeater and Portable Radios and Consideration of City Hall Security Enhancements

Emergency Services Coordinator Woodard presented the following report on two City Council goals:

the first goal, "Undertake a comprehensive review of the City's Emergency Preparedness Preparations" - several years ago, the City installed a radio repeater at the top of Bonneville Road that provided radio coverage throughout the City for radios utilized by City staff, City Council, CERT team members, City event volunteers, and by Hidden Hills Security; the repeater and radios experienced several failures related to loss of power and over use during the Woolsey Fire; while the City has a substantial amount of radios, there is not enough for each current CERT member to have at home in case of an emergency; several upgrades and options related to the repeater and radios have been researched by staff and the recommendation by staff is as follows: purchase from KR Nida Corporation, who installed the current repeater) a new DMR repeater, 25 handheld radios, new back-up batteries and retrofit that will allow for quick connect of the repeater to an alternative power source such as a portable generator or batteries.

Upon MOTION of Council Member Siegel, seconded by Council Member Freedland and unanimously carried on roll call vote, it was resolved to approve an attached agreement, to be signed by the Mayor and City Clerk, with KR Nida Corporation for the purchase and installation of a new repeater and radios at a cost not to exceed \$9,000.

the second goal, "Evaluate City Hall's current alarm system and consider various upgrades to City Hall security" - since the goal's initial adoption, electronic door locks have been installed at the three building entrances, staff participated in an active shooter training, and all locks to City Hall have been changed; following two incidents at City Hall and based on the continued vulnerability of City Hall, a consultant recommended a series of

additional upgrades; a proposal from Inner-I security, who is a Calabasas based company and provided the security system at the Community Association Building, was received and is presented to the City Council for approval.

Upon MOTION of Mayor Pro Tem Katz, seconded by Council Member Siegel and unanimously carried on roll call vote, it was resolved to approve an agreement, to be signed by the Mayor and City Clerk, with Inner-I Security for the proposed security enhancements at City Hall at a cost not to exceed \$15,000.

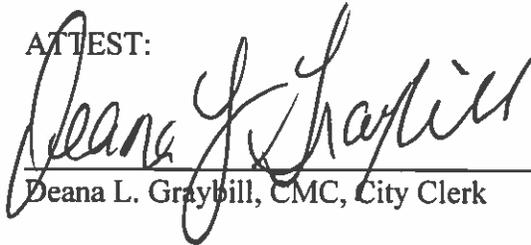
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.



Larry G. Weber, Mayor

ATTEST:



Deana L. Graybill, CMC, City Clerk