THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HOLTVILLE CITY COUNCIL MAY 14, 2007

The regular meeting of the Holtville City Council was held on Monday, May 14, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in the Civic Center. Council Members present were Mayor Colleen Ludwig, Bianca Padilla, and Richard Layton. Council Member Doug Byram was absent. Staff members present were Laura Fischer, Steve Walker, Pete Mellinger, Gerry Peacher, John Myers, Rosa Ramirez, David Lantzer, and Denise Toth.

CITY COUNCIL OPEN SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:
Mayor Ludwig called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
Mayor Ludwig led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITY CLERK RE: VERIFICATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA:
The City Clerk verified that the agenda was duly posted on May 10, 2007.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- EXISTING LITIGATIONS:
William Hogue vs. the City of Holtville
No reportable action was taken on this item.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:
Bill Thornburg, a Holtville resident spoke in support of this year's Grand Prix Race and stated that along with Paul Kirby who was interested in promoting the race, will be ready to work with the City and local businesses to make the race happen. Mr. Kirby stated that racers ask him all the time when there will be another race in Holtville. He also states that the race is doable.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of Minutes of the regular meeting of April 23, 2007, the Joint School Board Meeting of April 30, 2007, and the Special Meeting of May 7, 2007.
2. Current Demands #21662 to #21766

A motion was made by Council Member Layton and seconded by Council Member Padilla to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 & 2. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND COMMUNIQUES:

Proclamations –

a. National Public Works Week
b. Juror Appreciation Week
c. Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month
d. Milton Meek, 100th Birthday

Planning Report –Justina Arce, City Planner
A verbal update on the report was given by Justina Arce.

Pete Mellinger, City Treasurer, stated that there was an IVAG Transportation Committee Meeting regarding SR7 and that the SR115 project is moving forward.

The City Manager reviewed the written report prepared for Council and verbally updated the council on various items. She also thanked Administrative Assistant Sandra Mandujano for her work on the City's quarterly newsletter

Council Member Ludwig reported that she would be attending numerous meetings including an IVAG meeting on Wednesday, and that there would also be a meeting on Thursday and also the 24th. She addressed the public regarding related articles concerning long Council meetings and stated that they were necessary to bring things out in public meetings accurately so that clarification to some issues could be made.

Gerry Peacher, Public Works Manager reported on the ongoing renovations at the Quonset Hut. Included in the renovations are a ramp for the physically challenged, new

paint, fencing, and rails. Currently they were waiting on a new door and window, as well as materials to create a snack bar at the Quonset Hut. He updated Council on the Historic Lights project which will be brought back to Council for review consisting of electrical estimates and actual costs for ordering the lights.

Rosa Ramirez, Finance Manager, reported that the Financial Report should be ready by the next meeting and would be brought back for approval. She also attended training on infrastructure funding. Ms. Ramirez noted that she would be working with the financial consultant to consider their options. Finally, she reported on the USDA Grant.

Fire Chief, David Lantzer reported that Brawley would be hosting a countywide disaster drill. He also announced that there would be a management team EOC training at the County Fire Department. He stated that he had also attended training last week to complete his NIMS training.

Chief John Myers reported that he had officers attend Alzheimer's training as well as CPR Training and Child Abuse Training. He also reported that his staff assistant attended a Record's Clerk Course. A neighborhood watch meeting was held in the Civic Center on April 30th, and also held at City Hall/Holt Park was a Bike Safety Rodeo on April 12th. Chief Myers announced that the City of Imperial would be hosting a training regarding an active shooter. He assured Council that there were still graffiti problems but they were being handled and the work is ongoing.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES:
None

CONTACTS BY DEVELOPERS/BUSINESS LOANS:

City Manager Report –
A verbal review of the written report was given.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Discussion/Related Action regarding Action regarding Vacant Council Seat – Laura Fischer, City Manager
A motion was made by Council Member Padilla and seconded by Council Member Layton to appoint Pete Mellinger to the vacant Council seat for the remaining term. All members present were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Related Action to waive the second reading and introduce ORDINANCE #450 and to consider RESOLUTION #07-20 regarding the amendment to the Holtville Zoning Ordinance for the establishment of a new Community Facilities Zone associated with the update of the Land Use Plan – City Planner, Justina Arce
A motion was made by Council Member Layton and seconded by Council Member Padilla to waive the second reading and adopt ORDINANCE #450 and to adopt RESOLUTION #07-20 regarding the amendment to the Holtville Zoning Ordinance for the establishment of a new Community Facilities Zone associated with the update of the Land Use Plan. All members present were in favor and the motion carried 3-0 in the form of a roll call vote.

Discussion/Related Action to waive the second reading and introduce ORDINANCE #454 to consider RESOLUTION #07-21 regarding the proposed Zone Changes and Amendments to the Official Zoning Map of the City of Holtville, associated with the update of the Land Use Plan – City Planner, Justina Arce
A motion was made by Council Member Layton and seconded by Council Member Padilla to waive the second reading and adopt ORDINANCE #454 to adopt RESOLUTION #07-21 regarding the proposed Zone Changes and Amendments to the Official Zoning Map of the City of Holtville, associated with the update of the Land Use Plan. All members present were in favor and the motion carried 3-0 in the form of a roll call vote.

PUBLIC HEARING-Discussion/Related Action to waive the second reading and introduce ORDINANCE #456 and consider RESOLUTION #07-17 for the proposed zoning amendment to the R-1 Single Family Zones development standards reducing the minimum lot widths from 60' to 50' – City Planner, Justina Arce

A motion was made by Council Member Padilla and seconded by Council Member Layton to waive the second reading and introduce ORDINANCE #456 and consider RESOLUTION #07-17 for the proposed zoning amendment to the R-1 Single Family Zones development standards reducing the minimum lot widths from 60' to 50'. All members present were in favor and the motion carried 3-0 in the form of a roll call vote.

Discussion/Related Action regarding the approval of the MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING Between the City of Holtville and the Holtville Unified School District to Establish a Safe Community Partnership School Resource Officer Program – Laura Fischer, City Manager

A motion was made by Council Member Layton and seconded by Council Member Padilla to approval of the MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING Between the City of Holtville and the Holtville Unified School District to Establish a Safe Community Partnership School Resource Officer Program. All members present were in favor and the motion carried 3-0 in the form of a roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion/Related Action regarding dates for budget meeting – Finance Manager, Rosa Ramirez

Discussion Only; no action taken; dates were given of possible meetings.

Discussion/Related Action regarding the City of Holtville's Centennial Celebration – Laura Fischer, City Manager

Direction was given to create an ADHOC committee and develop a budget to be brought back to Council at the next meeting. No action taken.

Discussion/Related Action regarding the regular scheduled meeting of May 28th being moved to Tuesday, May 29th, due to the Memorial Day Holiday – Laura Fischer, City Manager

A motion was made by Council Member Padilla and seconded by Council Member Layton to move the regularly scheduled meeting of May 28th to Tuesday, May 29th, in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday. All members present were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Related Action approving the request for proposals to repair and or replace fencing at the Public Works Yard, Samaha Field and the swimming pool area and to make electrical upgrades and improvements at City Hall – Public Works Manager, Gerry Peacher

A motion was made by Council Member Layton and seconded by Council Member Padilla to approve the request for proposals to repair and/or replace fencing at the Public Works Yard, Samaha Field and the swimming pool area and to make electrical upgrades and improvements at City Hall. All members present were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Related Action regarding the adoption of RESOLUTIONS NUMBER 07-27, 07-28, and 07-28 authorizing applications for funding Streets/Roads, Bus Shelters, and Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects and authorize the City Manager to sign on behalf of the City – Rosa Ramirez, Finance Manager

Three separate motions were made by Council Member Layton and each seconded by Council Member Padilla to adopt each of the RESOLUTIONS, NUMBERS 07-27, 07-28, and 07-28 authorizing applications for funding Streets/Roads, Bus Shelters, and Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects and authorize the City Manager to sign on behalf of the City. All members present were in favor and the motions carried 3-0 in the form of a roll call vote.

Discussion/Related Action approve purchase of a Vactor Trailer – Gerry Peacher, Public Works Manager

A motion was made by Council Member Padilla and seconded by Council Member Layton to approve the purchase of the vactor trainer as described and presented. All members present were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATION ONLY:

Information Only regarding Clean Up Day update – Gerry Peacher, Public Works Manager
Information only; update report only; no action taken.

Information Only regarding Barbara Worth Country Club Residents Cross Connections – Gerry Peacher, Public Works Manager
This item was moved up to item #12 and discussed under new business.
Barbara Worth Country Club resident Mark Weil is the Homeowner's Association President for the east portion of the country club. He stated that he would get contact information to the City as soon as possible so that other residents would be informed and updated about the situation.

Bruce Anderholt, a resident of the Barbara Worth Country Club questioned Council regarding the required backflow devices and asked if they are installed will they still be able to have access to County water.

Ralph Straham, a resident of the Barbara Worth Country Club, stated that he had installed a backflow device and also stated that residents in that area already pay double the water rates compared to City residents.

Everett Taylor, a resident of the Barbara Worth Country Club, posed the question/statement that the City should be coordinating the effort to get a contractor to install the back flow devices and that they should hold a meeting right away to expedite the matter.

Suzanne Esparza, co-owner of the Barbara Worth Country Club and Resort asked Council and staff if their facility currently has a backflow device installed if they fall under the boil order notice requirements.

Bill Adams stated that something should be done right away and that he is losing money, but he is also concerned with residents in the area and what they are having to deal with.

Information only; no action taken.

Discussion/Related Action regarding the relocation of Violent Sexual Predator – John Myers, Police Chief
Information only; no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT:
There being no further business to come before council, Mayor Ludwig adjourned the meeting at 8:28 pm.

Colleen Ludwig, Mayor

Denise Toth, City Clerk

THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HOLTVILLE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
MAY 14, 2007

The regular meeting of the Holtville Redevelopment Agency was on Monday, May 14, 2007 in the Civic Center. Board Members present were Richard Layton, Bianca Padilla, and Colleen Ludwig. Board Member Doug Byram was absent. Staff members present were Gerry Peacher, John Myers, David Lantzer, Rosa Ramirez, Laura Fischer, Steve Walker, Pete Mellinger, Justina Arce and Denise Toth.

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CALLED TO ORDER:
Chairman Colleen Ludwig called the Redevelopment meeting to order at 8:29 pm

PUBLIC COMMENTS:
None

CONSENT AGENDA:
1. **Approval of Minutes of the regular meeting of April 23, 2007.**
2. **Ratify Current Demands #1329 to #1340**

Board Member Layton made a motion seconded by Board Member Padilla to approve consent agenda Items #1 and #2. All board Board Members present were in favor; motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, & COMMUNIQUES:
None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
None

NEW BUSINESS:
EMERGENCY ITEM ADDED –
A motion was made by Council Member Padilla and seconded by Council Member Layton to add an emergency item to the RDA agenda. All members present were in favor, the motion carried unanimously, and the item was added.

Discussion/Related Action approving the placement of backflow devices to the 8" line leading to the B.W.C.C. costing an approximate amount of $8,000.
Gerry Peacher, Public Works Manager
A motion was by Council Member Layton, seconded by Council Member Padilla, to authorize the placement of backflow devices to the 8" line leading to the B.W.C.C. costing an approximate amount of $8,000. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:
There being no further business to come before the Redevelopment Agency Chairman Ludwig adjourned the meeting at 8:46 pm.

Colleen Ludwig, Chairman

Denise Toth, Secretary