

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND
MCFARLAND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
MCFARLAND PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY
MCFARLAND IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY
MCFARLAND PARKING AUTHORITY**

REGULAR MEETING– 6:00 P.M.

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LOCATION OF MEETING: **McFarland Veterans Community Center
103 W. Sherwood Ave
McFarland, CA 93250**

DATE/TIME: **April 27, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.**

ROLL CALL: Mayor / Chairman Manuel Cantu Jr.
Mayor Pro Tem / Chairman Stephen McFarland
Council Member / Boardmember Russell Coker
Council Member / Boardmember Vidal Santillano
Council Member / Boardmember Rafael Melendez

REGULAR MEETING: – 6:00 P.M.

INVOCATION:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

Delano Mosquito Abatement District representative will conduct a presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Council/Board members on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Council/Board members. Council/Board members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification; make a referral to staff for factual information or request staff to report back to the Council/ Board members at a later meeting.

SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD PRIOR TO MAKING A PRESENTATION. FIFTEEN MINUTES TOTAL TIME WILL BE ALLOWED FOR ANY ONE SUBJECT.

CONSENT AGENDA/OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

All items listed as consent items are considered to be routine and noncontroversial by City staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the City Council or public wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the City Council or public to address the concerns of the item before action are taken.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. **Approval Of Warrants** – List of warrants in the amount of \$327,865.41 from April 8, 2017 through April 21, 2017.
2. **Approval of Minutes of Regular And / Or Special Council Meeting** – held on April 13, 2017.
3. **Legal Services** –Tom Schroeter has been the City Attorney since April, 2003. His billing rate has been \$150.00 per hour since July, 2013. His is asking for an increase to \$165.00 per hour. This is a 10% increase which equates to 2.5% per year since July, 2013. The increase is requested in order to meet increased costs and providing legal services.

Attachment(s): Leal Services Agreement Amendment

Recommendation(s): Staff recommends City Council approved the Legal Services Amendment.

4. **City Hall Project** - Previously you approved an engagement letter with William Blair & Company to act as the underwriter for the sale of bonds to obtain financing for remodel and expansion of City Hall. The person in that firm who was handling the City's project has now moved to another firm, B.C. Ziegler and Company. He left Blair for a better employment opportunity with Ziegler. He did not have a noncompetition agreement with Blair. He has asked if we would hire his new firm. The existing engagement letter with William Blair & Company is nonbinding and terminable at any time by the City without penalty or liability. Because the individual making the request has been working on this project for a considerable period of time and is fully familiar with it, the City would prefer to

keep him on the project and is recommending termination of the William Blair letter and approval of the engagement letter with B.C. Ziegler.

Attachment(s): Engagement Letter from B.C. Ziegler and Company.

Recommendation(s): Terminate engagement letter with William Blair & Company and execute engagement letter with B.C. Ziegler and Company.

5. **Kern County Auto Theft Task Force Memorandum of Understanding-** In 2007, the California Highway Patrol (CHP) established an Auto Theft Task Force (KernCATT - Kern County Auto Theft Taskforce) to combat the high occurrence rate of auto thefts in the Kern County Area.

This agreement allows McFarland Police Department the opportunity to put officer(s) in the task force if we choose to do so. This agreement also allows us to work cooperatively to enforce the law and combat other crimes related to auto theft. We would benefit from having the resource of the task force. We can request their assistance with auto theft and auto theft related crimes. We can terminate the agreement in writing at any time.

Attachment(s): Staff report, MOU with KernCATT

Recommendation(s): Staff recommends City Council review the terms and conditions of Memorandum of Understanding and authorize Mayor Cantu to sign said cooperative agreement.

6. **Report, and introduction of an Ordinance amending Title 17 Zoning** of the McFarland Municipal Code by amending Section 17.134 Development Standards and Section 17.148 Variances and Modifications and adding Section 17.160 Permit Procedures and Section 17.162 Amendments to this Ordinance.

Attachment(s): Staff Report, Proposed Ordinance 066-2017

Recommended Action(s): Staff recommends the City Council introduce this item, waive the first reading and set a public hearing date of May 25, 2017 to approve the proposed amendments to Title 17 Zoning of the City of McFarland Municipal Code.

7. **Report, introduction of an Ordinance amending Title 1 General Provisions,** Chapter 1.14, Section 1.14.040 Notice of Violation and Title 8 Property Maintenance, Section 8.20.080 Notice to Abate Authority (Municipal Code Text Amendment 2017-02).

Attachment(s): Staff Report, Proposed Ordinance 067-2017

Recommended Action(s): Staff recommends the City Council introduce this item, waive the first reading and set a public hearing date of May 25, 2017.

8. **Report, introduction of an Ordinance amending title 17 Zoning of the McFarland Municipal Code by amending Section 17.136 General Provisions**
The proposed ordinance will be to Section 17.136.180 Fences, Walls and Hedges.

Attachment(s): Staff Report, Proposed Ordinance 068-2017

Recommended Action(s): Staff recommends the City Council introduce this item, waive the first reading and set a public hearing date of May 25, 2017, to approve the proposed amendments to title 17 Zoning of the City's Municipal Code.

END OF CONSENT CALENDER

PUBLIC HEARING

None

9. Monthly staff report to the City Council

- a. Administration
- b. Police Department
- c. Finance Department

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

10. **Discussion and Requested per Councilmember Coker: Regarding ideas for the City's fire services.**

Attachment(s): None

Recommendation(s): Discussion and possible city council action taken.

Correspondence

None

Oral Reports from City Council on Committee / Special District Meetings

Delano Mosquito Abatement District (DMAD) – Councilmember Coker

Kern Council of Governments (KCOG) – Mayor Cantu or Alternate Member
Mayor Pro-Tem McFarland

McFarland Tri-Agency Partners (MTAP): Mayor Cantu or Alternate Member
Councilmember Santillano

Kern Economics Development Corp. (KEDC) – Mr. John Wooner, City Manager

Kern County Association of Cities (KCAC)

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS STATEMENTS:

On their own initiative, Council members may make a brief announcement or a brief report on their own activities. In addition, Council members may ask a question of staff or the public for clarification on any matter, provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information. Or request staff to report back to the City Council at a later meeting concerning any matter. Furthermore, the City Council, or any member thereof, may take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

CLOSED SESSION:

1. Approval of the April 13, 2017 closed session minutes.

ADJOURNMENT