



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND RESOURCES COMMISSION

ACTION MINUTES

October 17, 2018

CALL TO ORDER:

The Community Development and Resources Commission of Atwater met in Regular Session this date at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers located at the Atwater Civic Center, 750 Bellevue Road, Atwater, California; Acting Chairperson Murphy III presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Acting Chairperson Murphy III.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Commissioners Dash, Daugherty, Warchol, Acting Chairperson Murphy III

Absent: McWatters

Staff Present: City Manager Waterman, Interim Public Works Director Shaw (6:39 PM), General Services Manager/Chief Building Official Pereida, VVH Senior Planner Thompson, Police Sergeant Snyder, Executive to the City Manager Martin, Recording Secretary Rasmussen

SUBSEQUENT NEED ITEMS: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED OR AMENDED:

MOTION: Commissioner Dash moved to approve the agenda as posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Daugherty and the vote was: Ayes: Warchol, Dash, Daugherty, Murphy III; Noes: None; Absent: McWatters. The motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Notice to the public was read.

One person expressed gratitude and thanks to the Commission for their hard work and dedication to serving the City.

One person expressed concern about parking in front of his home and the ongoing problem of having his driveway blocked. He asked if the curb could be painted red to cure the problem. Staff was directed to meet with him following the meeting to address the issue.

No one else came forward to speak at this time.

REORGANIZATION:

Chair

Vice Chair

Recommend that the Community Development and Resources Commission reorganize, by nomination and motion the positions of Chair and Vice Chair for the remainder of the Calendar year of 2018.

MOTION: Commissioner Dash moved to nominate Commissioner Murphy III as Chairperson. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Daugherty and the vote was: Ayes: Daugherty, Warchol, Dash, Murphy III; Noes: None; Absent: McWatters. The motion passed.

MOTION: Chairperson Murphy III moved to nominate Commissioner Daugherty as Vice Chairperson. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dash and the vote was: Ayes: Warchol, Dash, Daugherty, Murphy III; Noes: None; Absent: McWatters. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

September 19, 2018 - Regular meeting

MOTION: Commissioner Dash moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 19, 2018. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Murphy III and the vote was: Ayes: Daugherty, Warchol, Dash, Murphy III; Noes: None; Absent: McWatters. The motion passed.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Request from Valley Christian Chapel for assistance with street closure for their annual Harvest Festival (Glenn Summerton/Alfred Perez)

No one was present from Valley Christian Chapel regarding the request.

MOTION: Chairperson Murphy III moved to deny the request from Valley Christian Chapel for assistance with their annual Harvest Festival on Wednesday, October 31, 2018, to block off Third Street between Broadway Avenue and Cedar Avenue from 5:30 – 9:00 PM for lack of attendance by the requestor. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Warchol and the vote was: Ayes: Daugherty, Warchol, Dash, Murphy III; Noes: None; Absent: McWatters. The motion passed.

Request from Saint Anthony/Immaculate Conception Church for assistance with street closure for their annual procession (Baudelio Valencia)

TERESA BERERA representing Saint Anthony/Immaculate Conception Church provided an overview of the request and clarified that the date of the event is December 12, 2018 and not December 2, 2018.

MOTION: Commissioner Dash moved to recommend that the City Council approve the request from Saint Anthony/Immaculate Conception Church for assistance with their annual procession on Sunday, December 12, 2018 starting at 3:00 PM beginning at Ralston Park, to Juniper Avenue, and on to Saint Anthony Church; to assist with road closure on Third Street between Fir and Juniper Avenues and Juniper Avenue between Third Street and Winton Way from 3:00 – 5:00 PM. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Warchol and the vote was: Ayes: Dash, Daugherty, Warchol, Murphy III; Noes: None; Absent: McWatters. The motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Adopting CDRC Resolution No. 072-18 making the finding that the project is categorically exempt under CEQA and recommends City Council adoption of Ordinance No. CS 1000, approving Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment 18-1, amending Chapter 17.40.20 and Chapter 17.42.020 regarding Emergency Shelters

Chairperson Murphy III opened the Public Hearing. No one came forward to speak.

Chairperson Murphy III closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION: Commissioner Daugherty moved to adopt CDRC Resolution No. 072-18 making the finding that the project is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines section 15061(b)(3) "Common Sense," and recommending that the City Council adopt Ordinance No. CS 1000 approving Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment 18-1, amending Chapter 17.40.20 and Chapter 17.42.020 of the Atwater Municipal Code regarding Emergency Shelters. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Warchol and the vote was: Ayes: Warchol, Daugherty, Dash, Murphy III; Noes: None; Absent: McWatters. The motion passed.

Adopting CDRC Resolution No. 073-18 making the finding that the project is categorically exempt under CEQA and recommends City Council adoption of Ordinance No. CS999 approving Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment 18-2, amending Chapter 17.40.030 regarding Conditional Uses as it relates to Commercial Cannabis Businesses

Chairperson Murphy III opened the Public Hearing. No one came forward to speak.

Chairperson Murphy III closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION: Commissioner Daugherty moved to adopt CDRC Resolution No. 073-18 making the finding that the project is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines section 15061(b)(3) "Common Sense," and recommending that the City Council adopt Ordinance No. CS 999 approving Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment 18-2, amending Chapter 17.40.030 of the Atwater Municipal Code regarding Conditional Uses as it relates to Commercial Cannabis Businesses. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Murphy III and the vote was: Ayes: Daugherty, Warchol, Dash, Murphy III; Noes: None; Absent: McWatters. The motion passed.

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS FROM STAFF:

Verbal update regarding traffic calming measures within the City of Atwater

VVH Senior Planner Thompson reported that staff has been accumulating policies related to traffic calming from other Valley cities and that they are in the process of reviewing the data to compile a report to present to the Commission. He added that both the Police Department and Fire Services will be a part of compiling the report and recommendations to the Commission.

General Services Manager/Chief Building Inspector Mark Pereida advised that CAL Trans is currently studying the off ramps affecting the City of Atwater and their efforts to fix problems may be of help in traffic calming also.

COMMISSION MATTERS:

Commission Comments

Commissioner Dash questioned whether vendors at the Atwater Flea Market are paying for business licenses. Executive to the City Manager Martin explained that the owner of the Flea Market pays an annual cap amount of \$4,000 in business license to cover all vendors. She also advised that all vendors pay sales tax. Commissioner Dash also asked about two City-owned properties on Bell Drive. City Manager Waterman responded that both properties are currently in escrow.

Commissioner Daugherty requested an update on traffic signal projects city-wide. City Manager Waterman reported that the project is going before City Council at the October 22, 2018 meeting and that a bid opening is set for October 24, 2018. He also commented that the Olive Avenue and Winton Way area should be a no parking zone. He stated that he attended the Measure V meeting in September and that the fund balance is looking very good.

Commissioner Warchol commented that traffic calming devices like the speed trailer should be used more frequently and rotated throughout the City. He asked Police Sergeant Snyder how many days the speed trailer was deployed in September. Sergeant Snyder replied that it was deployed approximately sixteen (16) days.

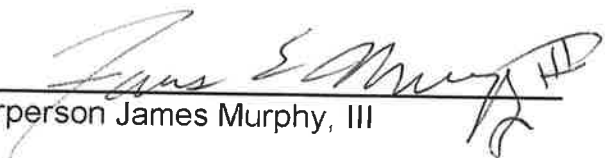
Chairperson Murphy III commented that speed indicators on Shaffer Road and other areas are not calibrated correctly and requested that Interim Public Works

Director Shaw have them checked. He also thanked the Public Works Department for their prompt and effective work on tree removal throughout the City. He asked for an update on the Winton Way sewer line and Measure V funds to fix street issues associated with that project. Interim Public Works Director Shaw responded that the project is set to begin around mid spring of 2019. Chairperson Murphy III expressed displeasure with the business license services of Muni Services and their on-line service. Executive to the City Manager Martin responded that staff will explore and share with Muni Services the issues being experienced. He also asked if local hairdressers who are renting space from an owner are purchasing business licenses as required. General Services Manager/Chief Building Inspector Pereida responded that an inspection of those facilities is ongoing and if business licenses are not present citations are issued. He reported that there are repeated violations of the handicapped parking at Circle K and that more attention needs to be applied by the Police Department. Police Sergeant Snyder asked that when violations are noticed to please call the Police Department so that immediate action can be taken. Finally, he asked if any action is being taken to address the post that is repeatedly being hit at Shaffer Road and Atwater Blvd. Interim Public Works Director Shaw responded that he is working with railroad representatives seeking federal monies to correct the situation.

City Manager Waterman reported that due to holidays in November, the CDRC meeting will be held on November 20, 2018. She also noted that there is only one City Council meeting in November on November 13, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM.


Chairperson James Murphy, III

By: Lesa Rasmussen,
Recording Secretary