

Upon notice duly given under Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431, et seq., as amended, the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, January 2, 2019, in the City Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Boulevard, Bullhead City, Arizona.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Brady called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and invited Pastor Bruce Rahlf of the River Chapel Assembly of God to deliver the invocation. Council Member Clark led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Council Present

Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann

Council Absent

None

Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Toby Cotter

CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery

CITY CLERK: Susan Stein

POLICE CHIEF: Brian Williamson

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Rudy Vera

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Angie Johnson

HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR: Jeff Tipton

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR: Absent

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None

OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Brady opened the call to the public. Having no one present wishing to speak, Mayor Brady closed the call to the public.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

None

WAIVER MOTION

MOTION: Vice Mayor Ring made a motion to waive the reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for adoption at this meeting. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Fiesta Bowl Charities/Legacy Foundation New Football Field Turf Project

City Manager Cotter displayed a video of the football field with the new turf. He said a great deal of energy was spent over the last few days to lay the Bermuda sod. He said Council Members Clark, D'Amico, Wegmann, and he had the privilege of attending the Cheez-It Bowl Game at Chase Stadium when the sod was torn up after the game and brought to Bullhead City. He said three to four feet of old earth had to be dug out and replaced with new fill before the new turf could be laid. He said a grand opening for the new Firebird Fiesta Field would be held in March. He gave special thanks to the Legacy Foundation and Fiesta Bowl Charities for this wonderful gift to the city.

2. Veterans' Cove Maintenance Project

City Manager Cotter presented a certificate of appreciation to Rusty Braun for volunteering his time to operate a city-rented backhoe and dredge the Veterans' Cove Marina. He said boats could now come in off the river and get to the dock by the American Legion and Covue Restaurant. Rusty Braun said he put in about 80 hours of work on the project.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS

None

ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Clark made a motion that Item No. 1 on the Consent Agenda be approved in accordance with the reports, certifications and recommendations furnished each Council Member and without further discussion. Council Member Wegmann seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

Items on the Consent Agenda were approved as follows:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on December 12, 2018; and the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on December 18, 2018. (City Clerk Stein)

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

None

ACTION ITEMS

Building, Planning and Zoning Items

None

Bid Awards, Contracts, Intergovernmental Agreement, and Purchases

2. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase contract with Western Emulsions, Inc. for the purchase and delivery of LMCQS-1H emulsion for city street maintenance programs 18-19 and 19-20 in an amount not to exceed \$677,106.75; and to authorize the City Manager to execute all appropriate documents and approve resultant payments. (Interim Public Works Director Johnson)

Interim Public Works Director Johnson said the city received two responsive bids. She said staff was recommending the contract be awarded to Western Emulsions, Inc.

City Manager Cotter said emulsion was the product that was applied by the city's slurry machine to maintain the streets. He said due to the constant fluctuation of gas and oil prices, the contract price would be locked in for the next year.

Dennis Stubblefield, Engineering Inspector, said the street maintenance work schedule was on target to complete 20 percent of the city's roads that were included in this year's program. He said 20 percent of the city's streets were maintained each year through the street maintenance program, and said the goal was to perform required maintenance on each city street within a five-year cycle.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak. No one from the public spoke.

MOTION: Council Member Wegmann made a motion to approve the purchase contract with Western Emulsions, Inc. for the purchase and delivery of LMCQS-1H emulsion for city street maintenance programs 18-19 and 19-20 in an amount not to exceed \$677,106.75; and to authorize the City Manager to execute all appropriate documents and approve resultant payments. Council Member Shutts seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

3. Discussion and possible action to ratify the submittal of the Homeland Security Grant Program grant application in the amount of \$40,000.00 to the Arizona Department of Homeland Security made on December 4, 2018 for the purchase of a ScanX Scout x-ray system for the bomb team; and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all documents pertaining to the grant application and award on behalf of the city. (Police Chief Williamson)

Police Chief Williamson said the system was required for the bomb team to maintain their FBI certifications. He said the current system was twelve years old, which was working; but said it was time to upgrade the outdated system. He said the reason there was more money in the grant request than the actual cost of the system was because the grant did not get awarded until October. He said in the past, prices had climbed after the grant amount was approved; and therefore, not enough funds had been included in the budget. He said they would be reimbursed for the exact amount paid for the system.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak. No one from the public spoke.

MOTION: Council Member Shutts made a motion to ratify the submittal of the Homeland Security Grant Program grant application in the amount of \$40,000.00 to the Arizona Department of Homeland Security made on December 4, 2018 for the purchase of a ScanX Scout x-ray system for the bomb team; and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all documents pertaining to the grant application and award on behalf of the city. Council Member D'Amico seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

4. Discussion and possible action to ratify the submittal of the Homeland Security Grant Program grant application in the amount of \$54,000.00 to the Arizona Department of Homeland Security made on December 5, 2018, for the purchase of Long Range Acoustical Devices for use in emergency notifications to the public in targeted and/or concentrated areas; and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all documents pertaining to the grant application and award on behalf of the city. (Police Chief Williamson)

Police Chief Williamson said the grant was for the purchase of two long range acoustical devices (LRADs). He said one was a portable unit that could be mounted on a vehicle and the second device could be deployed in different ways such as on a boat or in a park. He said they have had drills and exercises that have shown the ability to make local outdoor mass notifications to be pretty limited. He said their bullhorns and car speakers only worked over short distances, and said the LRADs could provide clear communication over longer distances that could be heard inside buildings and inside vehicles. He said their tactics were to give people a chance to come out and comply, rather than just barging into a building. He said with the use of new system, there would be no question as to whether people could hear the instructions. He said the large device would come in handy to provide an important safety message or order a mass evacuation. He said they worked with the Bureau of Reclamation in a "dam drill" each year. He said some mass notifications would be necessary to get people to evacuate in a dam break situation. He said he was confident that messages could be clearly heard and evacuation times shortened with the use of an LRAD. He said there was some controversy regarding LRAD devices; not about the devices themselves, but about how people chose to use them. He said the LRAD devices the city would be purchasing would not have the disruptor tone, and said the device would not be used as a weapon. He said they would provide safety training and only allow specific people to use the devices, as well as initiate a policy on how to use the equipment.

Mayor Brady asked about any ongoing costs to the city.

Police Chief Williamson said in-house training and a step by step usage guide would be provided. He said there should be no additional insurance expense.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Harvey Pryor said he was a Bullhead City resident. He said the LRADs were a non-lethal weapon, and had been used as a weapon system that could cause damage. He said the city did not need this type of system because it was used to control crowds in larger cities, and bullhorns could be heard clearly.

Police Chief Williamson said there were many different sizes of LRAD systems. He said the city was not requesting the disruption tone that was used for crowd control. He said the equipment would allow the city to get messages out to the public more effectively.

Vice Mayor Ring said she was in support of the grant request.

Mayor Brady said he discussed this item with Mr. Pryor earlier this afternoon and then discussed the concerns with Chief Williamson. He said Chief Williamson told him the system would be used for the purposes previously discussed, not as a weapon, and would not become an additional expense to the city.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Ring made a motion to ratify the submittal of the Homeland Security Grant Program grant application in the amount of \$54,000.00 to the Arizona Department of Homeland Security made on December 5, 2018, for the purchase of Long Range Acoustical Devices for use in emergency notifications to the public in targeted and/or concentrated areas; and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all documents pertaining to the grant application and award on behalf of the city. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business

None

COUNCIL REQUESTED ITEMS

None

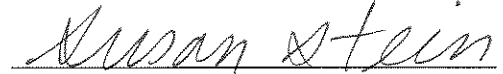
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:01p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct record of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held on the 2nd day of January 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 5th day of February 2019.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Stein". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Susan Stein, MMC, CPM
City Clerk