

CITY OF BISHOP  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
June 14, 2010

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Griffiths called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION The invocation was given by Pastor Clyde Harvey of the Neighborhood Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Smith.

COUNCIL PRESENT Councilmembers Laura Smith, Susan Cullen, David Stottlemire  
Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Dishion  
Mayor Jeff Griffiths

COUNCIL ABSENT None

OTHERS PRESENT Richard Pucci, City Administrator  
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk  
Peter Tracy, City Attorney  
Keith Caldwell, Assistant City Administrator/  
Community Services Director  
Ray Seguine, Fire Chief  
Kathleen Sheehan, Police Chief  
David Grah, Public Works Director/City Engineer

PUBLIC COMMENT The Mayor announced the public comment period. Daniel Brady, Regional Manager, Local Public Affairs, Southern California Edison provided the Council with copies of the 2010 State of the Utility.

PROCLAMATION

BREASTFEEDING AWARENESS MONTH (1) At the request of the Toiyabe Indian Health Project WIC Program Director and to recognize the benefits breastfeeding provides to infants, the Mayor presented a proclamation declaring August as Breastfeeding Awareness Month in the City. Irene Mason gave a report of events planned for that month.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS (2) Reports from Community Services, Fire, Police, Public Works and Administration were given on the departments' activities including upcoming and ongoing projects.

CONSENT CALENDAR (3) A motion was made by Councilmember Cullen and passed unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar as presented:

Motion/Cullen FOR APPROVAL AND FILING  
(a) Council Meeting Minutes – 5/24/10  
(b) Personnel Status Change Report  
(c) Warrant Register – 5/10  
(d) Fund Transactions – 5/10

FOR INFORMATION AND FILING

- (e) Water and Sewer Commission Agenda – 6/3/10
- (f) Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes – 3/24/10
- (g) Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes – 4/28/10
- (h) Planning Commission Minutes – 4/27/10
- (i) Fire Department Activity Log – 5/10
- (j) Public Works Permits Report – 5/10

PUBLIC HEARING

ENVIRONMENTAL  
 REVIEW – Mitigated  
 Negative Declaration  
 Silver Peaks Project –  
 Southwest Corner of  
 MacIver and Spruce  
 (4)

Mayor Griffiths opened a public hearing to receive and consider public comment on the project proposal, Silver Peaks, which will include the phased development of a 74-unit attached residential complex for seniors and persons with disabilities on approximately 3.4 acres of land located at the southwest corner of MacIver and Spruce Streets.

City Administrator Pucci reported the City is working with the Inyo Mono Advocates for Community Action to acquire grant funding to purchase the property which is adjacent to the City’s Sunrise Mobile Home Park for the construction of the Silver Peaks Project. The environmental assessment is part of the process to move forward. It was indicated this project would assist the City in meeting the goals of the recently adopted housing element.

Beth Himelhoch, Executive Director for the Inyo Mono Association for the Handicapped (I.M.A.H.) and Michael Bowers of the Kern Regional Center in Bishop both spoke very highly of the project. Both organization representatives commented on the importance for their clients with disabilities to be able to stay in the community where they grew up. In the current situation with a lack of affordable housing it has become necessary for some to relocate to other areas.

Mike Bodine, a Bishop resident with an elderly father and grandfather, stated there is a need for senior housing in our area.

Motion/Dishion

No further comments on the environmental document were provided. Mayor Pro Tem Dishion made a motion to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

SILVER PEAKS PROJECT  
 PROPOSAL – Mitigated  
 Negative Declaration for the  
 Southwest Corner of  
 MacIver and Spruce Streets  
 (6)  
 Motion/Dishion

On a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Dishion, the Council voted 5-0 to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and authorize the filing of a Notice of Determination with a finding that with the proposed mitigations for Noise, Geologic Issues, Water, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Aesthetics and Cultural Resources, the proposed Silver Peaks Project involves no potential for adverse effect, either individually or cumulatively,

on wildlife, native plants, streams, water courses, scenic or historic resources and human beings.

## PUBLIC HEARING

COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK  
GRANT (C.D.B.G.)  
APPLICATION – Silver  
Peaks Project – Southwest  
Corner of MacIver and  
Spruce Streets  
(5)

The Mayor opened a public hearing to provide citizens an opportunity to comment on the Community Development Block Grant application by the City of Bishop for \$800,000 under the General Allocation for the construction of and/or acquisition of land for 74 multi-family residential units which would be occupied by income-restricted seniors and persons with disabilities.

The City Administrator reported the proposed Silver Peaks Project is a coordinated effort with the City of Bishop, I.M.A.C.A. and I.M.A.H. to obtain enough funding to purchase land and construct the project. The City is the only agency eligible for the CDBG block grant.

Larry Emerson from I.M.A.C.A. spoke in support of the block grant application supporting a project that will be great for the community and greatly needed for seniors and the disabled.

Motion/Stottlemyre

No further comment was provided on the CDBG grant application. Councilmember Stottlemyre made a motion to close the public hearing. Motion passed 5-0.

## NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 10-09  
Approving a 2010/2011  
C.D.B.G. Application for  
Funding  
(7)  
Motion/Cullen

On a motion by Councilmember Cullen, the Council voted 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 10-09 by title only, “A RESOLUTION APPROVING A 2010/2011 APPLICATION FOR FUNDING AND THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO FROM THE GENERAL ALLOCATION OF THE STATE CDBG PROGRAM”.

CLARK WING LEASES  
APPROVAL  
(8)  
Motion/Stottlemyre

The City Council took action as follows on three leases for office space in the City of Bishop Clark Wing.

Eastern Sierra Community Services District – A motion was made by Councilmember Stottlemyre to approve the extension of the Clark Wing lease for office space used by the Eastern Sierra Community Services District for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. The motion passed 5-0.

Motion/Cullen

County of Inyo – A motion was made by Councilmember Cullen to approve the extension of the Clark Wing lease for office space used by the County of Inyo for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. The motion passed 5-0.

Motion/Smith	<u>State Administrative Office of the Courts</u> – A motion was made by Councilmember Smith to approve the extension of the Clark Wing lease for space used by Inyo Superior Court from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. The motion passed 5-0.
AUDITOR SERVICES ANNUAL AUDITS FY 2009-10 APPROVAL (9) Motion/Stottlemyre	On a motion by Councilmember Stottlemyre, the Council voted 5-0 to waive the formal bid procedures due to the professional service nature of the contract and authorize the firm of Larry Bain, CPA to conduct the annual audits as listed in the contract for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 pursuant to the costs presented.
AUDITOR SERVICES Technical Assistance Contract – June 30, 2010 (10) Motion/Stottlemyre	On a motion by Councilmember Stottlemyre, the Council voted 5-0 to waive the formal bid procedures due to the professional service nature of the contract for technical assistance for preparing the fixed asset schedule, grants receivables and journal entries for year ending June 30, 2010 in an amount not to exceed \$6,500.00.
BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS/ TRANSFERS FY 2009-10 APPROVAL (11) Motion/Cullen	On a motion by Councilmember Cullen, the Council voted 5-0 to approve the budget adjustments and transfers for Fiscal Year through May 31, 2010 as presented.
PLANNING COMMISSION UPCOMING VACANCY Interview Committee Set (12)	Council directed staff to have the members from the last interview committee meet to discuss and make a recommendation to the Council for an appointment to the Bishop Planning Commission for the term expiring on July 10, 2010. In addition the Council requested a recommendation from the applications be made for an unanticipated vacancy that will be created at the end of the calendar year due to the election of Kammi Foote as Inyo County Clerk/Recorder. A recommendation for the appointments to the Planning Commission will be brought back to the Council for action.
RETREAT DATE SET (13)	The Council Retreat was set for Tuesday, July 6, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in the Executive Conference Room at City Hall.
SUNRISE MOBILE HOME PARK STATE BUDGET FY2010-2011 Adoption (14) Motion/Stottlemyre	On a motion by Councilmember Stottlemyre, the Council voted 5-0 to adopt the FY 2010-2011 State Budget for the Sunrise Mobile Home Park.
WILLOW PLAZA APTS. Long-Term Monitoring Agreement Approval (15) Motion/Cullen	Councilmember Cullen made a motion to approve the five-year extension to the long-term monitoring agreement with Mammoth Lakes Housing for the Willow Plaza workforce housing project in an annual amount of \$2,500.00. The contract will be effective from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2015. The motion passed 5-0.
COUNCIL REPORTS	

CLOSED SESSION

At 8:12 p.m. the Mayor recessed the Council meeting to convene in closed session to conclude the department head evaluations from the Study Session for the City Administrator, Fire Chief, Police Chief, Public Works Director/City Engineer and the Assistant City Administrator/ Community Services Director.

RECONVENE

At 10:15 p.m. the Council reconvened to open session with the following Council Members present: Smith, Cullen, Stottlemyre, Dishion, Griffiths. The Mayor announced that no action was taken during closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 10:16 p.m. to the next Council meeting scheduled for Monday, June 28, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

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JEFF GRIFFITHS, MAYOR

Attest: Richard F. Pucci, City Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk

***APPROVED BY COUNCIL JUNE 28, 2010***