

CITY OF BISHOP
CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES
OCTOBER 9, 2012

CALL TO ORDER	Mayor Stottlemyre called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 301 West Line Street, Bishop, California.
COUNCIL PRESENT	Council Members Jim Ellis, Jeff Griffiths, Laura Smith Mayor Pro Tem Susan Cullen Mayor David Stottlemyre
COUNCIL ABSENT	None
OTHERS PRESENT	Keith Caldwell, City Administrator/Community Services Director Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk Cheryl Solesbee, Assistant Finance Director Chris Carter, Police Chief David Grah, Public Works Director/City Engineer
PUBLIC COMMENT	<p>The Mayor announced the public comment period. Gayla Wolf of Bishop requested the Council have another open discussion on other options that would allow the current invocation guidelines to be set aside. Gail Frampton also of Bishop stated another option could be to withdraw the new invocation guidelines and respond if someone files an action against the City.</p> <p>Councilmember Smith requested this topic be agendaized again for public discussion.</p>
SCHEDULED DISCUSSION	Discussion was held on the following Study Session agenda items:
1. Miss Bishop Pageant	Kristina Roberts gave an overview of the courses offered to those who sign up to participate in the pageant which include poise, etiquette skills, health and fitness and public speaking.
2. 7:00 p.m. Agenda Items	Discussion was held on the best route through the park for travel to the dog park area.
3. Future Agenda Items	Upcoming agenda items were reviewed.
COUNCIL DISCUSSION	<p>Council Members gave committee reports, community announcements and/or made comments or inquiries to staff.</p> <p>Councilmember Griffiths reported on the Bright Source solar project proposed for Charleston View at the southern end of Inyo County. The project is estimated at \$1 billion. Griffiths</p>

stated that solar business is currently exempt from paying property taxes and Inyo County will be responsible for providing roads, law enforcement, health and human services, and fire protection with no financial benefit from the project. The County is trying to influence the California Energy Commission to make it contingent on the project to reimburse the County for their costs estimated at \$8 million. As there are no businesses in the Charleston View area, all shopping done by employees of the project will be done in Pahrump, Nevada. The City Administrator will get in touch with the County Administrator to discuss the topic and potentially send a letter to the C.E.C.

CLOSED SESSION

At 5:07 p.m. the Council recessed to closed session as agendized:

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR Keith Caldwell, City Administrator, pursuant to Government Code § 54957.6(a) – Bishop Police Officers Association.

RECONVENED TO OPEN SESSION

At 5:25 p.m. the meeting was convened to open session. The City Administrator reported that no action was taken in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:26 p.m. to the regular meeting scheduled at 7:00 p.m.

DAVID STOTTLEMYRE, MAYOR

ATTEST: Keith Caldwell, City Clerk

By: _____
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk

APPROVED BY COUNCIL OCTOBER 22, 2012