

CITY OF BISHOP
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
September 9, 2008

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Pro Tem Cullen called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

INVOCATION The invocation was given by Pastor Rick Klug of the Calvary Baptist Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Dishion.

COUNCIL PRESENT Griffiths, Crom, Dishion, Cullen

COUNCIL ABSENT Connolly - Excused

OTHERS PRESENT Richard Pucci, City Administrator
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk
Peter Tracy, City Attorney
Keith Caldwell, Community Services Director
Ray Seguire, Fire Chief
Kathleen Sheehan, Police Chief
David Grah, Public Works Director
Gary Schley, Public Services Officer
Bob Kimball, City Treasurer

PUBLIC COMMENT The Mayor announced the public comment period. No public comment was provided.

CONSENT CALENDAR (1) A motion was made by Councilmember Griffiths and passed unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar as presented:

Motion/Griffiths

FOR APPROVAL AND FILING

(a) Council Minutes – 8/25/08
(b) Personnel Status Change Report
(c) Warrant Register – 8/08

FOR INFORMATION AND FILING

(d) Parks and Recreation Commission Agenda – 8/27/08
(e) Notice of date change for Parks and Recreation Commission September meeting
(f) Water and Sewer Commission Agenda – 9/9/08
(g) Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes – 6/25/08
(h) Planning Commission Minutes – 7/29/08
(i) Public Works Report – 8/08
(j) Public Works Permit Report – 8/08

CORRESPONDENCE – Caltrans Letter Relating to Country Club Road and US 395 (2) In response to a letter sent by Mayor Connolly in April to Caltrans Director Kempton in Sacramento requesting a northbound left turn lane at the intersection of US 395 and Bishop Country Club Road, a letter and traffic safety analysis were received from Caltrans District 9 Director Tom Hallenbeck. The

results of the traffic study indicate five collisions in the vicinity of the Country Club entrance during the three-year study period with no fatalities or injuries. It was recommended the County consider raising the grade of Country Club Road as it approaches US 395 in order to improve sight distance for drivers leaving the golf course. Intersection warning signs will be posted by Caltrans.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE NO. 523 –
Adopting 2007 California
Building Standards Code,
Parts 1-10 and 12
(3)
Motion/Crom

Councilmember Crom made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 523 by title only with passage to print, “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BISHOP, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE 2007 CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS CODE, PARTS 1 THROUGH 10 AND 12, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE CONDITIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL PROPERTY, BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES BY PROVIDING THE STANDARDS FOR SUPPLIED UTILITIES AND FACILITIES AND OTHER PHYSICAL THINGS AND CONDITIONS ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE THAT STRUCTURES ARE SAFE, SANITARY AND FIT FOR OCCUPATION AND USE; AND THE CONDEMNATION OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES UNFIT FOR HUMAN OCCUPANCY AND USE AND THE DEMOLITION OF SUCH STRUCTURES IN THE CITY OF BISHOP; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFORE; AND REPEALING, RE-ENACTING AND RESTATING CHAPTER 15.04 AND REPEALING CHAPTERS 15.08 AND 15.12 OF TITLE 15 OF THE BISHOP MUNICIPAL CODE AND REPEALING ORDINANCE 501, 502 AND 517 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF THE ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH”.

The motion passed 4-0 with Connolly absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-13 –
Accepting Utility Easement
Grant Deeds from the
Hartshorn Trust
(4)
Motion/Crom

It was reported by staff that negotiations with Jim and Michele Hartshorn to obtain utility easement deeds at 592 and 596 North Third Street for Road Project A have been concluded.

Due to revisions made by the City Attorney, Resolution No. 08-13 was read in its entirety. Councilmember Crom made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 08-13 by title only, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BISHOP, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACCEPTING UTILITY EASEMENT GRANT DEEDS FROM THE HARTSHORN TRUST”. The motion passed 4-0 with Connolly absent.

PUBLIC HEARING

ENVIRONMENTAL
REVIEW – Initial Study for

Mayor Pro Tem Cullen declared a conflict of interest due to her ownership of property located within 500 feet of 287 East Line

Conditional Use Permit /
Tentative Parcel Map No.
388 – 287 East Line Street
(5)

Street, the property to be discussed. She left the Council Chambers for the duration of discussion and action on this agenda item.

Councilmember Crom presided over the public hearing on an environmental review of an initial study for a Conditional Use Permit and Tentative Parcel Map No. 388 to allow the applicant to subdivide a 0.30 acre parcel with an existing 4 unit apartment complex at 287 East Line Street (APN 01—14-10) into a 4-unit condominium complex. Zoning is R-2000P – Medium High Density Residential District and/or Professional and Administrative Offices. Roger Barker, proponent, reviewed the project for the Council.

Motion/Griffiths

Councilmember Griffiths made a motion to close the public hearing which passed 4-0 with Connolly absent.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF
NEGATIVE
DECLARATION –
Tentative Parcel Map No.
388 - 287 East Line Street
(6)
Motion/Griffiths

Councilmember Griffiths made a motion to adopt a Negative Declaration for a Conditional Use Permit and Tentative Parcel Map No. 388 with a finding that the 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. The motion passed 4-0 with Connolly absent.

Mayor Pro Tem Cullen returned to the dais.

COOPERATIVE
AGREEMENT WITH
CALTRANS – Wye Road
Intersection Improvements
Project
(7)

Caltrans District 9 Director Tom Hallenbeck stated the project to realign the intersection of Wye Road and Highway 6 will help mediate traffic now and in the future. With the agreement, Caltrans District 9 will contribute \$147,000 to be added to \$300,000 deposited by the developer of the Kmart/Vons shopping center for intersection improvements.

The Public Works Director indicated that rights-of-way will need to be obtained in order to build the project. The Department will be working with the consultants with construction anticipated next season.

Motion/Dishion

Councilmember Dishion made a motion to approve the execution of the agreement with Caltrans to contribute funds for the delivery of the Wye Road Intersection Improvements Project. Motion passed 4-0 with Connolly absent.

SURPLUS PROPERTY –
Fire, Police and Community
Services Departments
(8)
Motion/Crom

Councilmember Crom made a motion to declare the items as submitted by the Fire, Police and Community Services Department as surplus and authorized the City Administrator to dispose of the items in the best interest of the City. Motion passed 4-0 with Connolly absent.

CLARK WING LEASE
AMENDMENT – Inyo
County Courts
(9)
Motion/Cullen

The City Administrator reported that the approval of the lease amendment for the Inyo County Courts space in the Clark Wing will conclude the year-long negotiations with the Courts and Inyo County. This amendment transfers the lease from Inyo County to the State Administrative Office of the Courts. The motion passed 4-0 with Connolly absent.

COUNCIL REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor Pro Tem adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m. to the next Council meeting scheduled for Monday, September 22, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

SUSAN CULLEN, MAYOR PRO TEM

Attest: Richard F. Pucci, City Clerk

By: _____
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk

APPROVED BY COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2008