

Jackson City Council
Minutes
Regular Meeting of February 27, 2012

Patrick Crew, Mayor
Connie Gonsalves, Vice-Mayor
Wayne Garibaldi
Marilyn Lewis

Michael Daly, City Manager
Andrew Morris, City Attorney
Marc Crain, Fire Chief
Scott Morrison, Police Chief
Susan Peters, City Planner
Gisele Cangelosi, City Clerk

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:
Keith Sweet

Mayor Crew called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. CEREMONIAL.

- a. Presentation from American Legion Post 108 to Jackson Police Department. Al Lennox, American Legion Ambulance Service presented Police Chief Morrison with a plaque of appreciation for his generous support and assistance to the Veterans American Legion Post 108.
- b. Presentation from City of Jackson to American Legion Post 108 in appreciation for donation of Automated External Defibrillators. Mayor Crew presented Al Lennox, American Legion Ambulance Service a certificate of appreciation for their generous donation of the two Automated External Defibrillators.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

City Manager Daly stated Agenda Item 7. Public Hearing – Appeal of Planning Commission Approval for Demolition of Portion of Structure at 215 Court Street will be continued to a future meeting pending research of additional information provided after the agenda packet were prepared. Staff notified the applicant and appellant of this continuance.

**Moved by Councilmember Garibaldi and seconded by Vice-Mayor Gonsalves, and
unanimously carried to approve the City Council Agenda dated February 27, 2012 as
amended.**

3. PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

Thornton Consolo, Jackson, stated the Board of Supervisors has an item on their agenda regarding discussion and possible action relative to property located at 208 Court Street and the following County owned properties. City Manager Daly reported he spoke with Mark Olivarria about this matter and it was his understanding that this item was a request by Supervisor Plasse for discussion regarding additional uses on those properties. Mr. Consolo thanked City Staff for cleaning up the garbage on city streets.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR.

- a. Approval of Minutes of February 13, 2012 meeting.
- b. Approval of Expenditure Report for February in the amount of \$91,505.02.
- c. Approval of Claim for Damage – Staley.
- d. Adopt Resolution Suspending Certain Aspects of the Resource Constraints and Priority Allocation Policy for 2012.
- e. Adopt Resolution Modifying the Job Description for Fire Engineer and Authorizing an Additional Position.

Moved by Councilmember Sweet, seconded by Councilmember Lewis, and unanimously carried to approve as presented except for:

1. **Mayor Crew abstained on the approval of Check 233622 in the amount of \$489.42.**

5. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.

Police Chief Morrison reported there was nothing significant for the month of February.

City Planner Peters reported on the following:

1. The Planning Commission's March 19 meeting may be cancelled because no applications have been received.
2. Working on the Housing Element update.
3. Continued research of additional information provided for the Appeal of Planning Commission's decision for the demolition permit for 215 Court Street.

City Manager Daly reported on the following:

1. Public Hearing for discussion of possible State CDBG Application will be held Saturday March 3 at 11:00 a.m., at the Jackson Civic Center. Amador-Tuolumne Community Action Agency will be putting together the CDBG application for funding and the City Council also needs to hold a special City Council meeting on Monday, April 2.
2. Will be attending the Board of Supervisor's meeting tomorrow regarding the Court Street item.
3. Performed the Kennedy Meadow HOME 2012 Long-Term Monitoring today. Happy to report this facility is well managed and in excellent condition and continues to service community.
4. Jackson Apartment is currently installing their sidewalk improvement.
5. Recruitment for the Fire Engineer was advertised and is open through March 15.

6. COUNCIL REPORTS.

Councilmember Garibaldi reported he will be attending the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee meeting.

Vice-Mayor Gonsalves reported she will be attending the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee meeting.

Councilmember Sweet reported on the following:

1. Attended the ACTC meeting.
2. ACTC's new offices will be open in April.
3. Assisted ACTC with the consultant interviews for the Pine Grove Project.
4. Attended an assay seminar at the Kennedy Mine Saturday.
5. Will be making Save the Wheel presentation to various entities to ask for donations.
6. American Legion has invited him to make a presentation for Save the Wheel.
7. Attended the book signing for Author Scott Anderson – Shadow People.

Mayor Crew reported he will be attending the LAFCO meeting.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR.

7. **Public Hearing – Appeal of Planning Commission Approval for Demolition of Portion of Structure at 215 Court Street.** This item was continued to a future meeting pending research of additional information provided after the agenda packets were prepared.

8. Public Hearing - Amendments to City Sign Ordinance.

City Manager Daly reported at the November 28, 2011 meeting, the City Council held a public workshop to review the proposed changes to the City's Sign Regulations and consider implementation of a sign clutter cleanup campaign. After considerable discussion staff was directed to send a brochure discussing appropriate and legal signs to all business owners within the City, along with a letter explaining proposed changes to the sign regulations and an invitation to attend a sign workshop. At the January 23, 2012 meeting the City Council consider business community input from recent sign workshops which reviewed issues with the current and proposed Development Code, Article III, Chapter 17.54, Sign Regulations. Staff was directed to make the amendments to the Development Code, Article III, Chapter 17.54, Sign Regulations as discussed and schedule a public hearing to consider those amendments.

City Planner Peters reiterated at the January 23, 2012 meeting, the City Council held a public workshop to review the Planning Commission's recommended changes to the City's Sign Regulations and the results from the three sign workshops held earlier in January which were intended to solicit input from the business community regarding the proposed changes. After considerable discussion the City Council provided the following direction to staff regarding amendments to the Sign Regulations:

- No changes to the current regulations for pole signs which allows for such signs to be a maximum of 35 feet high and 32 square feet per side for a total of 64 square feet;
- No changes to the current regulations for internally lit cabinet signs which allows for such signs with only the lettering and logo to be lit;
- No changes to the banner and other temporary sign regulations which allows for two signs to be displayed three times a year for 30 days each use. Banner signs are restricted to a maximum of 16 square feet;
- Changes to Section 17.54.165, Certain Signs Prohibited in All Zones, prohibiting use of attention getting signs, changeable copy signs, electronic display screens, and electronic message centers;
- Addition of definitions for changeable copy sign, reader board sign, electronic display screen, and electronic message center;
- Description of how signs are measured and inclusion of Figure 3-22, Calculation of Sign Area;
- Regulations for window signs;
- New regulations regarding vehicle mounted signs; and
- Regulations for total aggregate signage allowed;

The Council also directed staff to amend the nonconforming sign section of the ordinance to allow for existing nonconforming signs to be "grandfathered." Section 17.54.100 has been amended granting all existing permanent signs nonconforming status. Section 17.54.105, Maintenance and Repair of Nonconforming Signs, has also been amended to require compliance with the Sign Regulations when a nonconforming sign requires repair, or maintenance which would constitute an expense of more than 50 percent of the replacement cost of the sign. The amended Development Code, Article III, Chapter 17.54, Sign Regulations was provided. Should the City Council approve Ordinance No. 670, a second reading and adoption will be placed on the March 12, 2012 agenda.

Mayor Crew opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments from the public, Mayor Crew closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Sweet felt the proposed amendments would be easier to understand if staff had provided the document with the changes red lined.

Vice-Mayor Gonsalves was surprised about the changes presented and based on her comments at the January 23 meeting. She reiterated with these economic times and staff limited time for enforcement, the City should keep the current sign ordinance. She also felt enforcement was not addressed.

City Planner Peters stated she will submit a policy outlining how enforcement of the Sign Ordinance would be implemented.

City Manager Daly suggested this item be continued to develop the red lined document and the enforcement policy for consideration at the next meeting.

After considerable discussion among the City Council and staff the following motion was made:

Moved by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Vice-Mayor Gonsalves, and unanimously carried to continue the first reading of Ordinance No. 670 to amend Development Code, Article III, Chapter 17.54, Sign Regulations.

9. Award of Bid – Jackson Water System Reservoir Liner.

City Manager Daly reported the City budgeted \$128,000 for installation of a liner in the City's 1.3 million gallon concrete water reservoir located above the Kennedy Mine property to improve the reliability of the City's water storage system. The engineer's estimate developed at the time the bid package was prepared was \$110,000. The project was put out to bid in December and three contractors attended the mandatory pre-bid meeting on Thursday, January 5, 2012.

The City Engineering Department reviewed the proposed bids to confirm compliance with the project specifications. There were a total of two bids opened on February 1: Viking Environmental's bid was \$89,750.00 and Liner Technologies's bid was \$109,000.00.

The Viking Environmental bid did not meet the minimum specifications of the project. The liner material they proposed to use did not meet the specifications. Also, the proposed product did not meet the warranty requirements. Due to these shortcomings it was determined that Viking Environmental's bid was non-responsive to the request for bids.

The Liner Technologies bid does comply with all bid specifications, therefore, the project is recommended to be awarded to them. The bid amount was within budget and very close to the engineer's estimate.

Following the award of bid, the contractor has ten days to submit the required insurance and contract documents. The contract specifications call for the work to be completed within thirty business days of the start construction, so unless there are unanticipated delay, the project should be completed by April 20, 2012.

Moved by Councilmember Sweet, seconded by Councilmember Lewis, and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution No. 2012-09 approving a Notice of Award to Liner Technologies, as the lowest responsible bidder for the subject project in the amount of \$109,000.

10. Request to Move Caminetti Monument to Jackson Vista Point.

City Manager Day reported in August of 1938, a monument was erected in memory of Anthony Caminetti, Sr., a native of Jackson who became District Attorney, State Senator, United States Congressman and United States Commissioner General of Immigration. The wording on the plaque embedded in the monument describes his achievements and is provide with this report. The location where the monument was placed is part of the property donated to the City by W.F. Detert that was eventually bisected by the state highway. Still in its original location near the intersection of Sutter Street and Highway 49/88, the monument is now difficult to access and is missed by most visitors to our area.

With the approval of an Environmental Enhancement Mitigation Program grant for the Vista Point, which is intended to highlight the area's history for traveling motorists at this location, it has been suggested by Councilmember Sweet that the Caminetti Monument be moved to the Vista Point to improve its accessibility to the public. As the "Father of the Alpine Highway", it seems appropriate that the monument be placed where there is a grander view of this highway. Though records regarding the placement of the monument are minimal, the Jackson City Council did approve submitting an encroachment permit application for placement of the monument at the current location on June 7, 1938.

Jim Laughton, Jackson, stated this was a good idea. He suggested Jackson's first Mayor Mr. Garbarini's monument be moved as well because he gets no respect where it is currently located.

Moved by Vice-Mayor Gonsalves, seconded by Councilmember Lewis, and unanimously carried to approve in principle to relocate the Caminetti monument, currently located near the intersection of Sutter Street and Highway 49/88 to the Vista Point where Highway 49/88 enters Jackson on its northern border.

12. ADJOURNMENT.

Adjourn: 7:47 p.m.

ATTEST:



Gisele L. Cangelosi, City Clerk

Date Approved: March 12, 2012