

Jackson City Council
Minutes
Regular Meeting of October 25, 2010

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

Michael Daly, City Manager
Andrew Morris, City Attorney
Scott Morrison, Police Chief
Gisele Cangelosi, City Clerk

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

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

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Crew, and unanimously carried to approve the City Council Agenda dated September 27, 2010 as presented.

2. PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

Phil Giurlani, Jackson, suggested the City Council consider temporarily reducing the Park Impact Mitigation Fee and Park Development Fee (current fee \$8,670) fifty percent to help stimulate building. Amador County has recently done this the county has done this.

Councilmember Lewis requested this matter be placed on the next agenda for consideration.

City Manager stated staff would research this matter and place an item on the future agenda for review and consideration.

Charline Buckley, Wild West Law Dawgs, Outlaws and Ladies, was present to present Mayor Gonsalves an award for placing second place in the Quick Draw competition held in Detert Park Saturday, October 18. She stated there were 28 vendors in attendance and they will be holding a roundtable meeting to discuss how to improve the event for next year. She noted they would be performing at Christmas Delights.

Tracey Towner-Yep, ACRA Executive Director, stated the County has cut their entire schedule of fees for 14 months and suggested the City Council look at how they accomplished the reduction. She stated half of something is better than nothing.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR.

1. Approval of Minutes of October 12, 2010 meeting.
2. Approval of Expenditure Report for October in the amount of \$ 97,826.00.
3. Accept September 30, 2010 Treasurer's Report and Sales Tax Report.
4. Receive Jackson Police Department Monthly Report for September 2010.
5. Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Engineer to Submit Agreement to Caltrans for Funding Relative to Bridge Scour Plans of Action.
6. Adopt Resolution Accepting Completion of Mission Boulevard Improvements.
7. Adopt Resolution for Final Parcel Map 2743, Teresa's Place, Inc., Giurlani and Miller.

8. Approval of Special Event – Jackson Lions Annual Halloween Parade, October 31, 2010.
9. Approval of Special Event – Argonaut HS Pep Rally, November 3, 2010.

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

1. **Councilmember Crew abstained on the approval of Check 233353 in the amount of \$272.28.**

4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.

Police Chief Morrison reported on the following items:

1. The department responded to 373 calls for service last month.
2. On Saturday, October 23 a driver under the influence took out the Bank of America gas main.
3. The Department has been awarded funds through the Homeland Security Grant for an emergency generator system at the Police Department and City Hall.

City Attorney Morris reported he has been working on the Rollingwood conversion matter and research for water conservation.

City Manager Daly reported on the following items:

1. The sign ordinance amendment pertaining to the size of non-commercial temporary signs was referred to the Planning Commission. This matter was discussed at their October 18 meeting and continued to a workshop to further discuss at their November 15 meeting.
2. Jackson Lions Annual Halloween Parade will be held Sunday, October 31, starting at 5:30 p.m. on Main Street.

5. COUNCIL REPORTS.

Councilmember Crew reported on the following items:

1. The Jackson Business and Community Association Kick-off was held Thursday, October 14, 2010 at Thomi. There were about 150 to 200 people in attendance with 58 committed members signing up.
2. There was a great turnout at the first Jackson Business and Community Association meeting with 20 members in attendance. The group appointed co-chairs for the Christmas Delights committee.
3. Attended the Air Quality Control Board meeting last week Tuesday.

Councilmember Garibaldi reported the Amador County Recreation Agency would be hosting the “Blue Moon” New Years Eve Bash again this year.

Mayor Gonsalves reported she attended the Jackson Business and Community Association Kick-off and thanked Councilmember Crew for all his efforts with the startup of this new association.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR.

6. Letter Expressing City Council Opposition to the Action of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to Close the Preston Youth Correctional Facility in Ione.

City Manager Daly reported at their October 19, 2010, meeting, the Amador County Board of Supervisors approved sending a letter to the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation opposing the possible closure of the Preston Youth Correctional Facility (YCF) in Ione. Opened as a

statewide institution to provide rehabilitation services for incarcerated youth, this facility has a long history in Amador County for its success with improving the lives of the youth and providing a stable source of employment within the county. Although the potential impact of a closure at this facility is not as great upon the City of Jackson as the City of Ione and surrounding unincorporated areas, there are employees of this facility who live in Jackson and many others who spend their payroll dollars at retail and service businesses within the City of Jackson. Closure of Preston could also impact the services received by the City of Jackson from the CYA Camp in Pine Grove.

In its letter to the Secretary Matthew Cate, the County urged the State to fully investigate all factors surrounding a possible closure and requesting that CDCR analyze the fiscal impacts on the local communities. The County's letter was sent prior to the formal announcement by CDCR that Preston is now scheduled to be closed no later than June 2011. This announcement was made on Thursday, October 21. A meeting with local officials hosted by CDCR is scheduled on Tuesday, October 26 in Ione to explain the decision to close this facility and the Mayor, City Manager and Police Chief are invited and plan to attend.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Crew, and unanimously carried to authorize the Mayor to sign the provided letter opposing the closure of the Preston Youth Correctional Facility in Ione.

7. Request from Downtown Merchants for Mid-Block Street Banner on Main Street to Publicize "Girls Night Out" Events.

City Manager Daly reported over the past few months, the merchants in downtown Jackson have re-organized and created some exciting new promotions. Though this group of merchants is not a formal organization, they are using Facebook, partnering with the new Jackson Business and Community Association, and working together to bring more shoppers to Main Street. One of the promotions is "Girls' Night Out." This event encourages merchants to stay open late on the first Thursday of the month and create a special shopping experience for the "girls." In order to help publicize this monthly event, the merchants group has proposed placing a 3' x 20" banner across Main Street in the mid-block area. This would be in the vicinity of Hendricks Company, 39 Main Street, and hang on existing anchoring used for the City's holiday decorations. The banner would be maintained by the merchants group with Chris Hendricks as the liaison with the City for banner issues. The sign would fall into the "exempt sign" section of the City's sign ordinance as an event sign, which is subject to regulatory guidelines established by the City Council. The group would like to keep the banner up in this location for a majority of the year, maintaining it as necessary and possibly changing the promotion if other events are created. This banner will not be displayed at the same time as the holiday decorations.

Tracey Towner-Yep, ACRA Executive Director, stated ACRA would be happy to share the kiosk sign located 15 State Highway 49/88 at State Farm Insurance

Kathryn Devlin, Planning Commission, stated it was reported the sign would have a pink background she noted it could not be neon pink according to the guidelines.

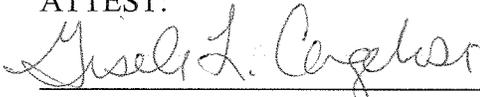
After considerable discussion the following motion was made:

Moved by Vice-Mayor Garibaldi, seconded by Councilmember Crew, and unanimously carried to approve the grant the downtown merchants request for placement of a banner over Main Street in the mid-block area to July 1.

7. ADJOURNMENT.

Adjourn: 7:34 p.m.

ATTEST:



Gisele L. Cangelosi, City Clerk

Date Approved: October 12, 2010