

MINUTES

Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands held in the Council Chambers, Civic Center, 35 Cajon Street, on February 4, 2025 at 5:00 P.M.

Present: Mario Saucedo, Mayor
Marc Shaw, Mayor Pro Tempore
Paul Barich, Council Member
Eddie Tejeda, Council Member
Denise Davis, Council Member

Staff: Charles M. Duggan, Jr., City Manager; Yvette M. Abich Garcia, City Attorney; Jeanne Donaldson, City Clerk; Phillip Doolittle, City Treasurer; Janice McConnell, Assistant City Manager; Chris Boatman, Assistant City Manager; Carl Baker, Public Information Officer; Danielle Garcia, Management Services/Finance Director; Brian Desatnik, Development Services Director; John Harris, Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director; Rich Sessler, Fire Chief; Rachel Tolber, Police Chief; Tabitha Crocker, Facilities and Community Services Director; Robert Mateau, HR/Risk Management Director

Mayor Saucedo called the meeting to order and explained that comments could be presented in-person, via Zoom, via cell phone or landline. He offered the public an opportunity to provide comment on any item on the agenda for the closed session.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None forthcoming

CLOSED SESSION

Conference with legal counsel - Anticipated litigation pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9(d)(2) and (e)(3):

A point has been reached where, in the opinion of the legislative body of the local agency on the advice of its legal counsel, based on existing facts and circumstances, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the local agency, based on the receipt of a written claim dated May 30, 2024 from Tyler P. Doremus, legal counsel for CEM Construction Co., to John Harris, Director of Municipal Utilities & Engineering threatening litigation (copy available for public inspection in City Clerk's Office)

Conference with legal counsel: Existing Litigation - Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)
(City Attorney Garcia)

Two Cases:

- a. Coyote Aviation Corporation, et al. v. City of Redlands, et al., San Bernardino Superior Court, Case No. CIVSB2418252
- b. California Department of Housing and Community Development v. Shangri-la Industries, LLC, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. 24STCV00629

Conference with real property negotiators - Government Code §54956.8
(Assistant City Manager Christopher Boatman)

Property:	APN 0292-063-38-0000
Agency Negotiators:	Charles M. Duggan, City Manager; Christopher Boatman, Assistant City Manager
Negotiating Party:	Seth Davis; Managing Director, Arixa Capital
Under Negotiation:	Terms of payment and price for possible purchase of property by the City.

RECONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting reconvened at 6:11 P.M. with an invocation by Mayor Saucedo. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag was conducted by the Student Lighthouse Team of Bryn Mawr Elementary School.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney Garcia announced that for Item C-1, the City Council approved an agreement to settle a public works contract claim filed by CEM Construction Co. for the 2022 CIP Sewer Pipeline Replacement Project. The settlement includes a payment to CEM Construction Co. of \$475,000, in exchange for a full release and waiver of all claims as to the City of Redlands. Once fully executed, a copy will be available in the City Clerk's office. The motion was made by Council Member Barich and seconded by Council Member Tejeda and passed unanimously. As to the remainder of the Closed Session items, no reportable action was taken.

PRESENTATIONS

Fae the Fire Dog

Fire Chief Sessler asked Fire Engineer Jeff Arrowood and Fire Captain Dustin Whitaker to introduce the newest addition to the department, Fae the Fire Dog. Engineer Arrowood explained that Fae is a therapy dog that provides a calming presence and offers unique support to help reduce stress and anxiety. Their goal is for Fae to play a role in supporting not only the fire department, but the community as well.

Redlands Pet Adoption

Animal Services Supervisor Jodi Kroeger and Kennel Attendant Hailey Stuck introduced "Mike", a six-year-old male hound mix, who is available for adoption, along with thirty-four other dogs and five cats at the Redlands Animal Shelter. Ms. Kroeger provided the Council statistics for 2024, which included: 351 adopted dogs and 184 adopted cats. She announced the shelter was full and in urgent need of fosters and adopters.

Black History Month Proclamation

Council Members presented Black History Month proclamations to the Black Student Unions from Citrus Valley High School (Jahnya Choice), Redlands East Valley High School (Kya Anthony), Redlands High School (Aniya White & Andrea Yamile Chiumia and former BSU President Jordan Santana), Orangewood High School (Matthew Peck) of Redlands Unified School District, and Byron Whitehead of the University of Redlands.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Editor Introductions - Rachael Gustuson, of the Times Media Group, briefly introduced herself as the editor of the Redlands Community News and the Yucaipa Calimesa News Mirror. She looked forward to meeting the Council Members and working with the City.

Redlands Visitor Center - David OHara described the vital role the Redlands Visitor Center plays in promoting the community, often acting as the public's first point of contact. The center presents a positive impression and offers a variety of services, including free maps, recommendations, tours, and a retail component with memorabilia. He requested financial assistance from the City and hoped to grow their partnership.

Respect for All - Anthony Dodd urged the Council to treat everyone with respect and fairness.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the regular meeting minutes of the January 21, 2025 City Council meeting.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Proclamation February 2025 Black History Month

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously authorized, by roll call vote, the issuance of a proclamation declaring the month of February 2025 to be Black History Month in the City of Redlands.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Adopt Ordinance No. 2975 Water, Sewer, Solid Waste Charges and Payments

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously adopted, by roll call vote, Ordinance No. 2975 to amend Title 13 (Public Services) relating to water, sewer and solid waste charges and payments.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Adopt Ordinance No. 2974 Traffic and Parking Commission

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously adopted, by roll call vote, Ordinance No. 2974 amending Section 2.48.040 of Chapter 2.48 of the Redlands Municipal Code relating to the Traffic and Parking Commission.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Adopt Ordinance No. 2978 Administrative Remedies Procedure Challenges

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously adopted, by roll call vote, Ordinance No. 2978 establishing an exhaustion of administrative remedies procedure for challenges to fees, charges, and assessments.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

U of R Agreement 2024-25 Work-Study Program

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the agreement with the University of Redlands to participate in the 2024-25 Work-Study Program.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Resolution No. 8662 Salary Schedule

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, Resolution No. 8662 establishing a Salary Schedule and Compensation Plan for City Employees and rescinding Resolution No. 8650.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Trinity Community Foundation Lease Agreements

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that approval of these agreements is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; and approved the lease agreements between the City of Redlands and Trinity Community Foundation, also known as Micah House, for properties located at 611 Chapel Street and 1006 Oxford Drive.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Ecology Center Agreement for Market Match Program

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that approval of the Agreement with Ecology Center is exempt from environmental review in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15301, approved the Agreement for Services with the Ecology Center to participate in their Market Match Program; approved an additional appropriation of \$2,432.25; and approved an in-kind service grant match of \$5,616.91.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

In-Kind Support The Run Through Redlands

Facilities and Community Services Director Crocker introduced the request for in-kind support in the amount of \$46,544.32 related to The Run Through Redlands Event hosted by the Kiwanis Club on Sunday, March 2nd, 2025. The request included temporary street closures and authorization of the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages at the event. She clarified that a revision was made to the fiscal impact portion of the staff report to reflect the correct costs associated with the event. As public comment, Dennis Bell said it appeared to him that organizations requesting in-kind support were padding their numbers, and he called for the City to provide a full accounting of the actual costs spent on each of the various events.

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Paul Barich, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that authorization for the items associated with the Run Through Redlands, hosted by the Kiwanis Club, on March 2nd, 2025 are exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15311(c) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; authorized and approved the expenditure of city resources and in-kind support in the amount of \$46,544.32; approved the temporary closure as detailed in the staff report; and approved the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages at the event held within Smiley Park.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

PlanetBids Agreement eProcurement System

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the Sole Source Agreement with PlanetBids for an eProcurement System in the amount of \$130,894.66 for 5 years.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

ERP Software Optimization Consulting Services Agreement

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the Agreement with SDI Presence LLC for ERP Software Optimization Consulting Services in an amount not-to-exceed \$236,230.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

WWTP Recycled Water Reservoir Project Agreement

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that approval of the Professional Services Agreement with Chambers Group, Inc. is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; and approved the Professional Services Agreement with Chambers Group, Inc. for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document determination services for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Recycled Water Reservoir Project for an amount not-to-exceed \$55,211.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

WWTP Qualified Industrial Stormwater Practitioner Support Agreement

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that approval of a Professional Services Agreement with CASC Engineering and Consulting, Inc. is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the state's guidelines implementing the California Quality Act; and approved the Professional Services Agreement with CASC Engineering and Consulting, Inc. for Wastewater Treatment Plant Qualified Industrial Stormwater Practitioner support and engineering services with an initial one (1) year term value not-to-exceed \$24,260 with options to extend for two (2) additional years for a total potential amount not-to-exceed \$72,780.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Resolution No. 8658 Public Safety Program Funds

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, Resolution No. 8658 for the use of the state's Fiscal Year 24/25 and 25/26 Citizens' Option for Public Safety Program Funds for the purpose of ensuring public safety.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Counseling Team International First Amendment

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the First Amendment to the agreement with the Counseling Team International for additional service and a cost of \$25,000 to provide the Redlands Police Department with a mandatory wellness check.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

COMMUNICATIONS

Contributions & Achievements Recognition Policy

Mayor Saucedo opened the discussion concerning a policy for City Council recognition of the contributions and achievements of individuals and organizations that benefit the community. The City Council has never adopted a policy or specific process relating to requests for recognition by

Council, and up until now it has been informally handled. City Manager Duggan stated if the Council desired to establish a policy, staff would conduct research and a survey of how other cities handle this matter and bring the results back for Council's review on February 18 or March 4, 2025.

Council Members Barich and Tejeda suggested it could be helpful to have a written policy establishing consistent practices and procedures. Council Member Davis questioned why this item was being considered when the process seemed to work well. She was not convinced this was a good use of staff's time. As public comment, Bruce Laycook thought staff's time could be better spent since this appeared to be a non-issue. Michael Paisner wondered what was not working with the current process, and he urged the Council to be as open and inclusive as possible when considering requests for recognition.

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Mayor Mario Saucedo, the City Council directed staff, by roll call vote, to develop a policy for City Council recognition of the contributions and achievements of individuals and organizations that benefit the community.

Vote: 3 - 2 Passed

2025 Council Members Academy Conference Report

Mayor Pro Tem Shaw attended the League of California Cities New Mayors and Council Member Academy held January 29-31, 2025, in Garden Grove. Sessions he highlighted include, Developing an Effective City Council and City Manager Team, Financial Responsibilities - City Revenues Workshop, and Policy Role in Land Use Planning. Overall, he found the experience to be extremely informative and time well spent.

Annual Report Citrus Preservation Commission

Commission Chair Michael Day presented the annual report of the Citrus Preservation Commission, providing a recap of the Commission's accomplishments and future goals. He described the industry-wide challenges associated with the oriental fruit fly infestation, with the season ending up as a total loss. He expressed appreciation of staff's efforts to mitigate the losses, which ultimately saved the city quite a bit of money. Fortunately for all farmers, the quarantine has been lifted, and fruit is being picked. The newest city groves are doing well and look great. The Citrus Commission's webpage offers additional resources, including links to the San Bernardino County Farm Bureau Federation and to a Master Gardener site. Council Members thanked Chair Day and all the commissioners for their dedication and service.

Annual Report Street Tree Committee

Committee Chair Chris Sedmack provided the Annual Report of activities and goals of the Street Tree Committee. These included the planting of 67 parkway trees in conjunction with Arbor Day, continued education materials found within the City's utility bills, recommendations made to City staff on tree maintenance policies and procedures for tree removals, and the initiation of door hangers to instruct the public about preserving our trees. Committee goals for 2025 include, the revision of the Street Tree Policy and Protection Guidelines Manual, working with City leadership to increase the budget for street tree trimming, encouraging the City to transplant or sell endangered parkway palms, conduct Arbor Day programs, continue education in local newspapers and the City's utility bills, resolve street tree sidewalk conflicts, and improve tree pruning cycles. Chair Sedmack pointed out that City staff was working on an Urban Forestry Master Plan. Council Members thanked her for the thorough report. Council Member Tejeda commended Ms. Sedmack, Andy Hoder and Janet Ward for their tremendous work in creating the Street Tree Handbook Manual.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Appeal DSD Approval Reasonable Accommodation No. 19

Mayor Saucedo declared the meeting open as a Public Hearing and called on Development Services Director Desatnik for a report on the Appeal of the Development Services Director's approval of Reasonable Accommodation No. 19, a request to allow one service animal on a residential property located at 521 South Fourth Street, filed by Terra Bird, Appellant. Redlands Municipal Code (RMC) Chapter 18.06 allows any person with a disability to submit an application for Reasonable Accommodation to modify or alleviate any zoning code, law, regulation, procedure, or policy that is preventing, or will prevent, the applicant's use and enjoyment of the subject property. In this case, the application requested approval for one small service animal to be kept at the subject property (within the house and the rear yard of the property). The service animal was specifically prescribed by a licensed health provider as the necessary treatment for the alleviation of the applicant's personal medical condition. The applicant submitted appropriate medical evidence from a health care professional as required by RMC Section 18.06.030.

The Appellant, Terra Bird, offered her rationale for appealing the accommodation and said her neighbors are non-compliant with the zoning regulations. She said the chicken roams freely throughout their backyard and the chicken's nesting hutch, food and water are left outside, which directly affects her because of possible health concerns. Zayanne Thompson, the applicant requesting the accommodation, stated her emotional support chicken lives indoors in the area where she works. The chicken allows Ms Thompson to relax and focus on her job, and she is not comfortable without the therapy bird.

At this point, Ms. Bird indicated she was struggling to clearly hear what people were saying. In order to proceed in a fair and equitable manner, City Manager Duggan and City Attorney Garcia requested Council continue the public hearing to March 4, 2025, so that the City, at that time, can appropriately accommodate to the needs of Ms. Bird.

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously agreed, by roll call vote, to continue the Public Hearing to consider the Appeal

of Reasonable Accommodation No. 19, to allow one service animal on a residential property located at 521 South Fourth Street (APN: 0173-043-09-0000) within the Suburban Residential, located at 521 South Fourth Street.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Resolution No. 8659 Weed Abatement Proceedings

Mayor Saucedo declared the meeting open as a public hearing and called on Fire Marshal Vince Anderson, who provided background on the Council action of January 21, 2025, declaring weeds to be a public nuisance. A notice was then sent to each property owner to provide 10 days to abate the nuisance or incur the cost of having the City abate their property and having the cost assessed upon their land as a lien until paid. The hearing was set to hear any objections to the proposed weed abatement proceedings. There were no written comments received and with no further discussion, Mayor Saucedo closed the Public Hearing.

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, Resolution No. 8659 overruling objections and proceeding with weed abatement of subject properties.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

NEW BUSINESS

Platform and Parking Lot Security Agreement for Rail Stations

Facilities and Community Services Director Crocker reported on the agreement with Citiguard, Inc. for platform and parking lot security at the Redlands Passenger Rail Downtown and University Stations for an initial one-year term, and an option to extend by one-year for a possible total amount not-to-exceed \$690,897.60.

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Paul Barich, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that the agreement with Citiguard, Inc. is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061 (b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; and approved the agreement with Citiguard, Inc for a possible total amount not-to-exceed \$690,897.60 for platform and parking lot security at the Redlands Passenger Rail Downtown and University Stations for an initial one-year term, and an option to extend by one-year for a possible total amount not-to-exceed \$690,897.60.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Parts and Repair Services City's LNG/CNG Fuel Island

Facilities and Community Services Director Crocker reviewed the need for a sole source purchase order modification with AMREP to increase the total compensation for an amount not-to-exceed \$300,000 to provide AMREP parts and service, and a sole source purchase order modification with Clean Energy to increase the total compensation for an amount not-to-exceed \$240,000 parts and repair services for the City's LNG/CNG fuel island.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Marc Shaw, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, a sole source purchase order modification with AMREP to increase the total compensation for an amount not-to-exceed \$300,000 to provide AMREP parts and services; and approved a sole source purchase order modification with Clean Energy to increase the total compensation for an amount not-to-exceed \$240,000 for parts and repair services for the City's LNG/CNG fuel island.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

PO Modification Vehicle Lease & Maintenance Program

Facilities and Community Services Director Crocker presented a purchase order modification with Enterprise FM Trust for the vehicle lease and maintenance program in the amount of \$192,736.85, resulting in a total purchase order amount not to exceed \$3,155,736.85 and a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,728,389.85.

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Paul Barich, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, a purchase order modification for Fiscal Year 2024-25 with Enterprise FM Trust for a vehicle lease and maintenance program in an amount of \$192,736.85 for a total purchase order amount not to exceed \$3,155,736.85 and a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,728,389.85.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Contract Award Redlands Regional Connector (South) Pedestrian & Bike Trail Project

Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director Harris detailed the contract with Metrocell Construction, Inc. for the construction of the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) Redlands Regional Connector (South) - Pedestrian & Bike Trail Project, Project No. F400032, Federal Project No. CRP-5083(031), adding the City was awarded the Carbon Reduction Program grant in the amount of \$765,096.58. This segment of work is part of a much larger project and is located at the southern edge. Director Harris and City Manager Duggan praised the work Dr. Raymond Wolfe, SBCTA Executive Director, who has diligently worked to keep this larger project alive. As public comment, Brent Meredith fully supported the project and said this stretch of Orange Street is extremely challenging for cyclists. He travels this route to work every day and said it was time to fund projects promoting safer conditions.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Marc Shaw, seconded by Council Member Paul Barich, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that approval of a construction contract and construction of the CRP Redlands Regional Connector (South) - Pedestrian & Bike Trail Project, Project No. F400032, Federal Project No. CRP-5083(031) are categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; accepted a Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) grant in the amount of \$765,096.58; approved the CRP Redlands Regional Connector (South) - Pedestrian & Bike Trail Project plans and specifications; and approved a construction contract with Metrocell Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$623,911.38.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Contract Award 2024 Citywide Sidewalk & ADA Ramp Replacement Project

Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director Harris introduced a Public Works Construction Contract with Tryco General Engineering for the 2024 Citywide Sidewalk and ADA Ramp Replacement Project for an amount not to exceed \$500,000. The Project will replace approximately two miles of lifted and broken sidewalks and eighteen ADA curb ramps in various locations throughout the City. Specific locations have been determined in accordance with the sidewalk repair matrix methodology, approved by the City Council on September 1, 2015, and the ADA ramp survey summary prepared by VA Consulting, Inc. in 2014.

As public comment, John Malcolm said it looked as if the project focused on the south side of town, and he asked if the north side would also be the beneficiary of repairs and replacements. Director Harris was happy to meet with Mr. Malcolm to discuss potential locations that may need attention. Council Member Tejeda pointed out the north side had not been overlooked, and public improvement projects are generally seen throughout every district.

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that approval of the 2024 Citywide Sidewalk and ADA Ramp Replacement Project is exempt from environmental review in accordance with Section 15301(c) of the State's Guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; approved the 2024 Citywide Sidewalk and ADA Ramp Replacement project plans and specifications; and awarded the Public Work Construction Contract to Tryco General Engineering for an amount not to exceed \$500,000.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Recycled Water Distribution System Expansion Engineering Project Agreement

Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director Harris reviewed the Professional Services Agreement with N2W Engineering, Inc. for the Recycled Water Distribution System Expansion Engineering Project for an amount not to exceed \$332,500. The intent of this project is to evaluate, engineer, and permit a connection or multiple connections between the recycled water distribution system and the non-potable water distribution system to expand the recycled water distribution system east of I-210. The project will also analyze the City's ability to serve recycled water to other residential and non-residential developments recently approved and/or constructed.

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Paul Barich, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that approval of a Professional Services Agreement with N2W Engineering, Inc. is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; approved an additional appropriation in the amount of \$332,500 from the Non-potable Capital Improvement Fund (532); and approved the Professional Services Agreement with N2W Engineering, Inc. for the Recycled Water Distribution System Expansion Engineering Project in the amount not to exceed \$332,500.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Amending Agreement with General Pump Company

Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director Harris summarized the Second Amendment to the Non-Professional Service Agreement with General Pump Company to increase by \$500,000, and increase the extended term compensation to \$1,250,000 to complete additional repairs to production wells and booster pumps in preparation for the upcoming peak pumping season. Mayor Saucedo wondered what plans are in place if any of these critical water infrastructures were to lose power. Director Harris explained that his department is considering any and all options, such as using large generators or solar power.

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Paul Barich, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that approval of a Second Amendment to the Non-Professional Services Agreement with General Pump Company is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; and approved the Second Amendment to the Non-Professional Service Agreement with General Pump Company to increase by \$500,000, to provide groundwater well and booster pump services on an as-needed basis.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Mayor Saucedo chaired the Disaster Council meeting where representatives from the County of San Bernardino presented a recap of the Line and Bridge fires. And with all the recent fires in Los Angeles, he said it was very evident that all of us, including agencies, need to learn to be better prepared for disasters.

Mayor Pro Tem Shaw attended the Lincoln Shrine Open House, participated in the Lincoln Pilgrimage and enjoyed the Museum of Redlands Open House. He was honored to attend Assemblymember James Ramos Swearing-In ceremony.

Council Member Barich attended the Lincoln Shrine Open House, participated in the Lincoln Pilgrimage, and enjoyed the Museum of Redlands Open House.

Council Member Tejeda represented the City at the Chamber's Rise and Shine breakfast in January and was honored to attend Assemblymember James Ramos Swearing-In ceremony.

Council Member Davis hosted the Youth Council meeting, attended the UC Riverside Dean's Ambassador Program, and enjoyed the soft opening of Viva La Boba on Orange Street. She participated in the recent Climate Action Policy meeting, the Cultural Arts Commission meeting and had a great experience riding the Metrolink bus on Transit Equity Day.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further action required the meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M. The next regular meeting of the City of Redlands City Council will be held on February 18, 2025.