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**CITY OF KUNA
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

MINUTES

JULY 10, 2007

KUNA CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER, 763 W. AVALON

1:00 p.m. – BUDGET WORKSHOP AND SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Dowdy called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Present: Mayor Scott Dowdy, Council President Jeffery Lang, Councilwoman Trina Stroebel and Councilman Richard Cardoza.

Also present were: City Attorney Randy Grove, City Clerk Lynda Burgess, City Treasurer Robin McKean, Public Works Director Jim Taylor, Sgt. Kody Aldrich, Kuna Police Dept. and Justin Walker, Keller Associates.

2. BUDGET WORKSHOP

Mayor Dowdy pointed out that the Expense and Income Worksheets are not accurate since there are items that still needed to be added, i.e., annexation values.

Treasurer McKean reported that property tax values should increase somewhat with the addition of the annexation values yet to be obtained from the County. Amounts from Planning and Zoning have been estimated based on last year's revenues since there is no Director in place yet. She stated that U.S. Wireless notified the City that they would be abandoning the cell tower in December so the rental income account has been reduced accordingly.

C/Lang reported that the used car lot at the corner of Bridge and Avalon has changed hands and suggested that the City look into re-negotiating the rental agreement. CA/Grove was requested to look into the matter.

With regard to Planning & Zoning, T/McKean reported that the department has taken in a lot more administration fees than in the past so that account has been increased. \$60,000 was budgeted for ACHD Impact Fees this past year and the amount received has far exceeded that estimate; however, the expense budget reflects payments in the same amount as has been received so this account is merely a pass-through. Building Permit fees received were much lower than budgeted this year. Funds were budgeted for Code Abatement but nothing has been received and the source of these funds is unknown. Perhaps this account should be removed from the budget.

M/Dowdy stated that he had requested the Treasurer to budget for the entire \$30,000,000 for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Further, he requested that the City Engineer assist the City in keeping track of all of the projects related to the Treatment Plant and funded through the LID.

In response to M/Dowdy regarding Tree Bond Vouchers, CC/Burgess explained that approximately 92 vouchers remain to be either issued or redeemed. Of those vouchers already issued, approximately 75% will expire in October and will not be renewed.

Steve Ricks, representing the Kuna Chamber of Commerce, stated that Chamber would appreciate a donation from the City in the amount of \$18,000 for the next fiscal year to help fund event development, public relations, city visitor logs, welcome and relocation packets, etc.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

C/Lang moved, seconded by T/Stroebel to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to ID Sec. 672345(a) and (f) at 2:10 p.m. Motion carried by the following Roll Call vote:

AYES: Lang, Stroebel, Cardoza
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Moved by C/Lang, seconded by C/Stroebel to adjourn Executive Session at 2:35 p.m.

Council directed CA/Grove to respond to Best Bath indicating that the Special Use Permit will still be required by the City and that the public has a right to open discussion on the issue.

4. APPOINTMENT OF STEVE HASSON AS PLANNING & ZONING DIRECTOR

M/Dowdy reported that he had met with Mr. Hasson earlier in the week and indicated that Mr. Hasson would be available for duty in 30 days. Mr. Hasson agreed to report to work at the City of Kuna on Fridays only with a beginning employment date of August 13, 2007 at an annual salary of \$65,000. M/Dowdy then nominated Mr. Hasson for the position

Approval of appointment of Steve Hasson as Planning & Zoning Director was verified by the following Roll Call vote:

AYES: Lang, Stroebel, Cardoza
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

- 5. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to conduct, it was moved by C/Lang, seconded by C/Stroebel to adjourn the meeting at 2:43 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

J. SCOTT DOWDY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

LYNDA BURGESS, CITY CLERK

DATE APPROVED: AUGUST 21, 2007