

**Minutes
City Council Meeting
July 28, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm by Mayor Cullen. He thanked everyone for attending and apologize for the late start.

FLAG SALUTE: The flag salute was led by Mayor Cullen.

ROLL CALL:

City Council: Council Members Belinda Hendrickson, Michael LeBarre, Darlene Acosta, Mayor Pro Tem Karen Jernigan, and Mayor Cullen
City Staff: City Manager, Michael Powers, City Attorney Martin Koczanowicz, Chief of Police, Ron Forgue

AGENDA REVIEW

No reported changes

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS: City Attorney Martin Koczanowicz announced there were no reportable action and clarified council will meet after regular meeting to continue closed session.

PRESENTATIONS: none

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:

Susan Childers announced she has been appointed the new chief executive officer at Mee Memorial Hospital. She further added that Lex Smith who has served the CEO for the past several years, has resigned. Mrs. Childers expressed she looks forward to work with Council and City to better serve the health care needs of the South County.

Carlos Victoria-Asked Council to continue efforts in working with Rio Plaza Property Manager to increase property security.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Pro Tem Jernigan indicated she had suggestions for city website, reported she has received several complaints on recent Waste Management rate increase. Working with KCHS Link Crew to coordinate presentation to council. Council member Hendrickson reported she enjoyed attending Mayor and Council Member Executive Forum, will attend upcoming TAMC meeting. Remains concern with safety at Komfort Court and request council continues to monitor. Council member Acosta attended 4C4P meeting, thanked the Clergy Council for ongoing support they provide to all the various agencies. Council member LeBarre, attended MST meeting, asked public to report any crime tips and come forward with any information. Mayor Cullen thanked Chief Forgue for attending Rotary lunch. Attended Fort Hunter Liggett Change in Command Ceremony, will be attending Salinas Solid Waste Authority board retreat, enjoyed attending Forbes Agtech Summit.

CITY STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS

City Manager Powers reported sewer maintenance project bids will be closing next month. Mike Nino met with Staff and agreed to return with park improvements, staff to follow up. Met with one bidder of sound system and is working on availability of consultant for next strategic planning session. Staff continues to work on Opterra item. Met with PG&E staff regarding a 4 inch gas main line and the need to remove several city trees and structures, staff to follow up and report back.

Chief Forgue-reported no one was reported injured at recent shooting.

City Attorney Koczanowicz noted he will provide city Airport hanger leases update at next meeting.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. City Council Meeting Minutes- June 9 and June 23, 2015
- B. Police Department Tow Report
- C. 935 Broadway Monthly Update
- D. Stream Maintenance Program along the Salinas River and San Lorenzo Creek

Council member Hendrickson asked for further clarification on item C. Chief Building Official Paul Hodges answered questions regarding Komfort Court. Council member Hendrickson request property update be kept on agenda and clarified she is still concern with issues involving trailer park. Mayor Pro Tem Jernigan suggested conducting a tour of Komfort Court and suggested council write another letter to State Housing Community Development, HCD. She expressed she is in favor of council continuing to have property under radar. Mayor Cullen encourage public to report complains to HCD. City Attorney Koczanowicz further clarified mobile homes are private property and provided brief explanation of brief legality of property. Council member Hendrickson expressed she would like to continue to receive property update by Chief Building Official. Mayor Pro tem Jernigan clarified she provided minute corrections.

Action: Motion to approve items made by Council member LeBarre, Seconded by Council member Acosta.

AYES: Council Members: Acosta, Hendrickson, LeBarre, Mayor Pro Tem Jernigan and Mayor Cullen,

NOES: Council Members:

ABSENT: Council Members:

ABSTAIN: Council Members:

2. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Introduction of Ordinance 2015-716 of The City of King, adding chapter 7.11 to title 7 of the City of King Municipal Code to entitled "Regulation of Psychoactive Bath Salts Psychoactive Herbal Incense, and other Synthetic Drugs" Prohibiting the Distribution and Sale of Certain Intoxicating Chemical Compounds known as Synthetic Drugs. City Attorney Koczanowicz introduced item and explained ordinance is presented for second reading. Council member Acosta expressed she greatly supports adopting ordinance and appreciates all information outlined in ordinance. Mayor Cullen open public hearing. No public comment.

Action: Motion to approve Second reading of ordinance 716 made by Council member Acosta, seconded by council member LeBarre.

AYES: Council Members: Hendrickson, Acosta, LeBarre, Mayor Pro Tem Jernigan and Mayor Cullen,

NOES: Council Members:

ABSENT: Council Members:

ABSTAIN: Council Members:

3. REGULAR BUSINESS

- A. Discussion regarding Medical Marijuana- Mayor Cullen introduced item and explained council is interested in listening and learning the community perspective on medical marijuana. He clarified council will not be taking formal action and explain this is an opportunity to receive

feedback and listen to community concerns and thoughts regarding medical marijuana. City Manager Powers provided background information and explained several years the City adopted a regulatory ordinance against the establishment of medical dispensaries within city limits. He explained recently three initiatives have been filed with Secretary of State, and Lt. Gov. Newsom release report on marijuana. He explained staff has seen popularity in topic, and believes it is good timing for discussion to be addressed. He further clarified city has the ability to regulate medical marijuana dispensaries and explained staff has conducted research in the past and has research best practices in the establishes of such. He further added, all aspect of any potential establishment would need to be considered. City Attorney Koczanowicz briefly provided clarification on legality of marijuana use and sales. He indicated City will have ability to control safety measures, locations, and other related issues if medical marijuana dispensaries were are approved in city limits. He added that taxation on product is subject to voter approval. He clarified staff is prepared to provide any guidance council desires. Mayor opened item for public comments. Mayor Cullen clarified medical marijuana dispensaries are currently not allowed in city limits as regulated by a city ordinance adopted several years ago. He then welcome public comment. Approximately 30 speakers voiced their personal experiences and opinions on medical marijuana including, dispensaries and it potential positive and negative impacts on community. Council thanked public for attending meeting and sharing feedback. Staff to provide further research and information on item. Council to hold another public hearing, item to be further review in September.

- B. Discussion and possible action on Chief Forgue Blue Print for King City Police Department- Chief Forgue thanked public for attending meeting and expressed he is not in support of establishing a medical marijuana dispensary and welcomes further factual information on dispensaries. He indicated he appreciates the willingness for community to speak up and share their thoughts. He proceeded to describe his Blueprint for change and recent implemented changes at Police Department. He added he has enjoyed his first month as Chief, and provided details on recent changes within department. He explained officers have been going on foot patrols, sergeants have been provided with a cell phones for public to provide crime tips or concerns and added changes are in efforts to enhance community involvement. He added that Sergeants and Officers are held accountable by law and expectations and further described changes and future plans for department as explained in staff report. Chief Forgue added that the Civilian Academy and Explorers Program will be starting up as well. He indicated department needs more Personnel, and salary commitments. He thanked sister cities and other law enforcement agencies for their collaborated work. He highly request community involvement and willingness to report a crime or come forward with information. He invited public to attend National Night Out next Tuesday. Mayor Cullen and Council thanked Chief Forgue for all his recent efforts.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Cullen adjourned the meeting at 8:54 pm.

Approved Signatures:



Mayor, Robert Cullen
City of King



City Clerk, Michael Powers
City of King