

**CITY OF SELMA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 6, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Selma City Council was called to order at 6:10 p.m. in the Council chambers. Council members answering roll call were: Avalos, Lujan, Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez and Mayor Grey. Council member Derr was absent.

Also present were City Manager Heusser, City Attorney Costanzo, Interim Police Chief Dyck, Financial Consultant Yribarren, and interested citizens.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Steve Grucus, stepped forward to invite Council to a bike race he will be holding in Selma on September 9th.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion to approve the Consent Calendar was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez and seconded by Council member Lujan. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Rodriguez, Lujan, Avalos, Grey

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Derr

- a. Minutes of the July 16, 2012 regular meeting approved as written.
- b. Check register dated August 2, 2012 approved by standard motion.

DISCUSSION AND NECESSARY ACTION ON CALIFORNIA WATER RATE

INCREASE: City Manager Heusser reported that Cal Water has filed a rate increase of 24.4% that would begin in 2014 and discussed the different options suggested by Cal Water to make it easier for the citizens of Selma. After discussion, it was the consensus of Council to direct staff to issue a letter of opposition to the proposed rate increase. After further discussion, Council also directed staff to evaluate the feasibility of a water development impact fee.

CONSIDERATION AND NECESSARY ACTION ON ENTITLEMENTS TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW COMMERCIAL BUILDING IN THE SELMA SQUARE SHOPPING CENTER: City Manager Heusser stated the Les Schwab Tire Center would be located near the Office Max building. He introduced Mr. Mike Oxman, of Les Schwab Tire Center who stepped forward to discuss the needed entitlements to facilitate the construction of the new building.

After discussion motion to approve RESOLUTION NO. 2012-36R, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELMA APPROVING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. 2011-0086 TO ALLOW THE USE OF PAINTED AND OR EXPOSED METAL IN THE NORTH WEST SPECIFIC PLAN ZONE AREA 2731 HIGHLAND AVENUE, SELMA, CA (LES SCHWAB) *and* RESOLUTION NO. 2012-37R, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELMA APPROVING PRECISE PLAN AMENDMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESMENT 2731 HIGHLAND AVENUE, SELMA, CA (LES SCHWAB) *and*

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-38R, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELMA APPROVING ZONE VARIANCE (*set-back*) AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. 2011-0086 2731 HIGHLAND AVENUE, SELMA, CA (LES SCHWAB) *and* RESOLUTION NO. 2012-39R, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELMA APPROVING PRECISE PLAN AMENDMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (*new driveway*) 2731 HIGHLAND AVENUE, SELMA, CA (LES SCHWAB) was made by Council member Lujan and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Lujan, Rodriguez, Avalos, Grey

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Derr

CONSIDERATION AND NECESSARY ACTION ON AN APPLICATION FOR A FENCE PLACEMENT VARIANCE BY MARTY LYNCH OF M & M MINISTRIES, 1801

SECOND STREET: City Manager Heusser introduced Pastor Marty Lynch who stated the reason for the application is for the safety of the children at the church, and to beatify the property. Motion to approve the fence placement variance was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez and seconded by Council member Avalos. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Rodriguez, Avalos, Lujan, Grey

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Derr

CONSIDERATION AND NECESSARY ACTION ON ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1-5-1 OF CHAPTER 5 OF TITLE 1 OF THE SELMA MUNICIPAL CODE CHANGING THE REGULAR MEETING TIME OF THE SELMA CITY COUNCIL:

City Manager Heusser reported that on June 4, 2012, Council approved a temporary summer schedule for the City of Selma Council meetings to begin at 6:00 p.m. Since then, staff has received several good comments regarding the new start time. Motion was made by Mayor Grey and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez to introduce and waive the first reading of ORDINANCE NO. 2012-1, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELMA AMENDING SECTION 1-5-1 OF CHAPTER 5 OF TITLE 1 OF THE CITY OF SELMA MUNICIPAL CODE CHANGING THE TIME OF CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Grey, Rodriguez, Avalos, Lujan

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Derr

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS: City Manager Heusser introduced Mr. Joey Daggett who is one of the City's contracted engineers from Gateway Engineering. He also reported that he would be on vacation the rest of the week and a portion of next week.

COUNCIL REPORTS: Mayor Grey reported on a complaint he received concerning street parties and noise permits.

Council member Avalos reported on attending a meeting of the Latino Caucus, a recent vacation, and thanked all the departments for their hard work.

Council member Lujan also reported on attending a meeting of the Latino Caucus, the ongoing graffiti problem, and asked staff to arrange a workshop with Mr. Paul Dictos.

Council member Rodriguez reported on a recent tour of the Big League of Dreams Stadium in Manteca.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Mr. Steven Peterson, 3030 Love Street, stepped forward to report on a graffiti issue near Alton Court.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reyna Rivera
City Clerk

Kenneth Grey
Mayor of the City of Selma

Resolutions Nos: 2012-36R, 2012-37R, 2012-38R, 2012-39R