

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRADBURY
HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2012**

- CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lathrop at 7:02 p.m. Mayor Lathrop led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- ROLL CALL:** PRESENT: Mayor Lathrop, Mayor Pro-Tem Pycz, Councilmembers Barakat, Hale and Lewis
- ABSENT: None
- STAFF: City Manager Keith, City Attorney Reisman, City Clerk Saldana and Management Analyst Kearney
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Mayor Lathrop stated that he wished to pull item E from the Consent Calendar for discussion. Councilmember Lewis made a motion to approve the agenda to proceed with City Business. Mayor Pro-Tem Pycz seconded the motion which carried unanimously.
- DISCLOSURE OF ITEMS REQUIRED BY GOV. CODE SECTION 1090 & 81000 ET SEQ.** In compliance with the California Political Reform Act, each City Councilmember has the responsibility to disclose direct or indirect potential for a personal financial impact as a result of participation in the decision making process concerning agenda items.
- City Attorney Reisman stated that Councilmember Barakat should abstain from voting on item #2 (Community Yard Sale) due to the proximity of his property to City Hall.
- PRESENTATION:** In recognition of Kathleen Mead's 100th Birthday the City Council proclaimed August 1, 2012 as Kathleen Mead Day. Mayor Lathrop read the Proclamation to Mrs. Mead, who was in attendance with family members. Mayor Lathrop also presented Mrs. Mead with a bouquet of flowers. Mrs. Mead thanked the City Council for their tribute.
- PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
- CONSENT CALENDAR:** All items on the Consent Calendar are considered by the City Council to be routine and will be enacted by one motion unless a Councilmember requests otherwise, in which case the item will be removed and considered by separate action. All Resolutions and Ordinances for Second Reading on the Consent Calendar are deemed to be "to waive further reading and adopt."
- A. Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting of July 17, 2012
 - B. Resolution No. 12-25: Demands & Warrants for August 2012
 - C. Financial Statement for the month of July 2012
 - D. Re-Appointment of City Treasurer Laurie Stiver
 - E. Approval of Amendment No. 1 – Extending the Coordinated Monitoring Program of the Metals TMDL with the Gateway Cities Council of Governments
 - F. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 325: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Bradbury Amending Chapter 8 – Public Projects Contracts increasing the monetary limit for public works projects

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR:

Councilmember Hale moved to approve the Consent Calendar minus item E, which was pulled for discussion. Councilmember Barakat seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Lathrop, Mayor Pro-Tem Pycz, Councilmembers Barakat, Hale and Lewis

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed 5:0

Mayor Lathrop and the City Council also thanked Ms. Stiver for her years of service as City Treasurer (see item D).

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM E APPROVED:

City Manager Keith explained the necessity of extending the Coordinated Monitoring Program of the Metals TMDL with the Gateway Cities Council of Governments. Ms. Keith stated that the City doesn't have the funds or staff to perform the complex monitoring of the Metals TMDL.

Councilmember Barakat moved to approve the Consent Calendar Item E. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Lathrop, Mayor Pro-Tem Pycz, Councilmembers Barakat, Hale and Lewis

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed 5:0

DISCUSSION – COMMUNITY YARD SALE:

City Manager Keith stated that at the July meeting the City Council discussed the idea of hosting a citywide community yard sale. Staff was directed to work on the details of such an event and present it to the Council for approval. Staff is suggesting the community yard sale be held on Saturday, October 13, 2012 in the City Hall parking lot between the hours of 8 am and noon. Set-up time for the event will start at 7 am. Utilizing the back parking lot, residents will sell their items in a pre-purchased 10'x10' space for a fee of \$25. Other vendors may be invited to set up a booth, such as the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Los Angeles County Fire Department, Used Oil Awareness Grant, etc.

The City may have 10 to 15 stalls rented at \$25 each. This would produce a revenue source of \$250 to \$375. However, the City will be renting two portable toilets for a total of \$200, so we probably won't raise any funds.

City Attorney Reisman suggested that sellers donate 10% of their sales to the City to make the event profitable. The City Attorney also stated that the City needs a Conditional Use Permit for this event.

Karen Dunst, 1527 Lemon Avenue, inquired about who, other than staff, is going to champion this event and suggested the someone from each District should talk to their neighbors.

Councilmember Barakat, speaking as a private citizen, inquired if this event is a farmers market or a garage sale. City Manager Keith replied that it is a garage sale.

Mayor Pro-Tem Pycz felt that the City doesn't have a lot to gain from this event. Councilmember Hale agreed.

City manager Keith replied that it is more of an event to bring the community together.

MOTION:

Councilmember Lewis made a motion to move forward with the Community Yard Sale to be held on October 13, 2012 and garner interest and have staff report back. Councilmember Hale seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Lathrop, Mayor Pro-Tem Pycz, Councilmembers Hale and Lewis

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Councilmember Barakat

Motion passed 4:0

APPROVAL OF RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR GREEN WASTE

City Manager Keith stated that the City of Bradbury contracts with Burrtec Waste Services for solid waste collection and recycling. Pursuant to Section 10.10 of the Franchise Agreement "each subsequent July 1 (after July 1, 1999) the rate for each category of services shall be subject to upward or downward adjustment. Customer rates are comprised of the following categories: contractor service cost, disposal cost, recycling processing cost, green waste processing cost and manure waste cost."

At the June 19, 2012 meeting the City Council approved the refuse collection and recycling rates effective July 1, 2012 except for Green Waste. Staff and Burrtec were requested to work on a rate structure for this program and bring it back for further consideration.

Upon reviewing the options offered by the City Council and to ensure the Burrtec covers its costs, Burrtec is proposing the tiered fee structure below:

Number of Barrels	Price Per Month
0-5	\$0 (free)
6-11	\$15
12-20	\$42

Richard Nino, Regional Manager with Burrtec, was present to answer questions.

Councilmember Hale stated that the Bradbury Estates HOA does not allow curbside collection, but one renter does it anyway. Richard Nino stated that health law requires Burrtec to pick up waste once a week. City Manager Keith advised Councilmember Hale that the Community Services District (CSD) has the power to issue citations, just like the City.

MOTION:

Councilmember Barakat moved to approve the Green Waste collection and recycling rates as proposed, effective October 1, 2012. Mayor Pro-Tem Pycz seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Lathrop, Mayor Pro-Tem Pycz, Councilmembers Barakat, Hale and Lewis

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed 5:0

**LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS TO
REDUCE TAXES IN BRADBURY
FOR SUSTAINABLE VIABILITY
AND/OR COST SAVINGS:**

This item is on the agenda every month for the City Council to consider ideas and comments from residents regarding long-term solutions to the City's fiscal challenges, specifically potential strategies for enhancing and creating new revenue and/or cost savings.

During the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget the City of Bradbury was faced with escalating expenses and consistently decreasing revenues. This stemmed from the result of the current economic downturn, decreased home sales, construction activity and overall rising costs of providing service to residents. This situation has not changed and the City Council continues to look for additional ways to increase revenue and provide cost savings while providing quality services to residents.

DISCUSSION:

The Council reviewed a prototype logo of the "Bradbury Department of Trails" which could be placed on items such as T-shirts and mugs and would be available for purchase online at Café Press. The City Council decided to wait on the logo and to solicit more design options.

Councilmember Lewis suggested discussing the route and other details of the Bradbury Three Peaks Run at next month's meeting.

Resident Anne Absey wanted to know if there is anything being done other than the Finance Committee or the fiscal issues. City Manager Keith stated that the City Council does not want to expend funds on a consultant before the first meeting of the Finance Committee, which will be held on Wednesday, August 29th.

Ms Absey, who is on the Finance Committee, stated that time was a concern and how to engage the community. Ms. Absey favors a cafeteria plan with options (utility users tax, parcel tax, etc.)

Councilmember Hale agreed to keep the financial problems in front of people and to put something on the September agenda.

**MATTERS FROM THE
CITY MANAGER:**

City Manager Keith stated that the Finance Committee will meet for the first time on Wednesday, August 29 at 6 pm.

City Hall is closed on Monday, September 3, for Labor Day. City Hall will also be closed on Friday, September 7, which is a furlough day.

The General Plan Community Workshop is scheduled for Monday, September 10.

City Manager Keith stated the Annual Bradbury Appreciation Event will be held on Thursday, October 4, from 6 to 9 pm at the Congregational Ale House in Azusa. An e-vite will go out by the end of the week.

MATTERS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL:

MAYOR LATHROP:

Mayor Lathrop stated he is going to attend a joint meeting with the Duarte City Council and Duarte Unified School District to discuss the traffic on Royal Oaks Drive at Royal Oaks Elementary School. Mr. Lathrop stated that maybe the City has restricted funds it can use to mitigate the traffic problem.

Mayor Lathrop reported that the San Gabriel Valley COG voted to hire three employees from Arroyo Associates. The three employees work on (finishing up) grants and are considered temporary employees for now. Mayor Lathrop stated that he did not support the hiring of those three employees.

MAYOR PRO-TEM PYCZ:

Nothing to report.

COUNCILMEMBER BARAKAT:

Councilmember Barakat stated that he is going to attend the Personnel meeting of the LA County Sanitation Districts the next day to discuss keeping Puente Hills Landfill open. Mr. Barakat stated that he also serves of the Personnel Board for the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District, which is raising the retirement age for new employees.

Councilmember Barakat stated that the occurrence of West Nile Virus in the San Gabriel Valley is serious, but is not allowed to name cities.

COUNCILMEMBER HALE:

Nothing to report.

COUNCILMEMBER LEWIS:

Nothing to report.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

None

CLOSED SESSION:

At 8:00 p.m. the Council went into Closed Session to discuss Personnel:

- A. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957 – Evaluation of Performance. Title: Planning Services

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION AND ANNOUCE ACTION TAKEN:

The Open Session was reconvened and City Attorney Reisman stated that no formal votes were required or taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:15 p.m. Mayor Lathrop adjourned to the meeting to Tuesday, September 18, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Bradbury Civic Center.



MAYOR – CITY OF BRADBURY

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK – CITY OF BRADBURY