

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND  
MCFARLAND SUCCESSOR AGENCY  
MCFARLAND PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY  
MCFARLAND IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY  
MCFARLAND PARKING AUTHORITY**

**REGULAR MEETING– 6:00 P.M.**

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**LOCATION OF MEETING:** **McFarland Veterans Community Center  
103 W. Sherwood Ave  
McFarland, Ca 93250**

**DATE/TIME:** **May 14, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor / Chairman Manuel Cantu Jr.  
Mayor Pro Tem / Chairman Stephen McFarland  
Council Member / Boardmember Russell Coker  
Council Member / Boardmember Vidal Santillano  
Council Member / Boardmember Rafael Melendez

**REGULAR MEETING: – 6:00 P.M.**

**INVOCATION:**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:**

Mr. Amador Ayon

Lions Club Proclamation

Eric Averett- General Manager of Rosedale Rio-Bravo Water Storage District

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Council/Board members on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Council/Board members. Council/Board members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification; make a referral to staff for factual information or request staff to report back to the Council/ Board members at a later meeting.

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**SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD PRIOR TO MAKING A PRESENTATION. FIFTEEN MINUTES TOTAL TIME WILL BE ALLOWED FOR ANY ONE SUBJECT.** If your business requires time, submit your items to the City Manager for the next meeting agenda. Thank you.

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**CONSENT AGENDA/OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:**

All items listed as consent items are considered to be routine and noncontroversial by City staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the City Council or public wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the City Council or public to address the concerns of the item before action are taken.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

1. **Approval Of Warrants** – List of warrants in the amount of \$619,010.95 from April 21, 2015 through May 8, 2015 and the pre-issued payroll in the amount of \$68,352.58 for April, 2015.
2. **Approval of Minutes of Regular And / Or Special Council Meeting** – held on April 23, 2015.
3. **Amendment to the 401K Profit Sharing Plan** - Staff recommended at a pervious City Council meeting, that the funds deposited in the 401K cash holding account be distributed to the employees. In order for the trustee to distribute the funds in accordance to City policy, the 401K plan “Rules” need to be amended to reflect the same long term policy of the City. That long term policy is;

“The City does not pay benefits (retirement or medical) to part time employees”

**Attachment(s):** Staff Report, Resolution

**Recommendation(s):** Staff recommends that City Council approve the 401K Plan Resolution to amend the 401K Plan Rules.

4. **Active Transportation Project (ATP) Grant Application Submission and Adoption of Resolution** – The City of McFarland held advertised public workshops on April 16, 22, and 25, 2015 to receive comments on possible projects for the ATP grant application.

**Attachment(s):** Staff Report, Project Maps, Resolution

**Recommendation(s):** Staff recommends city council adopt the Resolution approving the application to Caltrans for grant funds from the Active Transportation Program –Cycle 2 – and designation of authorizes signatory.

5. **Award the Contract for the Streetscape /Lighting Improvement Project** to Cen-Cal Construction. This project will improve the aesthetics of the east side of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street from Kern Ave. to Lockwood Ave.

The City Clerk opened sealed bids for this project, on April 10, 2015 at 2:15 p.m. There were five (5) bids received. The three (3) lowest bids received were as follows:

| Bidder               | Base Bid Total |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Cen-Cal Construction | \$ 168,355.30  |
| JTS Construction     | \$ 169,400.00  |
| STL Landscape        | \$ 176,900.00  |

The Office of the City Engineer has reviewed and Kern County, Planning & Community Development Department has qualified the lowest bidder, Cen-Cal Construction. The City is allowing 30 working days for the contractor to complete the project.

**Attachment(s):** Staff Report, Summary, Agreement

**Recommendation(s):** Staff recommends that City Council awards the contract to Cen-Cal Construction for the base bid in the amount of \$168,355.30 and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

6. **Award of Contract to DOD Construction for the Block Wall /Fence Project** on Industrial Street. The City of McFarland desires to build a Block Wall/Fence to enclose and protect the site for future community park/playground area located at the North-West intersection of E. Sherwood and Industrial streets.

The City Clerk opened sealed bids for this project, on April 17, 2015 at 2:15 p.m. There were five (5) bids received. The three (3) lowest bids received were as follows:

| Bidder             | Base Bid Total |  |
|--------------------|----------------|--|
| DOD Construction   | \$ 345,170.00  |  |
| JTS Construction   | \$ 393,248.00  |  |
| Hobbs Construction | \$ 437,090.00  |  |

**Attachment(s):** Staff Report, Summary, Agreement

**Recommendation(s):** Staff recommends that City Council awards the contract to DOD Construction for the base bid in the amount of \$345,170.00 and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

7. **Change Order from AJ Excavation Inc. for additional road improvements to E. Sherwood Avenue** - AJ Excavation Inc., is currently under contract with the City of McFarland to complete the improvements to E. Sherwood Avenue that is being funded by the Disaster Recovery Initiative Grant (DRI). The boundaries of the DRI Grant are from Browning Road on the west and Wiley Street on the east. The proposed change order is for the portion of E. Sherwood Avenue that starts at Wiley Street and extends east to the easternmost boundary of Discovery Park.

**Attachment(s):** Staff Report, Change Order #1

**Recommendation(s):** Staff recommends the City Council approve the change order in the amount of \$85,767.00 for additional road improvements to E. Sherwood Avenue.

8. **Change Order from Hot Line Construction for the Underground project on E. Sherwood Avenue** - Hot Line is the contractor that is installing the infrastructure required by Southern California Edison that is needed to underground the overhead utility lines that are located on the south side of E. Sherwood Avenue. After work commenced, Southern California Edison required additional survey work be completed which resulted in Hot Line having to stop construction and de-mobilize their crews and equipment for two (2) days until the survey work was completed.

**Attachment(s):** Staff Report, Change Order #1

**Recommendation(s):** Staff recommends the City Council approve the change order in the amount of \$5,345.89 for remobilization.

9. **Award Contract to VC Construction for two Business Façade Program**

**Owners** - The City of McFarland desires to improve the aesthetics of West Kern Avenue to encourage new economic development investment in the city.

The City Staff solicit (3) quotes from local contractors for this project from VC Construction, Ken W Smith Construction, and Lee Martinez Construction. There were two (2) bids received as follows:

| <b>Contractors</b>        | <b>Base Quote Total</b> |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| VC Construction           | \$ 59,377.00            |
| Ken Smith Construction    | \$ 63,998.00            |
| Lee Martinez Construction | NOT RECEIVED            |

**Attachment(s):** Staff Report, Agreement, Quote Summary

**Recommendation(s):** Staff recommends that City Council awards the contract to VC Construction for the base bid in the amount of \$59,377.00 and authorize the City Manager to approve the agreement.

10. **City of McFarland Annual Levy of Assessments for Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 1**

- Adoption of A Resolution to Initiate Proceedings, Ordering the Preparation of an Engineer's Report, Preliminarily Approving the Engineer's Report, Declaring its Intention to Levy and Collect Assessments for Landscaping Lighting Assessment District No. 1., Annual Levy of assessments, and **Setting a Time and Place for a Public Hearing** - This is for the adoption of a resolution initiating proceedings for the Levy and Collection of Assessments, preliminary approval of the Engineer's Report, declaring its intention to Levy and Collect Assessments for Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District No.1, and setting a time and place for a public hearing on the Levy and Collection of Assessments. The District's Annual Levy and Collection of Assessments is for the maintenance of landscape improvements installed by the developer as a condition of approval of their development.

**Attachment(s):** Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the Levy and Collection of Assessments, preliminary approval of the Engineer's Report, declaring its intention to Levy and Collect Assessments for Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District No.1, and Setting June 11, 2015 as the Time and Place for a Public Hearing.

**Recommended Action(s):** Staff recommends McFarland City Council adopt the three Resolutions initiating proceedings for the Levy and Collection of Assessments, preliminary approval of the Engineer's Report, declaring its intention to Levy and Collect Assessments for Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District No.1.

11. **Award of Contract to Stockbridge General Contracting, Inc., for Phase 1A of Discovery Park** - The City of McFarland has received two (2) grants to assist with the design and construction of Discovery Park. The engineers estimate that was prepared for the project was approximately 8 million dollars therefore based on the available funds through the two (2) grants (3.2 million dollars) the City divided the park construction into two (2) phases.

The City, after advertising a Notice to Bidders for both phases, received four (4) bids which are as follows:

| <b>Bidder's Name</b> | <b>Phase 1A</b> | <b>Phase 1B</b> | <b>Total (Phase 1A and 1B)</b> |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| A.J.Excavation, Inc. | \$3,857,000.00  | \$1,693,000.00  | \$5,550,000.00                 |
| Todd Companies       | \$3,163,334.00  | \$1,335,038.00  | \$4,498,372.00                 |
| Stockbridge          | \$2,585,000.00  | \$1,171,000.00  | \$3,756,000.00                 |
| Griffith Company     | \$3,565,235.00  | \$1,523,900.00  | \$5,089,135.00                 |

After reviewing the bids it was determined that Stockbridge General Contracting Inc., was the lowest most responsible bid for both phases however because the total bid for both phases exceeded the available funds the City is only awarding Phase 1A at this time.

Once funding becomes available for Phase 1B, the City will award that project.

**Attachment(s):** Staff Report

**Recommendation(s):** Staff recommends the City of McFarland City Council award the contract to Stockbridge General Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$2,585,000.00 for Phase 1A of Discovery Park.

**END OF CONSENT CALENDER**

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## **PUBLIC HEARING**

None

### **12. Monthly staff report to the City Council**

- a. Administration
- b. Police Department
- c. Finance Department

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## **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:**

- 13. Report and discussion, Re: Possible vacation of a portion of 4<sup>th</sup> Place** - The City of McFarland work force has expanded in both personnel and vehicles. This increase in the number of employees and equipment has resulted in the need for City Hall to be expanded to include more office area, a conference room and additional parking. The proposed expansion to City Hall will be to the east and will include the house located at 361 W. Kern Avenue that is owned by the City. The first step in this expansion will be the vacation of 4<sup>th</sup> Place, south of W. Kern Avenue and north of the mid-block alley that is located between W. Kern Ave. and Harlow St.

**Attachment(s):** Staff Report

**Recommended Action(s):** Staff is recommending that City Council receive the staff report and provide staff with direction.

## **Correspondence**

- 14. Statement of Facts- JPA-Tri-Agency**

## **Oral Reports from City Council on Committee / Special District Meetings**

**Delano Mosquito Abatement District** (DMAD) – Councilmember Coker

**Kern County Association of Cities** (KCAC) – (Vice-President) – Councilmember Melendez

**Kern Council of Governments** (KCOG) – Mayor Cantu or Alternate Member  
Mayor Pro-Tem McFarland

**Tri-Agency:** Mayor Cantu or Alternate Member Councilmember Santillano

**Kern Economics Development Corp. (KEDC)** – Mr. John Wooner, City Manager

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**MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS STATEMENTS:**

**On their own initiative, Council members may make a brief announcement or a brief report on their own activities. In addition, Council members may ask a question of staff or the public for clarification on any matter, provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information. Or request staff to report back to the City Council at a later meeting concerning any matter. Furthermore, the City Council, or any member thereof, may take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.**

**CLOSED SESSION:**

1. Approval of the April 23, 2015 closed session minutes.
2. Conference with real property negotiator (city manager) regarding price and terms of payment for real property located at APNs 060-030-07, 201-120-19 per Government Code Section 54956.8.

**ADJOURNMENT**