

Upon notice duly given under Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431, et seq., as amended, the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held a Special Meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2020, in the Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Blvd., Bullhead City, Arizona.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brady called the special meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Present

Brady, Bruck, Clark (via telephone), D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann

Council Absent

None

Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Absent

CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery

DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Debie Ogden

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Rudy Vera

HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR: Jeff Tipton

DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

1. **WAIVER MOTION:** Motion to waive the reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for adoption at this meeting.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Wegmann made a motion to waive the reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for adoption at this meeting. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. **PUBLIC HEARING.** Discussion and possible action in accordance with A.R.S. § 42-17104. Now is the time for any taxpayer to appear and be heard in favor of or against any of the proposed expenditures before the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Final Budget for the City of Bullhead City, Arizona, is adopted. (Finance Director Vera)

Human Services Tipton said numerous public meetings regarding the proposed budget had been held with the City Council and staff. He said the City Council adopted a tentative budget on June 2, 2020, and said no additional changes were made since that time.

Mayor Brady opened the public hearing.

Gene Quitmeyer said the city had a \$93 million budget and said the City Manager made \$70,000 more than the Governor. He said he thought many line items were undefined and not disclosed. He said the city was getting into much debt.

Scotty McClure requested that the Police Department be fully funded.

Having no one else requesting to speak, Mayor Brady closed the public hearing.

3. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 2020R-25, adopting the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the City of Bullhead City, Arizona. (Finance Director Vera)

MOTION: Council Member Bruck made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2020R-25, adopting the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the City of Bullhead City, Arizona. Council Member Shutts seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

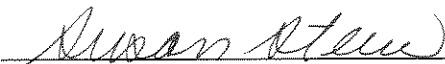
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brady declared the special meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct record of the special meeting of the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held on the 16th day of June 2020. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 7th day of July 2020.


Susan Stein, MMC, CPM
City Clerk

Upon notice duly given under Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431, et seq., as amended, the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2020, in the City Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Boulevard, Bullhead City, Arizona.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Brady called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m. and invited Vice Mayor Wegmann to deliver the invocation. Mayor Brady led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Council Present

Brady, Bruck, Clark (via telephone), D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann

Council Absent

None

Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Absent

CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery

DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Debie Ogden

POLICE CHIEF: Brian Williamson (via Zoom conference)

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Rudy Vera (via Zoom conference)

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Angie Johnson (via Zoom conference)

HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR: Jeff Tipton

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR: Saritti Chooniyom (Via Zoom conference)

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None

OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Brady opened the call to the public.

Pamela Smith thanked the city for the beautiful remodeling work performed at the American Legion building and the new bathrooms.

Harvey Pryor said the city changed the lighting color on the American flagpole to blue in support of first responders. He suggested using a better lighting system to illuminate the flag.

Sue Demarco said she represented Saving Animals In Need Together (S.A.I.N.T.) and said they were in need of medical funding in order to pay 50 percent of the cost of spay or neutering and the savings lives program. She said she hoped a business would become their new medical sponsor. She said it would be nice if fireworks would go away from the city's neighborhoods.

Eva Corbett said she had requested information from the Animal Shelter and had not received it yet.

Scotty McClure said political signs were now erected in the city. He said some of the signs were placed in the median near the MALC school and should be moved as they were a hazard. He said he would like more communication for those without access to the internet or a computer. He said EPCOR utility payments should be placed into a separate city fund.

Having no one else present wishing to speak, Mayor Brady closed the call to the public.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

None

WAIVER MOTION

MOTION: Vice Mayor Wegmann made a motion to waive the reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for adoption at this meeting. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

MANAGER'S REPORT

1. COVID-19

- Nursing homes and assisted living facilities
- Federal financial assistance

Human Services Director Tipton said the city hired a liaison to assist with the COVID-19 pandemic in the city and said that person was performing fact finding, communicating on a daily basis with medical facilities, and making sure the facilities had personal protective equipment. He said city staff met each day for updates. He said the COVID numbers were increasing city and county-wide.

2. Census 2020

Human Services Director Tipton said the city was currently at a 54 percent response rate. He said the federal government planned to have census representatives go door to door as of August 11th.

3. Street Project Updates

Human Services Director Tipton said the Corwin Road traffic signal project was complete; the Bullhead Parkway extension to the second bridge was 50 percent complete; the street maintenance program was completed on June 8th for the season; street slurry work would begin the first week in September; and pavement striping on the Bullhead Parkway had been completed.

4. Caddisfly Program Update

Michael Cavallaro, Pest Abatement Manager, said caddisflies emerged in April. He said he was using two trapping methods for the insects in order to study their patterns and create a database. He said Arizona Game and Fish stocked 22,000 rainbow trout that ate caddisflies. He said the pheromone project looked at female compounds that attracted females and said it had been determined that pheromone traps would not be effective in killing the flies. He said they were working on a protocol to test environmentally safe pesticides that could be applied to the fronts of

riverfront properties. He said he had installed different bug zappers and was conducting tests to collect data on the various types of equipment.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS

Vice Mayor Wegmann said the Bullhead Area Chamber of Commerce was becoming more active with ribbon cuttings and mixers. She encouraged the public to support local businesses.

Mayor Brady said the filing date for EPCOR's new rate case application was yesterday. He said the document had 1,600 plus pages that could be viewed online.

ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Bruck made a motion that Items No. 1 and 2 on the Consent Agenda be approved in accordance with the reports, certifications and recommendations furnished each Council Member and without further discussion. Council Member Shutts seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

Items on the Consent Agenda were approved as follows:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on June 2, 2020. (City Clerk Stein)
2. Adoption of Resolution No. 2020R-26 appointing and directing the City Finance Director as its designated applicant agent with DEMA for all COVID-19 grant applications and funds receipt on behalf of the city. (Finance Director Vera)

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

3. Discussion and possible action to appoint citizens to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission to fill 2-year terms beginning on July 1, 2020, and expiring on June 30, 2022. (City Clerk Stein)

Deputy City Clerk Ogden said the positions were advertised to the general public in the newspaper, through social media, and the city's website. She said there were four applicants to fill four positions.

Norma Brummett and Chris Maurer expressed their interest in being re-appointed.

Gary Genovese, a Bullhead City resident, said he was a long-time resident and wanted to serve the community.

MOTION: Council Member Shutts made a motion to appoint Norma Brummett, Gary Genovese, Chris Maurer, and Thomas Pesek to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission to fill 2-year terms beginning on July 1, 2020, and expiring on June 30, 2022. Vice Member Wegmann seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

4. Discussion and possible action to appoint citizens to serve on the Parks and Recreation Commission to fill 2-year terms beginning on July 1, 2020 and expiring on June 30, 2022. (City Clerk Stein)

Deputy City Clerk Ogden said there were three applicants to fill three positions.

Craig Cox and Terry Shurte expressed their interest in being re-appointed.

Alicia Bell expressed her interest in serving on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Wegmann made a motion to appoint Alicia Bell, Craig Cox, and Terry Shurte to serve on the Parks and Recreation Commission to fill 2-year terms beginning on July 1, 2020 and expiring on June 30, 2022. Council Member Shutts seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

5. Discussion and possible action to appoint citizens to serve on the Board of Adjustment to fill 2-year terms beginning on July 1, 2020 and expiring on June 30, 2022. (City Clerk Stein)

Deputy City Clerk Ogden said there were two applicants to fill two positions. She said Raymond Perez and Thomas Pesek had expressed interest in being-re-appointed to the Board of Adjustment.

MOTION: Council Member Shutts made a motion to appoint Raymond Perez and Thomas Pesek to serve on the Board of Adjustment to fill 2-year terms beginning on July 1, 2020 and expiring on June 30, 2022. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D’Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
 ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

6. Discussion and possible action to appoint a citizen to serve on the Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board to fill a citizen-at-large position for a four-year term beginning on July 1, 2020 and expiring on June 30, 2024. (City Clerk Stein)

Deputy City Clerk Ogden said the position was advertised to the general public. She said Paul Bull had expressed his interest in being re-appointed, and said no additional applications were received by the City Clerk’s office.

MOTION: **Council Member Shutts made a motion to appoint Paul Bull to serve on the Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board to fill a citizen-at-large position for a four-year term beginning on July 1, 2020 and expiring on June 30, 2024. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.**

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D’Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
 ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

None

ACTION ITEMS

Building, Planning and Zoning Items

None

Bid Awards, Contracts, Intergovernmental Agreement, and Purchases

7. Discussion and possible action to approve the State of Arizona Office of the Governor AZCares Fund Program grant agreement; ratify the City Manager’s signature on the agreement; direct all other necessary actions to process receipt and disbursement of and required reporting of the grants funds. (City Manager Cotter)

Human Services Director Tipton said this item would ratify the federal funding agreement that was approved through the Coronavirus Relief Fund for the State of Arizona. He said the amounts distributed were based on population, which amounted to \$4.6 million for Bullhead City. He said no matches or repayments were required.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Royanne Ortiz asked if the funds could be spent in other areas and if there was a timeline when the funds had to be spent.

Mayor Brady said the state had confirmed that the city could supplement the Police Department payroll, and said the funds would help defray the city's additional costs. He said any funds received from the FEMA program would need to be justified through the state.

MOTION: Council Member Ring made a motion to approve the State of Arizona Office of the Governor AZCares Fund Program grant agreement; ratify the City Manager's signature on the agreement; direct all other necessary actions to process receipt and disbursement of and required reporting of the grants funds. Vice Mayor Wegmann seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

8. Discussion and possible action to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Bullhead City and Catholic Charities Community Services in support of the Legacy Foundation Christine Stamper Center for Help & Hope, effective July 1, 2020, for one year; and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the city and to take all actions necessary to effectuate the intent of the agreement. (City Manager Cotter)

Human Services Director Tipton said this agreement would contribute \$40,000 to Catholic Charities to help address the homelessness conditions in the community. He said the city's new homeless shelter would address the need for beds and food on a temporary basis; provide aid for medical and mental health issues; employment; and a bridge to more permanent housing. He said the new center would open in July 2020.

Cathy Peterson, Director for the Center for Help & Hope, said they would begin moving families into the center and supplying meals in July. She thanked the Council for their support. She said they knew this was a big task and they were up to it. She said they invited organizations to the center that were feeding people in the parks, and said they were looking for volunteers.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Barbara Pape asked if there was a limit to the number of days a person could stay at the center.

Ms. Peterson said they would like to see people staying less than 30 days, and said people would also be engaged with outside services to assist in providing permanent housing.

Royanne Ortiz asked if provisions were made for the animals of the homeless.

Ms. Peterson said they recognized that this was a challenge and would look at this issue in Phase 2.

Scotty McClure said Mohave, Yavapai, and Coconino Counties would be transporting people to the Bullhead City homeless center. He said he wanted to help the local homeless people first.

MOTION: Council Member Shutts made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Bullhead City and Catholic Charities Community Services in support of the Legacy Foundation Christine Stamper Center for Help & Hope, effective July 1, 2020, for one year; and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the city and to take all actions necessary to effectuate the intent of the agreement. Vice Mayor Wegmann seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

9. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 2020R-27 approving the Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Arizona and the City of Bullhead City for minor surface maintenance work on State Route 95 within Bullhead City. (Interim Public Works Director Johnson)

Interim Public Works Director Johnson said the agreement would allow the city to perform minor surface maintenance on portions of Highway 95. She said sometimes the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) could not respond in a timely manner and said the city was willing to perform those interim services. She said ADOT would reimburse the city up to \$100,000 annually for this type of work.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak. No one from the public spoke.

Mayor Brady said he was pleased to finally have an agreement with ADOT that would reimburse the city for routine maintenance work on Highway 95.

MOTION: Council Member Ring made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2020R-27 approving the Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Arizona and the City of Bullhead City for minor surface maintenance work on State Route 95 within Bullhead City. Council Member D'Amico seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

10. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of Praestol K 148 L and Praestol K 274 FLX Polymer from Solenis LLC for use at both Section 10 and Section 18 Wastewater Treatment Plants in an amount not to exceed \$52,600.00 for fiscal year 2020-2021, and authorize the City Manager to approve resultant payments. (Interim Public Works Director Johnson)

Interim Public Works Director Johnson said that polymer was used in the sludge presses. She said they completed several jar tests and determined that this polymer was the most effective on the

sludge produced. She said the material would be used on an as-needed basis, and the provider was sole source.

Mayor Brady asked about the jar testing.

Utilities Superintendent Wileman said tests were conducted about three years ago. He said the press manufacturer recommended the material as it was the most cost effective and the most efficient.

Mayor Brady asked if the newer polymers were tested.

Utilities Superintendent Wileman said certain polymers affected the membranes and said they wanted to maintain usage of this product as they knew it was safe.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Royanne Ortiz said this was a sole source product, and said it was not documented correctly. She said they needed a published price list from the manufacturer.

Eva Corbett asked if the purchase was included in the budget.

Interim Public Works Director Johnson confirmed that the amount was included in the budget.

Council Member Clark said the polymers were used to de-water materials left over from the waste. He said the more water they could use at the plant, the less money it cost the city on the back end at the landfill.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Wegmann made a motion to approve the purchase of Praestol K 148 L and Praestol K 274 FLX Polymer from Solenis LLC for use at both Section 10 and Section 18 Wastewater Treatment Plants in an amount not to exceed \$52,600.00 for fiscal year 2020-2021, and authorize the City Manager to approve resultant payments. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

11. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of Hypochlorite Solution (Bleach) from Hill Brothers Chemical Co. for use at both Section 10 and Section 18 Wastewater Treatment Plants in an amount not to exceed \$62,100.00 for fiscal year 2020-2021, and authorize the City Manager to approve resultant payments. (Interim Public Works Director Johnson)

Interim Public Works Director Johnson said this purchase was included in the budget. She said the bleach was used to control algae at the treatment plants. She said they went to bid in 2018 with a two to three-year renewal option, and said the supplier was the low bidder. She said the cost had not changed since that time.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Gene Quitmeyer said there were no statistics to show that bleach was necessary. He said the price for the bleach was too high. He requested that this item to be tabled in order to conduct more research.

Barbara Pape said she agreed with Mr. Quitmeyer.

Utilities Superintendent Wileman said the bleach was an industrial strength product required by the state. He said they would re-bid the product next year to lock in the best price for another three years.

MOTION: Council Member Bruck made a motion to approve the purchase of Hypochlorite Solution (Bleach) from Hill Brothers Chemical Co. for use at both Section 10 and Section 18 Wastewater Treatment Plants in an amount not to exceed \$62,100.00 for fiscal year 2020-2021, and authorize the City Manager to approve resultant payments. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

12. Discussion and possible action to approve expenses incurred from the disposal of sludge to the Mohave County Landfill in an amount not to exceed \$137,500.00 for fiscal year 2021; and to authorize the City Manager to approve resultant payments. (Interim Public Works Director Johnson)

Interim Public Works Director Johnson said this was a budgeted item. She said the landfill was the most cost effective location to dispose of the solid waste.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Gene Quitmeyer said bio remediation could neutralize any caustic material. He said willing people with knowledge should be handling this and not getting kickbacks.

Utilities Superintendent Wileman said they worked with the state and county, and said the only place that would allow disposal of the solid waste was the county landfill.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Wegmann made a motion to approve expenses incurred from the disposal of sludge to the Mohave County Landfill in an amount not to exceed \$137,500.00 for fiscal year 2021; and to authorize the City Manager to approve resultant payments. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

13. Discussion and possible action to approve the Ninth Amendment to the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Bullhead City and the Boys and Girls Club of the Colorado River in the amount of \$50,000.00 for fiscal year 2020-2021, and authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment on behalf of the city. (City Manager Cotter)

Human Services Director Tipton said the current amendment would extend the agreement for an additional year and provide a contribution of \$50,000 to the Boys and Girls Club.

MOTION: Council Member Ring made a motion to approve the Ninth Amendment to the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Bullhead City and the Boys and Girls Club of the Colorado River in the amount of \$50,000.00 for fiscal year 2020-2021, and authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment on behalf of the city. Vice Mayor Wegmann seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

14. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 2020R-28 renewing the City of Bullhead City's membership in the Northwest Arizona Employee Benefit Trust (NAEBT) with the cities of Kingman and Lake Havasu; and the Lake Havasu Unified School District. (City Manager Cotter)

Human Services Director Tipton said the concept of NAEBT was brought forward through the collaborative efforts of the cities of Kingman, Lake Havasu City, and Bullhead City in 2012. He said in January of this year, NAEBT approved the membership of the Lake Havasu City Unified School District which would add 823 covered members. He said the district's initial membership would be for a three-year period, and said the trust members voted unanimously for a five-year renewal of membership for Bullhead City, Kingman, and Lake Havasu City.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak. No one from the public spoke.

MOTION: Council Member Bruck made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2020R-28 renewing the City of Bullhead City's membership in the Northwest Arizona Employee Benefit Trust with the cities of Kingman and Lake Havasu; and the Lake Havasu Unified School District. Vice Mayor Wegmann seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business

15. Discussion and possible action to designate a Council Member to serve as Vice Mayor for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. (City Clerk Stein)

Deputy City Clerk Ogden said the City Code defined a process for designating a member of the Bullhead City Council to serve as Vice Mayor as of July 1st of each year. She said the Vice Mayor shall perform the duties of the Mayor during his/her absence or disability.

MOTION: Council Member Ring made a motion to designate Council Member Steve D'Amico to serve as Vice Mayor for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Mayor Brady seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

16. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 2020R-29 authorizing the submittal of a matching grant application for the purchase of bulletproof vests; and authorizing Chief Williamson to accept the grant and sign all resulting documentation. (Police Chief Williamson)

Police Chief Williamson said this grant would cover 50 percent of the city's cost of providing bulletproof vest for officers. He said they planned to purchase 20 vests this year for a total cost of \$16,000, and said \$8,000 would be reimbursed through this grant.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Wegmann made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2020R-29 authorizing the submittal of a matching grant application for the purchase of bulletproof vests; and authorizing Chief Williamson to accept the grant and sign all resulting documentation. Council Member Clark seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

17. Discussion and possible action to approve: 1) adoption of Resolution No. 2020R-30 authorizing the submission of an application to the Arizona Department of Housing Community Development Block Grant State Special Project Grant Funds; 2) the Western Arizona Council of Governments Services Contract for assistance in the implementation of the State Special Project Grant in the total amount of \$57,750.00; and 3) the Housing Rehabilitation Program Guidelines dated June 16, 2020 in substantial form as presented. (Human Services Director Tipton)

Human Services Director Tipton said is a request for authorization of the submission of a grant application to the Arizona Department of Housing from Community Development Block Grant State Special Project Grant Funds. He said the City of Bullhead City is eligible for these funds and the money could be used for emergency repairs and minor rehabilitation projects. He said this grant allowed up to \$15,000 to perform emergency repairs for low to very low income homeowners who were faced with substandard living conditions, such as air conditioning, plumbing, electricity, roofing, or accessibility accommodations. He said this was a competitive grant in which the city can apply for and receive \$500,000 over a two-year time period for construction and administration of the funds. He said the funding would allow the city to provide a more comprehensive and efficient

housing program for its low and very low income homeowners. He said concurrent housekeeping items were also submitted for a consultant contract for implementation of the grant when it is granted, and an updated version of the city's Housing Rehabilitation Guidelines that covered minor and moderate rehabilitation grants for the future. He said the Grant Committee had reviewed and approved this item, and said there was no match required from the city. He said Grant Consultant Denise Bishop was available via telephone if the Council had any questions.

Mayor Brady asked Ms. Bishop if she wanted to speak on this item. Ms. Bishop said she felt this was an excellent opportunity to fill in the gaps in Bullhead City's current housing program. She said it would allow the city to assist people who needed minor and emergency repairs and take them off the current waiting list.

Mayor Brady said if the city was successful in getting this grant; it would be one of the best things to happen to our low income residents in years. He said the city currently had a program to help low income residents, but it came with many strings attached. He said this grant appeared to be much more efficient and would help more people with immediate housing needs. He said they no longer would have to bring an entire home up to code just to repair someone's air conditioner or roof. He said under this grant, they could attack the immediate need, and said there were many people in the city that have immediate need. He said he hoped and prayed that the city was successful in getting this grant.

Council Member Bruck asked about the current wait list. Mayor Brady said they had not started a waiting list. He said he believed they might be able to help some of the people that are currently on the HOME Grant waiting list that exceeded the \$30,000 level. He said under the current grant, if someone only needed an air conditioner, they would have to inspect the entire house and bring it up to code before they could fix the air conditioning. He said if the repairs exceeded \$30,000, they would no longer be eligible and have to go without air conditioning. He said this grant will not do that. He said they could probably go back to their current waiting list and help those residents who did not qualify under the previous grant guidelines.

Human Services Director Tipton said this was the best grant that he has seen that would target isolated home repair items. He said if they are in a home and see a real need, they could go back and use the HOME Grant funds to make additional repairs when the funds were available.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak. No one from the public spoke.

MOTION: Council Member Shutts made a motion to approve: 1) adoption of Resolution No. 2020R-30 authorizing the submission of an application to the Arizona Department of Housing Community Development Block Grant State Special Project Grant Funds; 2) the Western Arizona Council of Governments' Services Contract for assistance in the implementation of the State Special Project Grant in the total amount of \$57,750.00; and 3) the Housing Rehabilitation Program Guidelines dated June 16, 2020 in substantial form as presented. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL REQUESTED ITEMS

None

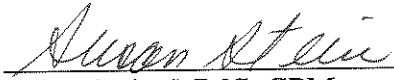
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct record of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held on the 16th day of June 2020. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 7th day of July 2020.



Susan Stein, MMC, CPM
City Clerk