MARCH 22, 2017 - CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MEETING

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Ching called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: M/Ching, C/Pacheco, C/Rodriguez

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: MPT/Su, C/Tragarz

Also present were City Manager Wishner; Administrative Services Director Ogawa; Community Development Director Weiner; City Attorney Leibold; Associate Planner Vasquez; City Planner Carlson; Interim Finance Officer Cortez; and City Clerk De Dios.

The Mayor requested for the meeting to be moved to the Council Chambers due to the high number of attendees.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

M/Ching moved the meeting from the Planning Conference Room to the Council Chambers due to the amount of members of the public that were present. He also mentioned that the items on the agenda will be taken out of order beginning with the presentation on the Motion Activated Cameras.

• Motion Activated Cameras

ASD/Ogawa provided background information on the license plate cameras pilot program and the successes of it in the City of LaFayette. She explained that staff is looking to place ten (10) cameras throughout the City near public streets and outlets on trees or light poles. The estimated cost for this program is \$10,000, which includes the cameras, memory cards, rechargeable batteries, security enclosures, swivel mounts, and locks. In addition, staff resources will be need for the installation as well as the exchange of memory cards on a weekly basis. In case of an incident the City may release the memory card to the Sheriff's Department for their investigations. If there is no need for the date, the card may be erased and reused.

C/Rodriguez expressed his support of the program and inquired on the locations.

ASD/Ogawa responded that sites and locations would not be disclosed to the public and that the Captain of the Sheriff's Department would determine where they would best be located.

C/Pacheco inquired on the preparation of this program and mentioned that SB34 requires agencies to publish privacy and policies; he would like to make sure that the City is in compliance

CA/Leibold responded that the law specifically applies to stationary cameras.

Captain Reyes of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department said he would consult with his technical services division with regards to the policies relating to the cameras and similar devices.

In response to M/Ching's inquiry, ASD/Ogawa responded that the cameras are property of the City; if there is an incident the City will surrender the memory card to the Sheriff's Department.

Captain Reyes explained that this type of program can assist law enforcement in incidents involving burglaries and similar crimes.

M/Ching explained that the motion sensor cameras will take a picture of passing vehicles and capture the license plate.

M/Ching invited the public to make comments on the program at this time.

Members of the public commented on C/Pacheco's concerns regarding the project

Members of the public commented on C/Pacheco's concerns regarding the project, where the signage for cameras would be installed, the timeline for placing the cameras, why only ten cameras throughout the City and the type of memory card to be used. All speakers were in support of the program for public safety.

M/Ching explained that the concerns raised by C/Pacheco related to being in compliance with the laws.

ASD/Ogawa explained that the Captain will be evaluating the areas throughout the City where there has been a high level of activity. The idea is to place signage to bring awareness that the City does have cameras, but not revealing the location of them. The program may take a period of three months to begin implementation of the program.

C/Pacheco stated that he is supportive of the program, but wants to make sure that the City is in compliance with the laws.

M/Ching responded that this program was not budgeted, but the City has been responsible in allocating resources as needed for public safety. He also explained on the several types of technology.

C/Rodriguez requested this item to be brought back to Council for consideration on an agenda.

• Accessory Dwelling Units

CA/Leibold explained that the item relating to accessory dwelling units will be rescheduled to the April 12th Study Session.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

There being no further input, it was the consensus of the City Council to close oral communications. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 10th day of May, 2017.

ATTEST:	Eric Ching, Mayor	
Teresa De Dios, City Clerk		