Minutes CAC

2/4/15

Chairman Luke Feldstein called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

Members Present: Tom Gordon, Kris Bruce, Norbert Duarte, Cynthia Sarkesian, Joe Eiben, Luke Feldstein, Sean Mulhair, Suzanne Monroe, Michael Parks, Don Wright, Betty McNutt

Members Absent: Faye Zeeb, Lydia Hense

Public: Chairman Feldstein recognized Bill Huott who thanked everyone on the Committee and those on the City staff for their help with the North Visalia Community Advisory Committee and for their continued support. He mentioned the absence of gang activity and homicides in North Visalia as indications that the NVCAC has been effective in the past. Mr. Huott noted the need for pocket parks in all areas of North Visalia and asked for CAC assistance in exploring this need.

Minutes: Motion by Norbert to accept the minutes of 1/4/15 Minutes as presented; second by Joe Eiben; motion passed

Committee Nominations: The CAC received a Memo from the Transit Advisory Committee recommending that Cheri Provancha be appointed to the committee. Member Don Wright expressed discomfort with the current procedure of the CAC reviewing and approving recommendations without having met or interviewed the applicants themselves. Discussion followed. Eric is to speak to the City Clerk to see if she can explain what the Council's thought were in having the CAC review the applications. He will calendar time on the March Agenda for further discussion. Joe Eiben made a motion that we accept the recommendation of the Transit Advisory Committee, Second Suzanne Monroe. Motion carried.

The following were submitted as potential members of the North Visalia Advisory Committee: Rueben Rodriquez, Ester Mirador, and Bob Ludekins. There was discussion of each nominee's ties to the Oval. A motion was made by Tom Gordon, second by Joe Eiben that we accept these three as recommended. Motion passed.

The CAC itself has openings for one full voting member and four alternates. The Committee interviewed two (2) interested persons; Susan Renteria and Yolanda Canizales. The two being considered preferred to leave the room while the Committee dismissed their appointment. Tom Gordon suggested that since both would be great CAC members that we ask both of them to serve as alternates until a second full time position opens up and then recommending that both move up at the same time. Norbert Duarte made a motion to this effect, 2nd Sean Mulhair, motion carried.

A brief discussion on the City Sales Tax followed. Due to previous agenda items taking so much time and the many questions that came up on the Sales tax issue it was decided to table the issue for further discussion the next meeting.

Sub-Committee reports: <u>POS</u> – Chair Kris Bruce suggested that the Survey be scheduled for the end of April. <u>Non-Profit Funding</u> – Chair Suzanne Monroe reported that the sub-committee would be refining and redoing the application and would bring it to the full committee before sending it to the Council for

approval. <u>CDBG</u> – Chair Betty McNutt reported that the sub-committee had had several failed attempts to meet because of a lack of quorum. Eric said he would call Rhonda Haynes and see what could be done to get thing back on track and moving.

Roundtable: Norbert Duarte mentioned that the idea of pocket parks in North Visalia had real merit and would like to see the CAC look into the issue. Cynthia Sarkesian mentioned the many road closures in the City, Tom Gordon expressed concern with the "browning" of the City and the fact that City, particularly the Golf Course and the Medical Clinic continue to water. Don Wright noted that the City hotline did not have an option for shopping carts and requested a new membership roster. Suzanne wanted to thank the City for everything it does. Sean Mulhair mentioned the lack of Doctors in the City who will treat for Valley Fever.

There being no further business Chair Luke Feldstein adjourned the meeting at 7:32 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by

Betty McNutt for Secretary Lydia Hense