

CITY OF SOMERTON  
**MINUTES**  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL

7:00 P.M.

Tuesday October 18, 2011

Council Members:

Staff:

M. Porchas, Mayor	(P)	Bill Lee, City Manager	(P)
A. Magana, Vice-Mayor	(P)	Louie Galaviz, Park & Rec Dir	(P)
J. Yopez	(P)	B. Cotman, Chief of Police	(P)
G. Anaya	(P)	S. Palacios, Interim Public Works Dir	(P)
M. Villalpando	(P)	G.W. Hunt, City Attorney	(P)
L. Ramirez	(P)	M. Figueroa, City Magistrate	(A)
L. Galindo	(P)	D. Bradley, Admin. Svcs. Dir	(P)
		C. Juarez, Interim Com. Dev. Dir	(P)
		P. De Anda, Fire Chief	(A)

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Mayor Martin Porchas called meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

All members of the Council were present.

**Call to the Public:**

None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

All matters listed here are considered to be routine by the City council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be remove from the CONSENT AGENDA and will be considered separately.

1. Minutes for Regular Council Meeting of October 04, 2011.
2. Cash Register for September 2011.
3. Bank Reconciliation for September 2011.
4. Arizona's State Treasure's Report (LGIP) for September 2011.

Mayor Porchas entered a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilman L. Galindo moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilwoman Ramirez seconded the motion. Councilman J. Yopez abstained to vote on item no. 2 Cash Register. Motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

*All items are for discussion and possible action.*

1. **ORDINANCE 2011-012** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOMERTON, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 2008-010 AND REZONING CERTAIN AREAS IN THE CITY FOR REAL PROPERTY AFTER ANNEXATION (ANX01-11) TO THE CITY OF SOMERTON DESCRIBED HEREIN AS THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 23 WEST OF GILA AND SALT RIVER BASE AND MERIDIAN, YUMA COUNTY, ARIZONA AND MORE PARTICULARLY DISCRIBED ON EXHIBIT A, ATTACHED HERE TO, AND AMENDING THE ZONING MAP HERETO

- a) Second Reading by Title Only
- b) Approval of Ordinance

Mayor M. Porchas entertained a motion to approve Ordinance 2011-012, Second Reading by Title Only. Councilmen M. Villalpando moved to approved Ordinance. Councilman J. Yepez seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Mayor M. Porchas entertained a motion to approve Ordinance 2011-012. Councilman J. Yepez moved to approve ordinance 2011-012 Councilwoman L. Ramirez seconded the motion. All voted in favor, Motion passed.

**Berry Olsen** Attorney for Jessy Oropeza from Fresh Innovation assist to the meeting to thanks the City Staff and Council Member on assisting them with the effort on the annexation and rezoning of the County 16<sup>th</sup> Street, they mentioned that now they are in the position to buy this property, and be able to use this facility for their operations.

**Berry Olsen-** Mentioned that the staff did a great job, also mentioned that was a pleasant experience work with people that was always ready to help.

**Mayor M. Porchas-** Thanked them for their comments

2. **ORDINANCE 2011-013** AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL, AMENDING SECTION 3.3.C TEMPORATY BUILDING AND USES REQUIRING PERMITS; 5.0.E AGRICULTURAL ZONING DISTRICTS (AG-5), A-10, AG-20) CONDITIONAL USES AND 16.0 SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS. OF THE SOMERTON ZONING ORDINANCE; AND SEVERABILITY.

- a) Second Reading by Title Only
- b) Approval of Ordinance

**Carmen Juarez-** read Ordinance 2011-013 by title only and mentioned to Council that she reworted item no. 7 as they recommended.

Mayor M. Porchas entertained a motion to approved Ordinance 2011-013. Second Reading by Title Only. Councilman M.Villalpando moved to approved Ordinance 2011-013. Councilwoman L. Ramires seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Mayor M. Porchas entertained a motion to approved Ordinance 2011-13. Councilman J. Yopez moved to approved ordinance 2011-13. Councilwoman L. Ramirez seconded the motion. All voted in favor, Motion passed.

### 3. City Sales Tax, Status of General Fund.

**Doug Bradley**-explained council member how City Sales Tax is right now, he also mentioned that Council Members will be receiving this information monthly.

### NEW BUSINESS

*All items are for discussion and possible action.*

1. Presentation by Yuma Community Food Bank on programs that they currently operate and programs that assist many of the citizens here in Somerton.

**Jody Hasty**- from Yuma Community Bank- Gave a presentation on the process and activities of the programs they have.

**Jody Hasty**- Mentioned that YCFB is been serving customer for over 33 years now.

**Jody Hasty**- Mentioned that last year they distributed over 12 million pound of food in one year, also that they have 15 emergency food and supplements programs.

**Jody Hasty** - Mentioned that there is an income criteria to qualify for this program, also that they work directly with the schools to indentify witch students may need this help.

**Jody Hasty**-Mentioned that will be a good idea has a building here in Somerton as an agency where they can drop off the food more often at that location also have people who can take care of all the process on the distribution of the food.

**Bill Lee-** Mentioned that when she is available send him an e-mail and they can meet at the Senior Center to talk about it.

**Jody Hasty-** Mentioned that the way they make this possible is base on different donations, by grants, fun raisings and volunteers.

**Mayor M. Porchas-** Asked if they can bring this program to a festival to Somerton.

## 2. City of Somerton Social Media Policy

This policy would give directions to staff and representatives of the City on how this can be presented to the public.

**Louie Galaviz-** Mentioned that the Social Media Policy will give directions to city staff on how to present this to the public.

**Louie Galaviz-** Mentioned that he is working with department's heads to designate one person from each department to post, and update information on facebook and twitter.

**Louie Galaviz-** Mentioned that this is a great device of information on which we can advertise events, and he would like to start this Social Media as soon as is approved.

**Bill Lee-** Mentioned that if something out of the normal come across City staff will be advising Council Member.

Mayor M. Porchas entertained a motion to approved City of Somerton Social Media Policy. Councilman M.Villalpando moved to approved City of Somerton Social Media Policy. Councilman G. Anaya seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

