

MINUTES – MORRO BAY CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION MEETING –  
NOVEMBER 19, 2013  
VETERAN’S MEMORIAL BUILDING – 4:30 P.M.

PRESENT:	Jamie Irons	Mayor
	Christine Johnson	Councilmember
	Nancy Johnson	Councilmember
	George Leage	Councilmember
	Noah Smukler	Councilmember
STAFF:	Andrea Lueker	City Manager
	Anne Russell	Interim City Attorney
	Jamie Boucher	City Clerk
	Amy Christey	Police Chief
	Susan Slayton	Administrative Services Director
	Eric Endersby	Harbor Director

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

SUMMARY OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS - The Mayor read a summary of the Closed Session items.

Mayor Irons stated that CS-3 would not be heard this evening as it is not ready to be discussed and will be continued.

CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS - Mayor Irons opened the meeting for Public Comment.

Carla Wixom wanted to take the opportunity to let people know City Manager Andrea Lueker’s accomplishments over the years: created cohesive top notch department head team; obtained millions of dollars in grants; part of bringing the Fire Station, Teen Center, Harborwalk, Round-a-Bout, etc. under her watch; worked with unions towards pension reform; consolidation of departments; created a community quota fishing non-profit group; reinstated the goal setting process; and helped create the Community Foundation. She then thanked Andrea for her service; she’s sorry to see her getting repaid in this way.

Janice Peters stated that reference has been made by the Mayor’s supporters to the “good ole boys club” yet those Councils, diverse as they were, accomplished some wonderful things for the City. This Council, regarding the City Manager and City Attorney, despite a negative response from the citizens are continuing on with their plan possibly feeling that the emotions have diminished as less and less people are attending meetings. Not true, people aren’t here not because they don’t care but because the Council majority is set on this vendetta, despite the cost both financial and emotional to this community. In August, 2012 she published an opinion piece warning that any new location for the sewer plant would potentially double the costs of the sewer bills. Mayor-elect Irons responded to this piece by stating that this viewpoint is fear based, inaccurate and divisive to the community. She submits that with Council’s actions, this is exactly what is going on right now.

Hank Roth stated that the Council is wrong in what they are doing; and they have been ignoring the people. The opposition here is nothing compared to what we have gotten from the Surfriders Foundation or the Outfall Group in previous years. He understands there are different views which are okay but to spend \$20,000 to accomplish nothing is wrong.

The public comment period was closed.

The City Council moved to Closed Session and heard the following items:

**CS-1 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8 - PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS:**

Instructing City's real property negotiator regarding the price and terms of payment for the purchase, sale, exchange, or lease of real property as to one parcel.

- Property: 307 Morro Bay Blvd.
- Negotiating Parties: Ford-Durrer, dba Grandma's Frozen Yogurt & Waffle Shop and City of Morro Bay
- Negotiations: Lease Terms and Conditions

**CS-2 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(2) – CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:** Exposure to litigation exists based upon existing facts and the legal advice of legal counsel as to one matter.

- Kevin Rice, Public Records Request

**CS-3 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957(b) - PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/ DISMISSAL/RELEASE/TERMINATION OF CONTRACT:**

Title: City Manager

**CS-4 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957(b)(1) – PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT:**

Title: City Attorney and City Manager

CITY COUNCIL CONVENED TO OPEN SESSION – The City Council convened to open session; Interim City Attorney Anne Russell reported that with regards to the items heard in Closed Session, no reportable action under the Brown Act was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:03pm.

Recorded by:

Jamie Boucher  
City Clerk