

**AGENDA  
CORCORAN CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
CITY HALL  
1015 CHITTENDEN AVENUE  
January 26, 2016, 5:00 P.M.**

The special session of the Corcoran City Council was called to order by Vice- Mayor Cartwright, in the City Council Chambers, 1015 Chittenden Avenue, Corcoran, CA at 5:00 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present: Mark Cartwright, Raymond Lerma, Sidonio Palmerin, and Jim Wadsworth

Councilmembers absent: Jerry Robertson

Staff present: Karla Cruz, Rick Joyner, Kindon Meik, Baldomero Rodriguez, Soledad Ruiz-Nuñez, Reuben Shortnacy, and Kevin Tromborg

Press present: Jeanette Todd, "The Corcoran Journal"

**INVOCATION** None

**FLAG SALUTE** None

1. **PUBLIC DISCUSSION** None

2. **STAFF REPORTS**

2-A. City Manager, Kindon Meik, gave a report on the emergency water rates proposed to meet debt service coverage requirements. Meik noted that the debt service coverage is established in the bond covenants and requires the City to maintain a 120% debt service ratio of revenues to bond payments. The rate increase is necessary to remain in compliance with the bond covenants and will be essential as the City works to extend or renew the letter of credit associated with the bond. Following Meik's report there was oral testimony from Michael Boyett, 1027 Estes Avenue, who suggested the City search for waivers; Richard Valle, 631 Burnett Drive, also expressed his interest in having the City search for alternative options such as the Public Finance Authority created by Kings County; Janet Watkins, 1614 Heffner Avenue, stated she considered the current rates too expensive and that she was not receiving the services she was paying for; Jason Mustain, 1017 Josephine Avenue, suggested Council revise the proposed resolution to not allow automatic increases and instead allow the increases to be discussed by Council annually; Stephen Ketner, 1902 Estes Avenue, expressed his concern about the increase in rates; Carlo Wilcox, 231 Estes Avenue, suggested Council needs to look at the City's overall budget and consider changes in overhead charges to the enterprise funds; Denise SiFuentes, 406 6 ½ Avenue, stated she would not be able to afford the increase; Maribel Alcantar, 1029 Birch Avenue, expressed her concerns for low income residents; Mary Gonzalez Gomez, 2001 Bell Avenue, suggested Council table the item and look for

alternative solutions. Council members responded to questions and made further comments regarding the proposed emergency rate increases.

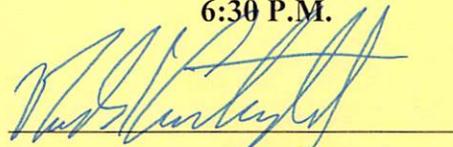
Following Council discussion a **motion** was made by Lerma and seconded by Palmerin to table Resolution No. 2820, and to instead bring the item back for further discussion at the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting being February 1, 2016.

**AYES:** Mark Cartwright, Raymond Lerma, Sidonio Palmerin, and Jim Wadsworth  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSENT:** Jerry Robertson

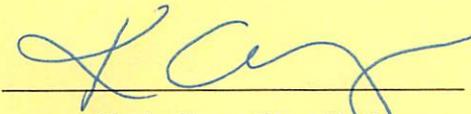
3. **CLOSED SESSION** -None

**ADJOURNMENT**

6:30 P.M.



Mark Cartwright, Vice Mayor



Karla Cruz, City Clerk

**APPROVED DATE:** February 1, 2016

