



**CITY OF LATHROP
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AND STUDY SESSION
TUESDAY, MAY 29, 2018
5:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
390 Towne Centre Drive
Lathrop, CA 95330**

MINUTES

1. PRELIMINARY

- 1.1 CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Dhaliwal called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- 1.2 ROLL CALL Present: Mayor Dhaliwal; Vice Mayor Elliott
Councilmembers: Akinjo, Dresser, and Salcedo.
- Absent: None.

Councilmember Salcedo led the pledge of allegiance. Mayor Dhaliwal led a moment of silence.

2. ACTION ITEM

2.1 DISTRICT BASED ELECTIONS FOR CITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

City Attorney Salvador Navarrete provided an overview. A question and answer period ensued. City Manager Stephen Salvatore and City Clerk Teresa Vargas provided additional information. Diane Lazard (Lathrop, CA) cited sections of the Election Code; expressed opposition to the matter. Gloryanna Rhodes (Lathrop, CA) expressed opposition to the matter; commented on the diversity of the existing council. The question and answer period continued. City Attorney Salvador Navarrete provided additional information. Gloryanna Rhodes (Lathrop, CA) returned to the podium and urged Council to take their time with considering the proposed matter. The question and answer period continued. Ken Lam (Lathrop, CA) commented on other cities previously sued. The question and answer period continued.

A motion by Mayor Dhaliwal, seconded by Councilmember Salcedo, to adopt a Resolution of Intention to transition from At-Large Elections to District Based Elections for City Council Elections for the 2022 General Municipal Election, after receiving results of the 2020 U.S. Census.

Ayes: Salcedo and Dhaliwal
Noes: Akinjo, Dresser, and Elliott
Absent: None
Abstain: None

MOTION FAILED

No further action taken by the Council on this matter.

3. STUDY SESSION ITEM

3.1 DISCUSSION REGARDING LATHROP POLICE SERVICE OPTIONS

City Manager Stephen Salvatore provided an overview, which included a summary of the City's law enforcement partnership and agreement with the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office, and current transition negotiations with City of Tracy Police Department. Finance Director Cari James and City Consultant Mike Oliver (Municipal Resource Group) provided the remainder of the presentation, which included a project background, potential service agreement and operational plan with City of Tracy, potential staffing levels, service plan, estimated transition costs, officer cost comparison, estimated annual costs, ten year assumptions and cost model between City of Tracy and San Joaquin County, transition benefits, and next steps required to complete the service transition. A question and period ensued throughout the presentation. Smith (first name not heard; speaker card not provided) requested information related to the recruiting process. City Consultant Mike Oliver provided additional information. The question and answer period continued. Gloryanna Rhodes (Lathrop, CA) expressed support on the City transitioning to its own police department. Diane Lazard (Lathrop, CA) withdrew request to speak. Jack Varrella (Lathrop, CA) expressed opposition to the proposed service agreement with the City of Tracy; and expressed concern with losing community programs provided by the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office. Debbie Rock (Lathrop, CA) commented on the City having full control in the recruitment process; location for the potential future dispatch center; and the City transition to its own police department. Dawna Hernandez (Lathrop, CA) expressed appreciation for school programs provided by the San Joaquin County Sheriff's deputies and their involvement in the community. Michele Anderson (Lathrop, CA) expressed support with continuing the service agreement with San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office; expressed appreciation for the deputies and their involvement in the community. Diane Lazard (Lathrop, CA) requested information related to the transition of the City's own police department. Gloryanna Rhodes (Lathrop, CA) returned to the podium, requested information related to officer retention and retirement costs.

Debbie Rock (Lathrop, CA) returned to the podium, requested information related to the police academy and recruitment process. There were no other speakers.

The City Council received public comment and discussed the information provided by staff related to the City of Lathrop police service options with the City of Tracy. No other action taken.

4. **ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business, Mayor Dhaliwal adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.



Teresa Vargas, CMC
City Clerk

This meeting was called by a majority of the City Council per Government Code Section 54956.