

**Minutes of the Blythe City Council Special Meeting
and Special Closed Session
August 28, 2023**

The August 28, 2023 Special Meeting and Special Closed Session of the Blythe City Council was called to order at 4:30pm in the Council Chambers by Mayor DeConinck. Also in attendance were Vice Mayor Rodriguez and Council Members Reynolds and Halby. Councilman Burton was absent. Staff in attendance included: Interim City Manager and City Clerk Crecelius, Police Chief Dale and Deputy City Attorney Porter.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor DeConinck.

SPECIAL MEETING ITEMS:

1. Posting of the Agenda.

The summary of agenda items were posted on the bulletin boards on the outside of the public entrance to the Council Chamber and near the inside entrance of the Council Chamber on Friday, August 25, 2023.

No public comment. Councilman Reynolds moved approval of the posting of the Agenda. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Rodriguez with a unanimous aye vote.

2. Extension of the Service Fee Collected on behalf of the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority.

Police Chief Dale stated in 1990, the California State Legislature enacted legislation allowing for the creation of a County based Vehicle Service Authority to fund abandoned vehicle abatement. Every ten years the City is required to adopt a Resolution authorizing the State to take \$1 out of every registration fee collected in the City of Blythe and distribute it to the County which in turn distributes it to the City to fund an AVA program. The reason for the Special Meeting is that the State changed our deadline. Previously we had to renew 5 months prior to the deadline, now the state wants 8 months for review. The County is putting this item on their Board Agenda on September 12th, which is the same date as our next Regular Meeting. Due to this, we were unable to meet the County's deadline without calling a Special Meeting. We are asking you to Adopt Resolution No. 2023-021 authorizing the extension of the service fee collected on behalf of the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority until May 2034.

No public comment. Councilman Reynolds moved to adopt Resolution No. 2023-021. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Rodriguez with a unanimous aye vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-021. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLYTHE, CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE SERVICE FEE COLLECTED ON BEHALF OF THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT SERVICE AUTHORITY UNTIL MAY 2034.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS: None

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION:

SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION ITEM:

- 1. Conference with Labor Negotiator.** Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency Designated Representative: Mallory Crecelius. Unrepresented Employee: Fire Chief.

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION:

Interim City Manager Crecelius stated direction was given, no action was taken.

ADJOURN: The City Council meeting was adjourned at 4:41pm.

Joseph DeConinck, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mallory Crecelius , City Clerk

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