

7. **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION ROUNDTABLE REPORT** - None.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 8- 13)

Council Member DeGolia pulled Item 13.

Mayor Lewis pulled Item 12.

These items were moved to after the regular agenda.

8. **APPROVAL OF JANUARY 13 SPECIAL MEETING AND JANUARY 20, 2016 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Report: City Clerk Theresa DellaSanta

Recommendation: Approve meeting minutes

9. **APPROVAL OF BILLS AND CLAIMS FOR JANUARY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,115,180**

Report: Finance Director Robert Barron III

Recommendation: Approve Bills and Claims in the amount of \$1,115,180

10. **ACCEPTANCE OF TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE SECOND QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 30, 2015**

Report: Finance Director Robert Barron III

Recommendation: Accept the Treasurer's Report for the Second Quarter Ended December 31, 2015

11. **AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE 2016 SPRING PATCHING PROJECT, PROJECT NUMBER 56070**

Report: Community Services Director Mike Kashiwagi

Recommendation: Award the construction contract for 2016 Spring Patching Project, project number 56070 to the low bidder, G. Bortolotto & Company of San Carlos for \$93,225; direct the City Attorney to prepare the contract; and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract on behalf of the Town

MOTION BY Widmer, second by DeGolia to approved the consent calendar excluding items 12 and 13. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING – (Item 14)

14. **CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ATHERTON MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 6.04; ANIMAL AND FOWL**

Report: Town Planner Lisa Costa Sanders

Recommendation: The Planning Commission and staff recommend that the City Council adopt an Ordinance amending Atherton Municipal Code Chapter 6.04 regulating the keeping of fowl in Atherton

Council opened the Public Hearing to take comments from the public. Two members of the public spoke in favor of amendments to the Town's ordinance. After closing the Public Hearing, the Council discussed the issues presented in the ordinance. The Council identified and discussed issues related to noise, odor, setback, lot size constraints, number of fowl permitted based on each lot size, size of the coop, size of the run, and permitting/enforcement.

Council Member Widmer felt that a large setback should be required for chickens, and a variance should be required for special circumstances. He also noted that he spoke to a number of major builders in Town and a majority of them do not prefer chickens because it can devalue properties.

Council Member DeGolia felt that the Planning Commission's recommendation enables a reasonable number of chickens without prohibiting it. DeGolia felt strongly that a permit or license should be required so that the Town has some latitude for complaints about chickens.

Council Member Wiest felt that if chickens are allowed then we should have an avenue that allows for oversight. Wiest did not support chickens on any properties with less than ½ acre.

Mayor Lewis felt that the current setbacks are not reasonable for chicken coops.

The Council directed staff to amend the ordinance as discussed retaining a permit process together with an inspection, clarify the educational uses and limitations, modify the setback requirements to a graduated scale based on 50% of the lot's required setback, eliminate the 50 foot from structure on adjacent property requirement, and limit the number of chickens to 3 for ½ acre to 1 acre lots. The Council also asked that visual representations of the varying lot sizes and setbacks be included in the next Report.

MOTION by Lewis, second by DeGolia to continue the Public Hearing to the March City Council meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA – (Items 15-19)

15. ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE (EPC) 2016 EARTH DAY EVENT WORK PLAN AND BUDGET AS RECOMMENDED BY THE EPC

Report: Town Planner Lisa Costa Sanders

Recommendation: Review, provide comment, and approve a final an Environmental Programs Committee (EPC) 2016 Earth Day Event work plan

Following the staff report and public comments, the Council discussed the proposed Earth Day event(s) and budget. The Council discussed the comprehensive programs proposed; historic Earth Day activities, attendance, and budget; and methodology for collection of funds and fees. Following discussion, the Council approved the budget request of \$5,000 and the scope of the Earth Day event(s). However, it was noted that the proposed survey (pre- and post-event) as well as the proposed movie showing need to be approved by the Council in advance. Staff was directed to work with the Committee to return the proposed surveys and movie to the March 2 Study Session.

MOTION by DeGolia, second by Lempres to approve an Environmental Programs Committee (EPC) 2016 Earth Day Event work plan and a budget request for \$5,000. The motion passed unanimously.