Pledge of Allegiance Led by Council Member Ron Irish
Invocation by Pastor Lon Heighton, Porterville Nazarene Church
Roll Call: West, Martinez, Hamilton, Irish, Stadtherr

PRESENTATIONS
Employee of the Month - Weldon B. Nichols

Donnette Silva-Carter, with the Porterville Chamber of Commerce, and with Emilie Hornak of the Porterville Recorder, announced that on Saturday, November 8th, from 8am – 5pm, the Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring, along with the Wal-Mart Distribution Center, a drive to fill a Wal-Mart trailer with items to be sent to victims of the San Diego fires. She encouraged everyone to donate new and gently used items, and/or volunteer to help with the drive.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

• Dorothy Broome, Porterville, expressed that she was impressed with the Pastor’s prayer. She asked for clarification on Item No. 4, 13 and 15 of the agenda, and requested further discussion of Item No. 5 on the agenda.

• Sam Cohen, for the Tule River Indian Tribe, P.O. Box 589, brought 10 t-shirts for the Council. He also asked who he should contact in regards to a rental dispute with the Porterville Fair regarding the Porterville Pow Wow. He then presented Council with copies of a letter from the U. S. Department of Interior extending the deadline for the comment period for the FETA Trust application.

• Dick Eckhoff, Downtown Porterville Association, expressed his support for the proposed improvements on the Bank of Sierra parking lot, Item No. 20, and also stated that although the surplus was much less than anticipated, the Christmas lights on Main Street will be improved with the help of contributions from local merchants. 1) They accept the City’s offer to furnish the lights; 2) they will contract with Kaylor Landscaping to wrap 61 selected trees 3) This is for this year only, and they will meet with staff early next year to discuss next year.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Item No. 5 was pulled from the consent calendar for discussion.

1. MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 2 AND OCTOBER 21, 2003

Disposition: Approved
Documentation: Minute Order No. 01-110403
2. **CLAIM – JAMES TANNER**

    Recommendation: That the Council reject said claim, and refer the matter to the City’s insurance adjustor, and direct the City Clerk to give the claimant proper notification.

    Disposition: Approved
    Documentation: Minute Order No. 02-110403

3. **APPROVAL OF PURCHASES**

    Recommendation: That the City Council approve purchases as listed, and authorize the Chief Financial Officer to issue payment for same upon satisfactory delivery.

    Disposition: Approved
    Documentation: Minute Order No. 03-110403

4. **BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE 2003-2004 FISCAL YEAR**

    Recommendation: That the Council approve the attached budget adjustments and authorize staff to modify revenue and expenditure estimates as described on the attached schedule.

    Disposition: Approved
    Documentation: Minute Order No. 04-110403

6. **AWARD OF CONTRACT – WELL NO. 27**

    Recommendation: That City Council:
    1. Award the Well No. 27 Project to Valley Pump & Dairy Systems in the amount of $487,991.63;
    2. Authorize progress payments up to 90% of the contract amount; and
    3. Authorize a $26,000 appropriation of funds from the Water Replacement Fund – Developer Fees account for staff time and a 10% contingency to cover unforeseen construction costs.

    Disposition: Approved
    Documentation: Minute Order No. 05-110403

7. **PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT TO THE LOCAL AGENCY – STATE MASTER AGREEMENT – DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT PLANO STREET AND MULBERRY AVENUE**

    Recommendation: That the City Council:
    1. Approve the subject program supplement by passing a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the subject program supplement; and
2. Direct staff to return the signed program supplement to Cal Trans.

Disposition: Approved
Documentation: Resolution No. 144-2003

8. AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH CALIFORNIA INFRASTRUCTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BANK (CIEDB) LOAN

Recommendation: That City Council:
1. Approve the attached Resolution authorizing the submission of the loan application to the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank for financing of the Wastewater Treatment Facility and Reclamation Area Improvement Projects and;
2. Authorize the Mayor to enter into and sign the financing documents and any amendments thereto with the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank.

Disposition: Approved
Documentation: Resolution No. 145-2003


Recommendation: That the Council approve the City of Porterville’s Parks & Leisure Services annual Veteran’s Day Run subject to the restrictions and requirements contained in the application, agreement and Exhibit “A” of the Community Civic Event application.

Disposition: Approved
Documentation: Minute Order No. 06-110403

10. REQUEST FOR STREET CLOSURE – MYERS’ NINTH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE MEMORIAL SERVICE

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the closure of “E” Street, between Putnam and Cleveland, on December 4, 2003, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. subject to the conditions specified.

Disposition: Approved
Documentation: Minute Order No. 07-110403

11. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT

Recommendation: That the City Council:
1. Authorize staff to submit the application for funding.
2. Authorize staff to accept the grant if awarded,
3. Authorize the Mayor to sign for the acceptance of the grant,
4. Authorize the disbursement of funds from the Fire Department’s “Radios & Pagers Equipment Replacement Fund #EL-2999” for the match on the five radios,
5. Authorize staff to attend CSTI for training within the confines of each department’s training budget.

Disposition: Approved
Documentation: Minute Order No. 08-110403

12. FIRE PREVENTION AND SAFETY GRANT

Recommendation: That the City Council:
1. Authorize staff to submit the application for funding to FEMA,
2. Authorize staff to accept the grant award if awarded,
3. Authorize the Mayor to sign for the acceptance of the grant,
4. Authorize the disbursement of funds from the Fire Department’s “Firefighting and Rescue Equipment Replacement Fund #EL-2997” for the 10% match.
5. Authorize the addition of two fire engineer positions for the duration of the grant funding.

Disposition: Approved
Documentation: Minute Order No. 09-110403

13. PORTERVILLE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT RENTAL – ATMOSPHERICS, INC.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the temporary rental of a portion of Lot 7 to Atmospherics, Inc. for a rental fee of $150.00 per month, reimbursement to the City for electricity use, and compliance with the City’s policy on liability insurance.

Disposition: Approved
Documentation: Minute Order No. 10-110403

14. DOWNTOWN PORTERVILLE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Recommendation: No action is requested.

Disposition: Approved
Documentation: Minute Order No. 11-110403
COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Hamilton, SECONDED by Council Member West that the Council approve Item Numbers 1 through 4, and 6 through 14, on the Consent Calendar. The motion carried unanimously.

5. AWARD OF CONTRACT – MUNICIPAL POOLS COMPLEX RENOVATION PROJECT

Recommendation: That the City Council:
1. Award the Municipal Pools Complex Renovation Project Base Bid to David A. Bush, Inc. in the amount of $1,175,043.00;
2. Authorize progress payments up to 90% of the contract amount; and
3. Authorize a 5% contingency to cover unforeseen construction costs.

The staff report was presented by Public Works Director Baldomero Rodriguez.

Mayor Stadtherr advised the Council that Mrs. Karen Johns of Webb & Sons Construction was in the audience and available for questions.

Council Member Irish stated that he was disappointed at the cost of the project, and that he felt that the Council was poorly advised by the consultant. He believed that by going with this bid that Council was just ensuring that the pool season would start on time, and at a hefty expense.

Mr. Rodriguez stated that this is correct, but that the deteriorating condition of the pool must also be considered.

Council Member Irish then asked Mr. Longley to elaborate on the 5% contingency fund.

Mr. Longley explained that normally on projects the City has a 5 to 10% contingency for change orders or unanticipated costs that may occur in a project, and that in reconstruction projects such as this the contingency costs are normally higher.

Council Member Irish asked for the reasoning behind distinguishing the A and B license.

Mr. Rodriguez explained that the A license was the appropriate license for this type of project.

Natchi Madhavan, of Jones & Madhavan, the City’s design consultant, explained that the selection of the A license was based on conversations between the State Licensing Board for Contractors and his firm. They were told that the appropriate license for a swimming pool project, that is primarily a swimming pool project is an A license or a C-53 license. A B license would only apply if a swimming pool was part of a larger project that would consist of buildings.

Council Member Irish asked if the State required the use of an A licensed contractor is it was at the Council’s discretion.
City Attorney Julia Lew tried to clarify for the Council the use of an A and B license. She stated that an A license may be required if engineering elements are necessary for this project, but that a B license be used provided that you have a specialty classification for a pool project called a C-53 license.

City Manager Mr. Longley, stated that the specifications listed in the advertisement for bids on this project required an A licensed contractor.

Council Member West stated that he could not see why a B licensed could not build this pool.

Council Member Irish stated that a downside to throwing out the bids and starting all over again would be eating into next year’s pool season.

Council Member Hamilton asked where the new funds were going to come from to award the contract.

Staff stated that it would involve borrowing funds from risk management.

Mayor Pro Tem Martinez asked if there were any legal implications if the requirement for the project was changed to a B license with a C-53.

The City Attorney then stated that we would first need to verify that a B license was appropriate for the project.

Council Member Hamilton asked Mrs. Johns to come up and speak.

Karen Johns, President of Webb & Sons, explained that they are a B licensed contractor and that they completed the Granite Hills High School Swimming Pool Complex. She stated that they have a sub-contractor that is a licensed C-53 as well as an A licensed contractor. Mrs. Johns stated that Webb & Sons is comfortable in being able to complete this project, and apologized for not noticing that an A license was specified and bringing it to Council’s attention.

Council Member West asked how long it would take to start the process over and re-advertise for bids to include an A or B license with a C-53 license, to which the City Attorney answered that a two to three week period would be necessary.

Mayor Pro Tem Martinez asked how much of the pool season would be affected if Council threw out all bids, to which staff responded two to three weeks.

Mayor Stadtherr stated that he did not feel comfortable voting on a project of this size with only one bid, and that he would be willing to hold a special Council Meeting if necessary to assist staff in expediting the process.

Council Member Irish then asked if the primary contractors could list the sub-contractors that would be used for the project as well as the sub-contractors’ sub-contractors.
COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Irish, SECONDED by Council Member West to approve Option B, to reject all bids at this time. re-advertise for bids to include bids from Class A licensed contractors and Class B contractors with a C-53 license. Such bids should be brought back for Council review at the December 16th, 2003 meeting. Council also directed the City Attorney to further investigate the required licensing for this type of project. The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

PUBLIC HEARING

15. MODIFICATION OR REVOCATION OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 4-2000 (FRANK’S STOP AND GO MARKET)

Recommendation: That the City adopt the attached resolution modifying Conditional Use Permit 4-2000 to prohibit alcohol sales for a period of 60 days and imposing a three year probationary period.

The staff report was presented by Associate Planner Randy Rouda.

Mayor Stadtherr opened the hearing to the public at 8:00 p.m.

There was no one to speak in favor or opposition of Item No. 15, and the hearing was closed to the public at 8:02 p.m.

Council Member Irish asked what the consequences would be if a violation did occur during the probationary period.

The City Manager stated that any violations would be brought back to Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Martinez asked when the 60 day period would begin, and wanted to make sure that the store owner had ample time to prepare.

The City Attorney suggested that the Council have the suspension period take effect November 20, 2003, and allow alcohol sales to re-commence on January 20, 2004.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez, SECONDED by Mayor Stadtherr to amend the attached resolution to allow the 60-day suspension period to begin on November 20, 2003. The motion carried unanimously.

M.O. No. 13-110304 MOVED by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez, SECONDED by Council Member West to adopt the attached resolution modifying Conditional Use Permit
Resolution 146-2003

AYES: West, Irish, Martinez, Stadtherr
NOES: Hamilton
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Disposition: Approved

16. ZONE CHANGE 4-2003 – (J.C. & EVELYN MCGREGOR)

Recommendation: That the City Council:
1. Adopt the draft resolution approving a Negative Declaration for Zone Change 4-2003.
2. Adopt the draft ordinance approving Zone Change 4-2003.

This item was presented by Associate Planner Randy Rouda.

Mayor Stadtherr opened this item up for public hearing at 8:08 p.m.

Evelyn McGregor came up to request that the Council approve the zone change, and thanked Council for reviewing this.

Mayor Stadtherr closed the hearing to the public at 8:10 p.m.

Council Member Hamilton asked why the change would be to an R-4 and not an R-1.

Mr. Rouda explained that the change was necessary to match the general plan, and to correspond to the adjacent residential zoning.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Hamilton, SECONDED by Council Member West to adopt the draft resolution approving a Negative Declaration for Zone Change 4-2003. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 147-2003

Disposition: Approved

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member West, SECONDED by Council Member Irish to adopt the draft ordinance. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 1641

Disposition: Approved

The City Manager then read the Ordinance by title only.
COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member West, SECONDED by Council Member Hamilton to waive further reading of the ordinance and order to print, being AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 4-2003 BEING A CHANGE OF ZONING FROM M-1 (LIGHT MANUFACTURING) TO R-4(D) (MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL WITH A DESIGN REVIEW OVERLAY) FOR THAT DEVELOPED .88 SITE LOCATED AT 33 EAST DATE AVENUE. The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

Council Member Irish announced that he would be abstaining from Items No. 17, 18, 19 And 20 due to a conflict of interests.

17. VACATE PUBLIC STREETS, PUBLIC UTILITIES AND DRAINAGE EASEMENTS DEDICATED AS A PARK OF NEW EXPRESSIONS, PHASE ONE SUBDIVISION (4/0 H/M)

Recommendation: That City Council:
1. Conduct a Public Hearing; and
2. Authorize the City Clerk to execute the vacation of Parcel 1, Parcel 2, Parcel 3 and Parcel 4 of Exhibit “B” of said Document No. 97-089392 of Tulare County Official Records by signing the appropriate statement on the Final Map.

This item was presented by Public Works Director Baldomero Rodriguez.

Mayor Stadtherr opened this item for public hearing at 8:14 p.m.

Dorothy Broom, 863 S. Crystal St, asked for clarification on the location of the property being referred to.

The Mayor closed the hearing to the public at 8:20 p.m.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Hamilton, SECONDED by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez to accept staff’s recommendation to authorize the City Clerk to execute the vacation of Parcel 1, Parcel 2, Parcel 3 and Parcel 4 of Exhibit “B” of said Document No. 97-089392 of Tulare County Official Records by signing the appropriate statement on the Final Map.

M.O. No. 14-110403

AYES: West, Hamilton, Martinez, Stadtherr
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Irish
ABSENT: None
SECOND READING

18. ORDINANCE 1640, ZONE CHANGE 3-2003 (PRE-ZONING) (BURTON SCHOOL DISTRICT)

Recommendation: That Council give Second Reading to Ordinance No. 1640, waive further reading, and adopt said ordinance.

This item was presented by City Manager Longley.

Mayor Pro Tem Martinez announced that he would be abstaining from this Item.

City Attorney, Julia Lew stated to the remaining Council that a unanimous vote would be necessary to pass ordinances and resolutions, since three affirmative votes are required.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Hamilton, SECONDED by Council Member West to give Second Reading to Ordinance No. 1640, waive further reading, and adopt said ordinance, being AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 3-2003 BEING A PRE-ZONING FROM COUNTY AE-20 (EXCLUSIVE AGRICULTURAL - 20 ACRE MINIMUM) TO CITY R-3 (D) (MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL WITH A DESIGN REVIEW OVERLAY) FOR THAT AREA (17.11± ACRES) LOCATED ACROSS THE FULL FRONTEGE OF OLIVE AVENUE AND EXTENDING SOUTHERLY A DISTANCE OF 682± FEET IN CONJUNCTION WITH ANNEXATION 452 CONSISTING OF 81.1± ACRES GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF OLIVE AVENUE AND MATHEW STREET AND THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF OLIVE AVENUE AND MATHEW STREET.

Ordinance No. 1640

AYES: West, Hamilton, Stadtherr
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Irish, Martinez
ABSENT: None

Disposition: Approved

City Manager Longley read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Pro Tem Martinez returned to the meeting.
SCHEDULED MATTERS

19. REQUEST TO APPROVE COMMENT LETTER TO THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS REGARDING THE PROPOSED TRUST STATUS APPLICATION FOR TREDC SITE

Recommendation: Remove Item as 180 day Extension was received; City Attorney to prepare the draft MOU; Authorize City’s STIG Members to Negotiate on behalf of the Council a MOU with the Tule River Tribal Council re: Trust Status of the TREDC Site.

Mayor Pro Tem Martinez abstained from this item due to the possibility of a conflict of interest in the future.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member West, SECONDED by Council Member Hamilton to accept staff’s recommendation.

M.O. No. 15-110403

AYES: West, Hamilton, Stadtherr
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Irish, Martinez
ABSENT: None

Disposition: Approved

At 8:25 p.m. Council took a 10 minute recess.

20. REQUEST FROM THE BANK OF THE SIERRA TO MODIFY A PUBLIC PARKING LOT

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Approve the proposed alterations to the public parking lot located on the west side of Second Street, south of Garden Avenue with conditions as recommended by the Project Review Committee.

The staff report was presented by Associate Planner Randy Rouda.

Council Member Hamilton asked why Council would want to consider permitting another drive thru in our town with the air quality as bad as it is.

Mr. Rouda stated that the most harmful emissions are released at vehicle start up and the moments immediately following, and assuming that idling times are kept short, may be a benefit.

City Manager Longley stated that he believed that the reasoning behind the approval of drive thru windows was that the ordinance does not prohibit or restrict them, therefore there is no basis for denial.
Council Hamilton expressed his concern for the severe condition of our air quality, which will costs a substantial amount of money to fix, and cannot understand the addition of another drive thru window.

Mayor Stadtherr expressed his concern for the safety of pedestrians following the designated walk way path, and stated that the vegetation may block oncoming traffic’s view of pedestrians. He then asked if it was general policy to not use devices to limit traffic direction, such as spikes to prevent drivers from going the wrong way.

Mr. Rouda replied that the potential hazards and liabilities are high, and would be more likely considered for severe traffic conditions.

Mayor Pro Tem asked if the number of handicap spaces proposed for the new parking lot was standard.

Mr. Rouda stated that the requirements were one handicap space, and an additional for every 50 parking spaces over 50.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member West, SECONDED by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez Approve the proposed alterations to the public parking lot located on the west side of Second Street, south of Garden Avenue with conditions as recommended by the Project Review Committee.

M.O. No. 16-110403

AYES: West, Martinez, Stadtherr
NOES: Hamilton
ABSTAIN: Irish
ABSENT: None

Disposition: Approved

Council Member Irish returned to the meeting.

21. ORDINANCE SETTING LIMITS FOR CITY EXPENDITURES, INDEBTEDNESS, AND REVOLVING CASH FUND

Recommendation: That the City Council consider the limits to be provided and give first reading to the ordinance adding Chapter II, Article VII in accordance with Section 48 of the City’s Charter.

City Attorney Julia Lew presented this item.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member West, SECONDED by Council Member Irish to adopt the ordinance as recommended by staff, limiting expenditures to $5,000, indebtedness to $5,000, and the revolving cash fund to $1,000. The motion carried unanimously.
The City Manager read the ordinance by title only.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Irish, SECONDED by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez to waive further reading of the ordinance and order it to print, being AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE ADDING CHAPTER II, ARTICLE VII, “EXPENDITURES, INDEBTEDNESS, AND REVOLVING CASH FUND,” COMPRised OF SECTIONS 2-35 THROUGH 2-37, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 48 OF THE CITY’S CHARTER. The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

22. WHOLESALE WATER POLICY

Recommendation: That City Council:
1. Direct staff to continue working on a comprehensive “Wholesale Water Policy”; and
2. Direct staff not to sell water outside the city limits, except to existing customers, while the policy is being developed.

The staff report was present by Public Works Director Baldomero Rodriguez.

Council Member Hamilton asked if this would set the City up to be an absolute monopoly of the water right in this town, to which Baldomero Rodriguez answered affirmatively.

Council Member West stated that people requesting water from the City would not be able to pay for the design and construction of water reservoirs.

City Manager Longley stated that in most cases, companies and individuals will need a replacement source which cannot come anywhere near their companies boundaries, and will attempt to ensure that the cities’ rate payer will not subsidize those other systems.

Mr. Rodriguez stated that smaller companies may be able to combine funds in order to afford a well that would meet their water needs.

Council Member Irish asked what would happen if in the future the city is unable to produce the 120%.

Mayor Stadtherr asked to what obligation is there a social contract to provide water to the citizens of the city if they are in fact living in the city.
City Manager Longley attempted to clarify the benefits of such a program, and stated that there is risk and gain involved, and that any revenue would be put in the water fund.

Mr. Rodriguez stated that the pressure drops during the months of July and August, but that otherwise the city is in good shape when it comes to water production.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Irish, SECONDED by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez to accept staff recommendations one and two. This motion was rescinded.

M.O. No. 17-110403 MOVED by Council Member Hamilton, SECONDED by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez to bring this item back as a Public Hearing. This motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

23. STREET CLOSURE FOR BLOCK PARTIES ON CUL-DE-SAC STREETS

Recommendation: That City Council continue with the program as previously adopted.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Irish, SECONDED by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez to approve continuance of the Block Party Program and that M.O. No. 18-110403 Council review again on November 2, 2004. The motion carried unanimously.

Disposition: Approved

24. PARKS AND LEISURE SERVICES DEPARTMENT WORK PLAN AND PRIORITIES

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the City Council receive the Work Plan and schedule a study session for its review and input on any revisions or modifications. Staff will subsequently request that the Council affirm the priorities either as proposed, or as such is modified by Commission comments or Council input at the Study Session.

This item was presented by Mr. Prine.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Irish, SECONDED by Council Member West to schedule a study session. The motion carried unanimously.

M.O. No. 19-110403

Mayor Stadtherr requested that staff bring back two possible dates for the study session.
25. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT ANNUAL COMMITTEE ACTIVITY - PRIORITIZATION AND ATTENDANCE

Item No. 25 was continued to 11/18/03 as a result of staff’s recommendation to postpone addressing this item due to Community Development Director Mr. Dunlap’s absence.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

• Donnette Silva Carter, 93 N. Main presented the following names of citizens and organizations honored by the community through the Chamber awards:
  • Volunteer of the Year - Dan Fiori
  • Senior Citizen of the Year - Mariam Poundstone
  • Female Youth of the Year - Angela Renaga
  • Male Youth of the Year - Ryan White
  • Community Service Project of the Year - Paint the Town, Coordinated by the Porterville Recorder and Leadership Porterville
  • Organization of the Year - Police Activities League
  • Service Club of the Year - Exchange Club
  • Employer of the Year - Young’s Commercial Transfer
  • Man of the Year - Art Cardell
  • Woman of the Year - Vidra McElfish
  • Alan R. Coates Award for Economic Development - Jim Holly

OTHER MATTERS

• Council Member Irish commented on the professionalism of 3 officers that he came in contact with at a 3:15 am burglary call. He also requested that at the next Council meeting the Council discuss the written materials from the City Council meeting in conjunction with the Porterville Unified School District.

• Council Member West expressed his concern for the need to provide water to everyone in Porterville. He stated that there are people who cannot afford bottled water, and as a result are drinking water high in nitrates.

• Council Member Hamilton requested that Council send letters of commendation to all of the honorees read by Donnette Silva-Carter, and requested approval from Council to send a letter of recommendation for Mr. Ryan White to be accepted to the Air Force Academy.

• Mayor Pro Tem Martinez welcomed all of the firefighters who were back from fighting the San Diego fires.
ADJOURNMENT

The Council adjourned at 9:30 p.m. to the meeting of November 10, 2003.

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Georgia Hawley, Deputy City Clerk
By Luisa Herrera

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Richard M. Stadtherr, Mayor