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Firefighters from Station 36 in Joshua Tree arrived at 12:46 p.m. Firefighters started extinguishing the flames 14 minutes after the first 911 call was made.

Tami Roleff photo

A car fire briefly closed eastbound Highway 62 in Yucca Valley. At 12:33, a car being driven eastbound on the fire caught fire in Old Town Yucca Valley, just east of C&S Coffee Shop. Deputies arrived on scene before the firefighters and made eastbound traffic detour on to Elk Trail. **County Fire** Captain Bolesworth told Z107.7 News that the driver was coming from Palm Springs and noticed as he was driving up the Yucca Grade that the car started to run “funny.” As he pulled into Yucca Valley, people started pointing at his car and he pulled over and it caught on fire. Firefighters from Yucca Valley were still at the scene of an early morning fire in Yucca Mesa, and so firefighters from Joshua Tree responded. The car was fully engulfed in flames when firefighters arrived about 12:45. The cause of the fire is unknown at this time.

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Victorville Council meeting: On the Agenda

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VICTORVILLE — The City Council will meet on Tuesday for its open session at 6 p.m. Here are some of the key items that will be discussed:

Public Hearings

-Consider ordering the annexation of a tract of 60 residential parcels — west of Ridgecrest Road on High Crest and High Vista Streets — into a different assessment district to provide adequate landscape maintenance and servicing. 37 of the 60 property owners petitioned the City for this request. The annexation would raise an annual assessment on each parcel owner to \$182.37 for the first year, and \$144.70 after that if a majority protest doesn't exist at the June 18 hearing.

Consent Calendar

Items considered routine and typically approved in one motion.

-Adopt two ordinances: one related to online/electronic filing of campaign statements and statements of economic interests, and another to allow land use modifications for a proposed 110-lot senior citizen single-family residential development.

-Accept a staff report detailing the condition of fire apparatus, facilities, and equipment when the City began running its own department and stopped using **San Bernardino County Fire** services. According to the

report, “findings from the transition have identified operational, prevention and financial areas of concern that were unknown to the Council during deliberations and decision making to re-establish a City operated Fire Department.”

Written Communications

Items that do not require a public hearing but do require council discussion, action, or direction to staff.

-Award a contract not to exceed \$409,160.00 to ERS Industrial Services, Inc. to recoat filter vessels at the El Evado treatment plant.

-Order that annual special taxes be applied to parcels in two Community Facilities Districts: one located in the Eagle Ranch area and another in west Victorville.

-Award contract renewals to various vendors for the upcoming fiscal year 2019-2020.

-Approve an additional \$57,763.20 in order to pay the City’s property insurance renewal. The premium increased 22.8% from last year, which was about 10% over what was budgeted for an expected rate increase. City staff cited a property insurance market that has experienced three years of net losses due to increasingly devastating natural disasters such as wildfires, hurricanes and floods.

-Approve an agreement between Southern California Logistics Airport and Cal Fire to lease two buildings to store seized illegal fireworks expected to bring in over \$57,000 in gross revenue.

-Approve extending the term of an agreement between the City and the County Transportation Authority for partial funding for expenses incurred by the Green Tree Boulevard Extension Project. The city would receive about \$2.09 million in Measure I funds to help connect the Hesperia Road/Green Tree Blvd. intersection to Ridgecrest/Yates Road.

-Approve an agreement between the City and the County Transportation Authority to fund up to about \$1.6 million to widen the Bear Valley Bridge over the BNSF railroad.

-Approve a contract with Rivers and Lands Conservancy not to exceed \$28,000 to prepare a report on a long-term management plan for a 6.12-acre conservation area that provides a habitat for native plant species. The area was required to be set aside to mitigate environmental impacts when the La Mesa Rd. / Nisqualli Rd. / I-15 Interchange Project was completed in September 2013.

The regularly scheduled meeting will be held at City Council chambers at 14343 Civic Drive. To see the agenda, live and archived meetings, or for more information, visit www.VictorvilleCA.gov.

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