

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the La Mesa City Council and
a Special Meeting of the La Mesa Public Financing Authority
Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California

Mayor Arapostathis called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: Mayor Arapostathis; Vice Mayor Baber; Councilmembers Alessio, McWhirter and Sterling.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: City Manager Witt; City Attorney Sabine; Assistant City Manager/Community Services Director Garrett; City Clerk Kennedy.

ROLL CALL: LA MESA PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY

PRESENT: Chairman Arapostathis; Authority Members Alessio, Baber, McWhirter and Sterling.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Executive Director Witt; General Counsel Sabine; Assistant City Manager/Community Services Director Garrett; Secretary Kennedy.

INVOCATION – VICE MAYOR BABER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

There were no comments.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN REPORTS

The Mayor, Council and staff made announcements and reported on various events taking place in the City. No action was taken.

PRESENTATION

MAYOR'S STATE OF THE CITY REPORT

Mayor Arapostathis presented the State of the City report and reviewed the many accomplishments in 2015. Mayor Arapostathis also highlighted the goals and various projects to come in the new year.

ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Aaron Landau, La Mesa, spoke regarding the problem of homelessness in La Mesa and throughout the region. Mr. Landau said a permanent solution was needed and urged the Council to request the Mayor of San Diego and the County Board of Supervisors hold a symposium to brainstorm solutions to the problem.

Ms. Diane Shea, La Mesa, said more activities, restaurants and possibly a Landmark Theater were needed on La Mesa Boulevard west of Spring Street. Ms. Shea asked what she could do to help connect the neighbors and merchants to encourage more unity in the Village.

CONSENT CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL

(Items 1 through 8)

1. APPROVAL OF MOTION TO WAIVE THE READING OF THE TEXT OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AT THIS MEETING

Approved.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING HELD DECEMBER 8, 2015

Approved.

3. RATIFICATION OF THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD'S APPROVAL OF DRB-15-09 (VOGT) – A PROPOSED SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE ON A VACANT LOT ADDRESSED AS 8255 FINLEY AVENUE IN THE R1 (URBAN RESIDENTIAL) ZONE

Ratified.

4. RESOLUTION WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND AWARDED A WATERPROOFING MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR THE LA MESA POLICE STATION

Resolution No. 2016-001 was adopted.

5. RESOLUTION APPROVING A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LA MESA AND ELITE SHOW SERVICES, INC. FOR SPECIAL EVENT SECURITY

Resolution No. 2016-002 was adopted.

6. RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT EXTENSION TO BUREAU VERITAS FOR BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES THROUGH THE END OF FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

Resolution No. 2016-003 was adopted.

CONSENT CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL – Continued

7. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LA MESA AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY15 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SHSGP) GRANT OF \$47,725 FOR TERRORISM PREPAREDNESS

Resolution No. 2016-004 was adopted.

8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE STATE REVOLVING FUND AGREEMENT FOR THE ALVARADO TRUNK SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Resolution No. 2016-005 was adopted.

ACTION: Motioned by Vice Mayor Baber and seconded by Councilmember McWhirter to approve Consent Calendar items 1 through 8.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Baber, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember McWhirter, Councilmember Sterling.
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion passed.

CONSENT CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL AND LA MESA PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY (Items 9 through 10)

9. APPROVAL OF MOTION TO WAIVE THE READING OF THE TEXT OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AT THIS MEETING

Approved.

10. ACCEPTANCE OF THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE CITY OF LA MESA AND THE LA MESA PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2015

Accepted.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember/Authority Member Baber and seconded by Councilmember/Authority Member McWhirter to approve Consent Calendar items 9 and 10.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor/Chair Arapostathis, Vice Mayor/Authority Member Sterling, Councilmember/Authority Member Alessio, Councilmember/Authority Member Baber, Councilmember/Authority Member McWhirter.
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion passed.

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING

11. A. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA RE-AFFIRMING AND CONFIRMING THAT THE CULTIVATION OF MARIJUANA AND ANY RELATED USES IS PROHIBITED PURSUANT TO THE PERMISSIVE ZONING CODE ENACTED IN THE LA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE; AND, THEREFORE, THE STATE IS PROHIBITED FROM ISSUING A LICENSE FOR THE CULTIVATION OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA AND ANY RELATED USES IN THE CITY OF LA MESA; AND

City Attorney Sabine read the title of the Ordinance.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Sterling and seconded by Councilmember Alessio to approve the second reading and adoption of the Ordinance.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Baber, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember McWhirter, Councilmember Sterling.
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion passed. Ordinance No. 2016-2843 was adopted.

11. B. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA ADDING CHAPTER 10.39 TO THE LA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPRESSLY PROHIBITING MOBILE DISPENSING AND DELIVERY OF MARIJUANA

City Attorney Sabine read the title of the Ordinance.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Alessio and seconded by Councilmember Sterling to approve the second reading and adoption of the Ordinance.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Baber, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember McWhirter, Councilmember Sterling.
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion passed. Ordinance No. 2016-2844 was adopted.

STAFF REPORT

12. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTING AND/OR REAPPOINTING COUNCILMEMBERS TO OUTSIDE BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Mayor Arapostathis proposed the Council appointments to the outside boards, commissions and committees remain the same for 2016.

STAFF REPORT – Continued

ACTION: Motioned by Mayor Arapostathis and seconded by Councilmember Sterling to maintain the same appointments to the outside boards, commissions and committees for 2016.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Baber, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember McWhirter, Councilmember Sterling.

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (3 MINUTE LIMIT)

The Mayor and Council reported on various outside board, commission and committee meetings they attended. No action was taken.

Vice Mayor Baber announced he had been appointed to the League of California Cities Housing Commission and would be attending several meetings in Sacramento throughout the year.

AB 1234 REPORTS (GC 53232.3(d))

There were no reports.

CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

There were no remarks.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Arapostathis adjourned the meeting at 4:26 p.m.

Mary J. Kennedy, CMC
City Clerk