

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the La Mesa City Council
and Special Meeting of the City of La Mesa Successor Agency
Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California

The City Council minutes are prepared and ordered to correspond to the City Council Agenda. Agenda Items can be taken out of order during the meeting.

The Agenda Items were considered in the order presented.

Mayor Arapostathis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: Mayor Arapostathis; Vice Mayor Baber; Councilmembers Alessio, Parent, and Weber.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: City Manager Garrett; City Attorney Sabine; City Clerk Wiegelman; Assistant City Manager Humora.

ROLL CALL: CITY OF LA MESA SUCCESSOR AGENCY

PRESENT: Chairman Arapostathis; Agencymembers Alessio, Baber, Parent, and Weber.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: City Manager Garrett; City Attorney Sabine; Assistant City Manager Humora; City Clerk Wiegelman.

INVOCATION – VICE MAYOR BABER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

City Manager Garrett announced that this was her last City Council meeting before she retired at the end of the month and thanked the City Council, City staff, and community for allowing her to serve and work with them for the past 20 years.

Mayor Arapostathis and the entire City Council commended City Manager Garrett on her retirement and presented her with a plaque in honor of her 20 years of loyalty, dedication, and service to the City of La Mesa.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN REPORTS

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

ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – (TOTAL TIME – 15 MINUTES)

Tom Fox, resident, spoke regarding the City's apartment inspection fee.

City Manager Garrett explained the process for determining City fees.

Brenda Taylor, resident, spoke regarding the sale of the corner lots at the intersections of Bancroft Drive and Lemon Avenue and Bancroft Drive and Grossmont Boulevard.

Carol Lockwood, resident, thanked City Manager Garrett for her service to the City of La Mesa.

CONFLICT DISCLOSURES

Vice Mayor Baber announced he had a potential conflict of interest on Item 14 due to him being a board member of the County of San Diego Countywide Redevelopment Successor Agency Oversight Board.

BOARD AND COMMISSION INTERVIEWS

1. INTERVIEW OF APPLICANTS FOR AN UNSCHEDULED VACANCY ON THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION AND AN UNSCHEDULED VACANCY ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

City Clerk Wiegelman explained that both the Community Services Commission and Environmental Sustainability Commission had an unscheduled vacancy, and the unscheduled vacancy on the Environmental Sustainability Commission was for a member with professional experience related to environmental sustainability. City Clerk Wiegelman briefly explained the interview process and said the appointments would be made at the January 14th City Council meeting. City Clerk Wiegelman stated that Corina Wilkes was not able to attend the meeting due to a prior commitment but had submitted a written statement expressing her interest in being considered for appointment to the Community Services Commission.

The following applicants spoke regarding their qualifications and interest in being appointed to the Community Services Commission:

Monica Moana Cabiles
Alex Mueller

The following applicant spoke regarding their qualifications and interest in being appointed to the Environmental Sustainability Commission:

Michael Bourton

Following the interviews, no action was taken.

2. INTERVIEW OF APPLICANTS FOR THE CITY'S CITIZEN PUBLIC SAFETY OVERSIGHT TASK FORCE

City Clerk Wiegelman gave a brief overview of the purpose and member requirements for the City's Citizen Public Safety Oversight Task Force. City Clerk Wiegelman stated that Janet Castaños, Jessica Roach, and Caitlin Tiffany were not able to attend the meeting due to prior commitments, and Janet Castaños and Caitlin Tiffany had submitted written statements expressing their interest in being considered for appointment. City Clerk Wiegelman said Anne Sawyers and Christa Sawyers had withdrawn their applications.

The following applicants spoke regarding their qualifications and interest in being appointed:

Gene Carpenter
Joshua Chanin
Sean Connacher
Robert Duff
Leroy Johnson
Jamal McRae
Joshua David Morse
David Myers
Conway Redding
Jack Shu
Mark Stratton
Carson Paul Walker
William Walton
Susan Wayne
Frank Willey

City Clerk Wiegelman stated that the appointments to the City's Citizen Public Safety Oversight Task Force would be made at the January 14th City Council meeting.

Following the interviews, no action was taken.

CONSENT CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL

(Items 3 through 13)

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

Approved.

4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2019**

Approved.

5. **ACCEPTANCE OF THE CITY OF LA MESA HOUSING ASSET FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND ADDENDUM TO THE ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

Approved.

6. **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED CITY OF LA MESA COMPENSATION PLANS FOR FY 2019-2020 LISTING POSITIONS, SALARY RANGES/BANDS AND PAY STEPS**

Resolution No. 2019-114 was adopted.

7. **RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR BID 19-18, 2019 CITYWIDE SIGN REPLACEMENT PHASE II, TO CHRISP COMPANY**

Resolution No. 2019-115 was adopted.

8. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF CALRECYCLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT WASTE TIRE ENFORCEMENT GRANT APPLICATIONS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO-SOLID WASTE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LA MESA TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING GRANT FUNDS AND TO IMPLEMENT AND CARRY OUT THE SPECIFIED GRANT ACTIVITIES**

Resolution No. 2019-116 was adopted.

9. **RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AWARD FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS 20-14 FOR URBAN FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN AND PUBLIC OUTREACH SERVICES TO DUDEK**

Resolution No. 2019-117 was adopted.

10. **RESOLUTION APPROVING AN URBAN FORESTRY EDUCATION AND OUTREACH CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TREE SAN DIEGO**

Resolution No. 2019-118 was adopted.

11. A. **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID 20-17, NORTH SPRING STREET RAILROAD CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, AWARDED A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO HMS CONSTRUCTION, INC.; AND**

Resolution No. 2019-119 was adopted.

B. RESOLUTION AWARDING A TASK ORDER TO PGH WONG TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR NORTH SPRING STREET RAILROAD CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Resolution No. 2019-120 was adopted.

12. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LA MESA AND THE CHALLENGE CENTER FOR USE OF SUNSET GYM LOCATED AT 5540 LAKE PARK WAY

Resolution No. 2019-121 was adopted.

13. RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY'S PURCHASING OFFICER TO WAIVE COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT TO FUND WELLNESS AND FITNESS EXAMS BY SAN DIEGO SPORTS MEDICINE

Resolution No. 2019-122 was adopted.

ACTION: Motioned by Vice Mayor Baber and seconded by Mayor Arapostathis to approve Consent Calendar Items 3 through 13.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Baber, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Parent, and Councilmember Weber

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

CONSENT CALENDAR – SUCCESSOR AGENCY

(Item 14)

Vice Mayor Baber recused himself for Item 14 because he had a potential conflict of interest under Government Code Section 87100 due to him being a board member of the County of San Diego Countywide Redevelopment Successor Agency Oversight Board. Vice Mayor Baber left the dais at 7:04 p.m.

14. A. RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE LA MESA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPROVING THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR THE 12-MONTH FISCAL YEAR PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2020 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021 (ROPS 20-21 PERIOD) AND APPROVING RELATED ACTIONS; AND

Resolution No. 2019-035 SA was adopted.

B. RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE LA MESA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE (ROPS 20-21) FOR THE 12-MONTH FISCAL

YEAR PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2020 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021 AND APPROVING RELATED ACTIONS

Resolution No. 2019-036 SA was adopted.

ACTION: Motioned by Agencymember Alessio and seconded by Chairman Arapostathis to approve Consent Calendar Item 14.

Vote: 4-0-1

Yes: Chairman Arapostathis, Agencymember Alessio, Agencymember Parent, and Agencymember Weber

No: None

Abstained: Agencymember Baber

Absent: None

Motion passed.

Vice Mayor Baber returned to the dais at 7:05 p.m.

HEARING

15. CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2018 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (RTIP) *TRANSNET* LOCAL STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM OF PROJECTS

Notice of the hearing was given in accordance with legal requirements, and the hearing was held on the date and at the time specified in the notice.

Public Works Director Firshat gave a brief overview of the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and the amendment to the *TransNet* Local Street Improvement Program of projects.

Council questions and comments ensued.

Mayor Arapostathis opened the hearing for Item 15 at 7:06 p.m.

ACTION: Motioned by Mayor Arapostathis and seconded by Councilmember Parent to close the hearing since there was no one in the audience who wished to speak.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Baber, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Parent, and Councilmember Weber

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

ACTION: Motioned by Mayor Arapostathis and seconded by Councilmember Parent to adopt the Resolution adopting and approving an amendment to the *TransNet* Local Street Improvement Program of Projects for Fiscal Years 2019 through 2023.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Baber, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Parent, and Councilmember Weber

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed. Resolution No. 2019-123 was adopted.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (3 MINUTE LIMIT)

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

AB 1234 REPORTS (GC 53232.3(d))

There were no reports.

CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

City Attorney Sabine thanked City Manager Garrett for her 20 years of service to the City of La Mesa.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Arapostathis adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m. in honor of City Manager Garrett who was retiring after 20 years of service to the City of La Mesa.

Megan Wiegelman, CMC
City Clerk