

MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING OF
JULY 11, 2017

Per *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised 11th Edition*, minutes are a record of the actions taken by the body. These minutes do not include a summary of the discussion but only reflect the action taken by the body. A complete audio recording of this meeting is available on the City's website www.lapueente.org.

A Closed Session and Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of La Puente was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 15900 East Main Street, La Puente, California, on Tuesday, July 11, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.

6:30 P.M.
CLOSED SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Munoz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Munoz, Lewis, Argudo (arrived at 6:45 p.m.), Holloway and Solis.

Members absent: None.

Staff members present: City Manager Carmany, City Attorney Casso, Director of Administrative Services Bird and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garcia.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

The City Council recessed into closed session at 6:31 p.m. to discuss items as posted on the agenda.

1. THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS:

Agency Designated Representatives: David Carmany, City Manager and James M. Casso, City Attorney

Employee Organization: SEIU

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The City Council reconvened to open session at 7:09 p.m.

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Casso reported that as to Item 1, the discussion would be continued until after the open session portion of the meeting. He noted for the record that Council Member Argudo arrived at 6:45 p.m.

7:00 P.M. AGENDA OPEN SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Munoz called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Munoz, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway and Solis.

Members absent: None.

Staff members present: City Manager Carmany, City Attorney Casso, Director of Administrative Services Bird, Development Services Director Di Mario, Chief Deputy City Clerk Garcia, Finance Director Gitmed, Director of Recreation Services Lerma and City Engineer Pagett.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Manager Carmany led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Director of Recreation Services Lerma, on behalf of the City Council, presented Certificates of Recognition to La Puente Softball for their participation in the 2017 USA Softball Girls Fastpitch Tournament.

At 7:18 p.m., City Council recessed for photos with the softball team and reconvened at 7:27 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Daniel Leuwanos of One Legacy spoke about the united network of organ sharing, transplants numbers for 2016, the increase in bone tissue and cornea transplants and the unveiling of the One Legacy Rose Parade float.

BOARDS/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Munoz reported that she attended the Sanitation District meeting on June 28, 2017. Topics of discussion were usual and customary business and the adoption of the union contract.

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETING OF JUNE 27, 2017

A motion was made by Council Member Argudo, seconded by Council Member Holloway, to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the City Council and Successor Agency meeting of June 27, 2017. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Munoz, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway, Solis

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL – None

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

C-1 CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING OPTION FOR 2017 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Director of Recreation Services Lerma provided a staff report. She stated that after eliminating the State of the City address from the event, the event cost was \$6,700 with \$4,400 designated toward the food truck and \$3,200 for remaining costs. She further noted staff had secured \$3,000 in donations toward the event, leaving a net cost of \$3,700.

Council Member Solis stated he could not support \$4,400 to feed 400 people, suggested alternatively the City could grill hot dogs, and noted non-residents are not eligible to get hamburgers from the truck.

Mayor Munoz requested clarification that with the donations, the remaining costs for the event were \$3,700. She thanked staff for looking for options and noted the City needs to be effective in its spending.

Council Member Holloway stated he needed to understand the costs associated with the food truck. Director of Recreation Services Lerma clarified the City contracts for 500 meals which includes providing meals for workers at the community booths and dignitaries. She noted the City was also getting the service of the food truck.

Council Member Argudo stated he did not want to spend City money on food, and suggested hot dogs could be given out instead.

Mayor Munoz thanked staff for taking Council direction and taking the initiative to find cost saving measures. She recommended considering all options beginning in 2018, noting that the food truck has already been advertised to the public. She further recommended City Council approve the food truck this year and asked staff to bring back additional options for next year's event during the next budget season.

A motion was made by Mayor Munoz, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lewis, to approve the expenditure of \$3,700 to fund the 2017 National Night Out. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Munoz, Lewis, Holloway
NOES: Argudo, Solis
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

D. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Solis pulled Item D-4 for further discussion.

Council Member Holloway pulled Item D-5 for further discussion.

A motion was made by Council Member Holloway, seconded by Council Member Solis, to approve Consent Calendar Items D-1, D-2 and D-3. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Munoz, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway, Solis
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

D-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NO. 1432

Action taken: The City Council and Successor Agency adopted Resolution No. 17-5351 approving Warrant Register No. 1432.

D-2 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ENERGY UPGRADE CALIFORNIA "DO YOUR THING" CAMPAIGN

Action taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 17-5352 supporting Energy Upgrade California's "Do Your Thing" campaign.

D-3 CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR CONCRETE REPAIRS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS CITYWIDE

Action taken: The City Council: (1) approved the specifications for the construction of concrete repairs at various locations citywide; and (2) authorized Staff to solicit bids.

D-4 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 17-5353 RESCINDING RESOLUTION 15-5251 AND AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PERSONNEL SYSTEM AND ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED PART-TIME POSITIONS AND HOURLY RATES FOR CITY EMPLOYEES

Council Member Solis pulled this item for further discussion.

At the request of Council Member Solis, City Manager Carmany clarified that some of the positions on the resolution are funded and some are unfunded. He further clarified for Council Member Solis that the resolution pertains only to part-time positions. Director of Administrative Services Bird provided information on the minimum wage increases and when they go into effect.

Council Member Holloway asked what would happen if the City Council adopts the resolution then changes direction in closed session. City Attorney Casso suggested holding off on taking action on this item until after closed session.

Action taken: It was directed by Mayor Munoz that this time be brought back after the closed session portion of the City Council meeting.

D-5 CONSIDERATION OF A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON (SCE) FOR PURCHASE OF A PORTION OF THE CITY'S STREET LIGHTING SYSTEM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$560,175

Council Member Holloway pulled this item for further discussion.

Council Member Holloway noted his concerns with the purchase and replacement of the 24 wooden poles, the risks of litigation and whether CJPIA would or would not cover those poles if the City purchased them.

City Manager Carmany stated the CJPIA would not cover the poles and that Southern California Edison refuses to accept liability and indemnify the City. Discussion ensued regarding purchase of the poles, replacement, liability, which contractor to utilize for disposal, costs of disposal and acceptable disposal sites.

City Manager Carmany stated removal and replacement of the 24 wooden street light poles would be addressed by the City subsequently. He noted that per conversations with the CJPIA though the long term exposure is low the City should consider replacement.

Council Member Solis noted 24 poles are a manageable number and they should be disposed of properly. Mayor Munoz agreed and stated they should be replaced for liability purposes by a vendor who will assume the liability.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lewis, seconded by Mayor Munoz, to: (1) approve the Purchase and Sale Agreement with SCE for \$560,175; (2) authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City; and (3) authorize the City Manager to execute other such documents to carry out the City obligations as set forth in the Purchase and Sale Agreement. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Munoz, Lewis, Holloway, Solis
NOES: Argudo
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

E. NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL – None

ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Landscape and Lighting District: Nothing to report.

Code Enforcement: Nothing to report.

La Puente Park and Youth Program Oversight: Nothing to report.

Military Banner Recognition Program: Nothing to report.

Public Art: Nothing to report.

Community Alliance: Nothing to report.

Grant Writing: Nothing to report.

Traffic Sign Inventory and Revitalization: Nothing to report.

AB 1234 REPORTS – None

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Council Member Holloway noted that the deadline to file the FPPC Form 460 was July 31, 2017.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis thanked staff for a great 3rd of July event. Mayor Munoz also thanked staff and the Sheriff's Department for a great event.

Council Member Holloway noted that he receives Google alerts related to the City and was shocked at the number of stories referencing La Puente that are not within the City's jurisdiction. He further noted the increase in graffiti in unincorporated areas.

Council Member Solis noted the soccer players in the park continue to kick the ball against the community center and windows.

Council Member Argudo reported graffiti on League Avenue.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

City Manager Carmany reported that Governor Brown had signed Senate Bill 361 and expressed his thanks to State Senator Hernandez, and the Senator's staff members Alex Norring and Rob Charles, for their work on the legislation. He noted he would be out of the City and state July 21-30, 2017, and Director of Recreation Services Lerma would be acting City Manager.

Mayor Munoz noted her thanks to Senator Hernandez for helping the community and securing funding.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

The City Council recessed into closed session at 8:20 p.m. to continue discussion of Closed Session Item 1.

1. THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS:

Agency Designated Representatives: David Carmany, City Manager and James M. Casso, City Attorney

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RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The City Council reconvened to open session at 9:31 p.m.

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Casso reported that as to Item 1, two 5-0 votes were taken. Direction was given to the City's negotiators, no action was taken and there was nothing further to report.

- D-4 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 17-5353 RESCINDING RESOLUTION 15-5251 AND AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PERSONNEL SYSTEM AND ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED PART-TIME POSITIONS AND HOURLY RATES FOR CITY EMPLOYEES

City Attorney Casso noted for the record that this item was not discussed in closed session and does not pertain to the bargaining unit.

A motion was made by Council Member Solis, seconded by Mayor Munoz, to approve Resolution 17-5353 rescinding Resolution 15-5251 establishing the number of authorized part-time positions and hourly rates for City employees. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Munoz, Lewis, Holloway, Solis
NOES:	Argudo
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

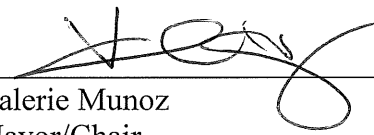
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Munoz adjourned the meeting at 9:34 p.m.

Approved this 25th day of July, 2017.



Sheryl Garcia
Chief Deputy City Clerk



Valerie Munoz
Mayor/Chair