

MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING OF
SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

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 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, September 22, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Klinakis called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Klinakis, Lewis (via teleconference), Munoz (via teleconference), Solis.

Members absent: None.

Staff members present: City Manager Bob Lindsey, City Attorney Jamie Casso (via teleconference), Director of Administrative Services Troy Grunklee (via teleconference), Director of Development Services John Di Mario, City Clerk Sheryl Garcia, Director of Community Services Roxanne Lerma (via teleconference), Principal Accountant Alex Merkel-Medina, and Management Assistant Cece Dunlap.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Klinakis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Principal Accountant Merkel-Medina introduced Beland Huang, Partnership Specialist with the Los Angeles Regional Census Center of the U.S. Census Bureau, who provided an update regarding the City's self-response rate and presented a Certificate of Participation to the City for their involvement in the 2020 Census.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

David Argudo spoke regarding the progress of the La Puente Park and stated that he is running for City Council.

BOARDS/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

At the request of Mayor Klinakis, Item E-4 was moved and heard before Item A-1 on the agenda.

E-4 PRESENTATION REGARDING POTENTIAL SAVINGS, BENEFITS, AND RISKS OF BOND ISSUANCE TO FUND PART OR ALL OF UNFUNDED PENSION AND OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (“OPEB”) LIABILITIES

Director of Administrative Services Grunklee introduced Brian Whitworth, Director of Hilltop Securities, Julie Ann Anopol, Municipal Advisor Principal of Willdan Financial Services, and Russ Trice of Norton Rose Fullbright, who provided the City Council with a PowerPoint presentation regarding a potential bond issuance to fund pension and OPEB liabilities.

Staff was directed to bring the item back at the next City Council meeting with the recommended bond structure, corresponding documents and agreements to move forward with the bond issuance to fund pension and OPEB liabilities.

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETINGS

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETINGS OF AUGUST 25 AND SEPTEMBER 10, 2020

A motion was made by Council Member Solis, seconded by Mayor Klinakis, to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the City Council and Successor Agency meeting of August 25 and September 10, 2020. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Munoz, 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 A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020/21 OPERATING BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,000 TO FUND AN ABOVE-GRADE BOWL AT THE IAN C. CALDERON SKATE PARK

At the September 10, 2020, City Council meeting, Council Member Solis requested that this item be brought back for reconsideration to allow Council Member Munoz an opportunity to vote on the item.

Director of Development Services Di Mario provided an update regarding the partnership offer from Spohn Ranch to fund an above-grade bowl at the skate park, and indicated that Spohn Ranch requires a formal commitment from the City before beginning fundraising.

In response to an inquiry by Council Member Munoz, Director Di Mario confirmed that if Spohn Ranch is not able to meet their fundraising benchmark, then the contract with the City is void.

A motion was made by Council Member Munoz, seconded by Council Member Solis, to adopt Resolution No. 20-5582 amending the adopted Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2020/21 in the amount of \$35,000. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Klinakis, Munoz, Solis
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Lewis
ABSENT: None

D. CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Klinakis pulled Item D-4 for further discussion.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis pulled Item D-8 for further discussion.

A motion was made by Council Member Solis, seconded by Council Member Munoz, to approve Consent Calendar Items D-1 through D-3 and D-5 through D-7. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Munoz, Solis
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

D-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NO. 1496

Action taken: The City Council and Successor Agency adopted Resolution No. 20-5583 approving Warrant Register No. 1496.

D-2 PRESENTATION OF AUGUST 2020 INVESTMENT REPORT

Action taken: The City Council received and filed this report.

D-3 PRESENTATION OF AUGUST 2020 REQUISITION REPORT

Action taken: The City Council received and filed the report.

D-4 PRESENTATION OF AUGUST 2020 BUDGET REPORT

Mayor Klinakis pulled this item for further discussion.

Principal Accountant Merkel-Medina provided an update regarding revenue and expenditures of the 2020 budget.

Action taken: The City Council received and filed the report.

D-5 CONSIDERATION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE FACILITIES USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LA PUENTE AND ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

Action taken: The City Council: (1) approved Amendment No. 1 to the Facilities Use Agreement between the City of La Puente and St. Joseph School; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Amendment on behalf of the City.

D-6 CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE MAINTENANCE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NATIONWIDE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, A DIVISION OF JOE'S SWEEPING, INC., FOR CATCH BASIN CLEANING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$90,400.00

Action taken: The City Council: (1) approved Amendment No. 1 to the Maintenance Services Agreement with Nationwide Environmental Services in the amount of \$90,400.00; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Amendment on behalf of the City.

D-7 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020--2021 FUNDED BY SB1: THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017

Action taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 20-5584 adopting a list of projects for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 funded by SB1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017.

D-8 CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR ELECTRICAL IMPROVEMENTS AT LA PUENTE PARK

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis pulled this item for further discussion.

Director of Development Services Di Mario provided a staff report regarding soliciting bids for electrical improvements at the La Puente Park. Discussion ensued regarding the bidding process.

A motion was made by Council Member Solis, seconded by Mayor Klinakis, to: (1) approve the plans and specifications for the Electrical Improvements at La Puente Park; and (2) authorize Staff to solicit for bids. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Munoz, Solis
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

E. NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

E-1 PRESENTATION AND UPDATE REGARDING LA PUENTE PARK RULES AND USE

Director of Community Services Lerma provided an update regarding the La Puente Park rules and use.

Due to concerns expressed by Mayor Pro Tem Lewis regarding scheduling of ad hoc committee meetings, Mayor Klinakis requested that Staff strive to schedule meeting times that accommodate all ad hoc committee members.

Action taken: The City Council received and filed the presentation.

E-2 DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING CARES FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Director of Administrative Services Grunklee provided an update regarding Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) provided by the State and requested direction from City Council regarding the expenditure of remaining CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) funds.

Discussion ensued regarding funding for the Great Plates Program and the Business Assistance Grant Program.

Council Member Munoz requested that Staff email City Council with an update on the Los Angeles County rental and mortgage assistance programs and requested that Staff reach out to the County to provide us with the number of La Puente residents that have received assistance from the program. She further recommended that available funds in the future be allocated to the City's Business Assistance Grant program.

Director of Development Services Di Mario noted that Staff has been in communication with the Los Angeles County regarding their rental assistance program and will follow up with them.

In response to an inquiry by Mayor Pro Tem Lewis regarding planned expenditures for Personal Protection Equipment (PPE), Director Grunklee noted the planned expenditures are to ensure that Staff have sufficient PPE such as face masks, hand sanitizers, and gloves.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis requested that the test kit item of the staff report be brought to the Public Health ad hoc committee for further research and information.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis further inquired regarding items 6, 8, and 9 of the staff report.

Council Member Munoz inquired regarding food programs that are available for underserved youth. Director of Community Services Lerma noted that schools in the Hacienda La Puente Unified School District are providing meals to all students, and she will look into additional programs that may offer additional meals to underserved youth.

Mayor Klinakis noted that item 9 of the staff report will be a great addition to the community for providing information.

A motion was made by Mayor Klinakis, seconded by Council Member Solis, to authorize the City Manager to approve purchase orders as may be required by the City's Procurement Policy. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Klinakis, Munoz, Solis
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	Lewis
ABSENT:	None

E-3 DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF LA PUENTE SUPPLEMENTAL SALES TAX REVENUE EXPENDITURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE BYLAWS

At the request of Mayor Pro Tem Lewis at the August 25, 2020, City Council meeting, Director of Administrative Services Grunklee provided a staff report introducing the bylaws for Measure LP Citizens' Oversight Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis requested that the categories and qualifications for membership under Article II of the bylaws be more specific.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lewis, seconded by Council Member Solis, to approve the bylaws. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Klinakis, Lewis, Munoz, Solis
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

At the request of Mayor Klinakis, Item E-4 was moved and heard before Item A-1 on the agenda.

E-5 DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING DEDICATING THE BASKETBALL COURTS AT LA PUENTE PARK IN HONOR OF COUNCIL MEMBER DANIEL C. HOLLOWAY (COUNCIL MEMBER MUNOZ)

Council Member Munoz requested that the City Council consider naming the new basketball courts at the La Puente Park in honor of Council Member Holloway.

Director of Development Services Di Mario provided information on the protocol for the naming of public facilities and specifically, provisions of City Council Resolution 01-4170.

A motion was made by Mayor Klinakis, seconded by Council Member Solis, to dedicate the basketball courts at La Puente Park in honor of Council Member Daniel C. Holloway, notwithstanding Section 4.b of Resolution 01-4170, given the dedication and selfless service of Council Member Holloway. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Klinakis, Lewis, Munoz, Solis
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

The City Council recessed into closed session at 9:42 p.m. to discuss items as posted on the agenda.

1. THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) (One potential case)

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The City Council reconvened to open session at 10:10 p.m.

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Casso reported that as to Item 1, direction was given to the City Attorney's office and no final action was taken.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Mayor Klinakis announced that Council Member Holloway's funeral would be on September 30, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. at the Rose Hills Memorial Park.

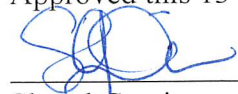
Council Member Munoz reported that she received information on the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority special update to be held on October 1, 2020.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

City Manager Lindsey reported that the San Gabriel & Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy ("RMC") grants have opened for applications. He further reported that Staff is hoping to be one of the first to submit their application, and thanked Staff for their hard work on preparing for the opening of the grant application.

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Klinakis adjourned the meeting at 10:14 p.m.

Approved this 13th day of October, 2020.



Sheryl Garcia
City Clerk



Charlie Klinakis
Mayor/Chair