

MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING OF
JULY 26, 2022

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, July 26, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Klinakis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Klinakis, Munoz (via teleconference), Mendoza (via teleconference), Quinones.

Members absent: Argudo.

Staff members present: City Manager Bob Lindsey, Assistant City Attorney Jesse Jauregui, City Clerk Sheryl Garcia, Director of Administrative Services Troy Grunklee, Director of Development Services John Di Mario (via teleconference), Director of Community Services Alexander Bauman, Finance Manager Alexander Merkel-Medina, Management Assistant Cece Dunlap, Office Specialist Christine Soo and Office Specialist Natalie Romo.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Klinakis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS – None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Joe Batista spoke regarding a previous city council meeting, the sustainability and response of law enforcement services, and community outreach programs at the park.

BOARDS/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETINGS

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETING OF JULY 12, 2022

A motion was made by Mayor Klinakis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Munoz, to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the City Council and Successor Agency meetings of July 12, 2022. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Klinakis, Munoz, Mendoza, Quinones
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Argudo

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL

B-1 CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED INCREASED RATES TO COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE RATES BY VALLEY VISTA SERVICES AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE RATES

Director of Administrative Services Grunklee provided a report regarding the proposed increase in commercial and residential solid waste collection service rates by Valley Vista Services (VVS). He noted that on June 7, 2022, the City mailed Proposition 218 public hearing notices to all record owners or paying tenants of each identified parcel to comply with the 45-day notification requirement.

Mayor Klinakis opened the public hearing. There being no members of the public wishing to speak, Mayor Klinakis closed the public hearing.

Mayor Klinakis inquired regarding the impact that SB 1383 had on the rate increase.

David Perez, the representative of VVS, responded that with the additional cost of processing green waste, increased waste tonnage due to COVID-19, and increased labor rates. Mr. Perez further noted the operating costs have increased more than three percent.

City Clerk Garcia announced that the City received 15 protests, which is less than 50% of the 8,259 eligible parcel owners and/or paying tenants who would have needed to submit written protests on the item.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Munoz, seconded by Council Member Mendoza, to adopt Resolution 22-5740 approving Valley Vista Services' request for a rate increase for solid waste collection services to residential and commercial clients based on the documented increases in the cost to provide solid waste services to the City. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Klinakis, Munoz, Mendoza, Quinones
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Argudo

- C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL – None
- D. CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR

City Manager Lindsey pulled item D-7.

Council Member Quinones pulled items D-9 and D-10 for further discussion.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Munoz, seconded by Council Member Quinones, to approve Consent Calendar Items D-1 through D-6 and D-8. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Klinakis, Munoz, Mendoza, Quinones
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Argudo

- D-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NO. 1534

Action Taken: The City Council and Successor Agency adopted Resolution No. 22-5741 approving Warrant Register No. 1534.

- D-2 PRESENTATION OF JUNE 2022 REQUISITION SUMMARY REPORT

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

- D-3 PRESENTATION OF JUNE 2022 INVESTMENT REPORT

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

- D-4 CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A 30-DAY RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CONDUCT OF TELECONFERENCED MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND OTHER CITY BODIES UNDER THE MODIFIED RULES SET FORTH UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(E) AND OTHER APPLICABLE PROVISIONS AS AMENDED BY AB 361

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 22-5742, authorizing the City Council, City Boards, and all Commissions of the City continue to hold teleconferenced meetings from July 29, 2022, through August 29, 2022.

- D-5 CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE ADDITION TO THE IAN C. CALDERON SKATE PARK AT LA PUENTE PARK

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) accepted the project as complete; and (2) authorized the City Clerk to execute the Notice of Completion.

- D-6 CONSIDERATION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MUNICIPAL WASTE SOLUTIONS FOR SB 1383 IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$57,524.00

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) approved the Agreement with Municipal Waste Solutions for SB 1383 Implementation and Monitoring services in the amount of \$57,524.00; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City.

- D-7 CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT EIGHT CROSSWALK LOCATIONS, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. HSIPL-5331(021)

This item was pulled by City Manager Lindsey to be considered at a future City Council meeting.

- D-8 CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS ON VARIOUS CITY STREETS FY 2020-21

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) accepted the project as complete; (2) authorized the City Clerk to execute the Notice of Completion; and (3) adopted Resolution No. 22-5743 amending the adopted Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

D-9 CONSIDERATION OF A PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT WITH SOUTHWEST MOBILE STORAGE FOR THE PURCHASE OF A SHIPPING CONTAINER OFFICE UNIT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,679.30

This item was pulled by Council Member Quinones for further discussion.

Council Member Quinones inquired if the shipping container would be utilized for the coffee shop at the park. City Manager Lindsey clarified that the shipping container would be used as an office at the maintenance yard.

Mayor Klinakis inquired if the shipping container purchase would utilize pre-allocated funds. Director Grunklee stated that the shipping container purchase would be funded by the Senator Susan Rubio park grant.

A motion was made by Council Member Quinones, seconded by Mayor Klinakis to: (1) approve the purchase order contract with Southwest Mobile Storage for the purchase of a shipping container office unit in the amount of \$27,679.30; and (2) authorize the City Manager to execute, on behalf of the City, all documents necessary to effectuate the purchase order. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Klinakis, Munoz, Mendoza, Quinones
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Argudo

D-10 CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZATION OF AWARD OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO ANOKIA, INC. FOR THE LA PUENTE PARK SNACK BAR TENANT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,500.00

This item was pulled by Council Member Quinones for further discussion.

Council Member Quinones inquired on the funding source for the snack bar improvements and requested a timeline for the project. Director Grunklee stated that the snack bar improvements are funded by the Senator Susan Rubio park grant. City Manager Lindsey noted that the installation would be completed within 30 days of the contract approval and that the snack bar would be operational at that time.

A motion was made by Council Member Quinones, seconded by Mayor Klinakis to: (1) authorize the award of a contract for the La Puente Park snack bar tenant improvement to Anokia, Inc. in the total amount of \$100,500.00; and (2) authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement and approved change orders up to 10% of the original bid amount. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Klinakis, Munoz, Mendoza, Quinones
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Argudo

E. NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

E-1 PRESENTATION OF JUNE 2022 BUDGET REPORT

Finance Manager Merkel-medina provided a report regarding the June 2022 budget.

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

E-2 CONSIDERATION AND AWARD OF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FY 2022-2023

Director of Community Services Bauman provided a report regarding the awarding of nine educational scholarships for FY 2022-2023 and recommended awarding scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each, noting that \$500 would come from the general fund.

Council Member Quinones expressed support for awarding the scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each.

A motion was made by Council Member Quinones, seconded by Mayor Klinakis to award nine (9) scholarships for the 2022-2023 academic year in the amount of \$1,000 each, with the remaining \$500 allocated from the general fund. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Klinakis, Munoz, Mendoza, Quinones
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Argudo

E-3 CONSIDERATION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHLAND TRANSIT INC. FOR FIXED-ROUTE AND DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,261,918 FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM

Director of Development Services Di Mario provided a report regarding a new agreement with Southland Transit Inc. for dial-a-ride and fixed route services. He noted the City has been on a month-to-month contract and the new agreement, if approved, would be for a three-year term.

Mayor Pro Tem Munoz noted that implementing new programs at the park could increase the demand for transit services. She inquired if the bus route service times are flexible to ensure that residents can participate in programs and City events. Jason Snow, Chief Operating Officer from Southland Transit Inc., responded that they are prepared to be more flexible with additional routes.

Mayor Klinakis inquired regarding discussion to add another vehicle to the bus route. Director Grunklee affirmed that in January 2022 a bus had been purchased and reported that the estimated time of arrival is unknown due to delayed lead times.

Discussion ensued regarding the impact of COVID-19 on the use of the transit services, potential bus stop additions to the route, and the funding source for the transit services.

A motion was made by Mayor Klinakis, seconded by Council Member Quinones to: (1) approved the Professional Services Agreement with Southland Transit Inc. for fixed-route and dial-a-ride transit services in the amount of \$2,261,918 for a three-year term; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Klinakis, Munoz, Mendoza, Quinones
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Argudo

E-4 UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING CURRENT AND UPCOMING PROJECTS AT LA PUENTE PARK

City Manager Lindsey provided a report on the installation of solar panel canopies at the La Puente Park parking lot. He further thanked Greenfield for providing a public demonstration on how to use fitness court equipment at the park and announced that another demonstration would take place on August 6, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Klinakis inquired for a timeframe on the installation of shade structures by the soccer field at the park. City Manager Lindsey responded that Innovative Playgrounds Inc., would be providing a list of timeframes for all remaining projects at the park by the next City Council meeting.

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

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Code Enforcement: Nothing to report.

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

Comprehensive Fee Schedule: Nothing to report.

Park Ordinance Oversight: Nothing to report.

Project LEAD: Council Member Quinones reported administration changes within the participating Project LEAD schools and noted his efforts to obtain an updated list from the school board of the new administrative staff.

Community Safety and Welfare: Nothing to report.

Homeless Oversight: Nothing to report.

LPQT Action Committee: Nothing to report.

AB 1234 REPORTS – None

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Mayor Klinakis reminded the public of the job fair at La Puente Park on August 16, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and requested to allocate \$2,000 of his discretionary funds to be used for the event. He thanked City Staff for participating in the City Council meeting and Sheriff Deputies for interacting with residents at the park.

Council Member Quinones thanked Global Urban Strategies, Inc. for improving the City's social media presence. He further thanked the Community Service Staff for organizing summer programs and activities for the community to enjoy. Lastly, he thanked the SAO team for participating in City events and being approachable to those in the community.

Mayor Klinakis recommended purchasing a four-wheel cart that Sheriff Deputies and Staff can use at the park. City Manager Lindsey communicated plans to purchase a cart and noted it would be presented to the City Council for consideration at its next meeting.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

Director of Community Services Bauman announced the National Night Out event to take place on August 2, 2022, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at La Puente City Park.

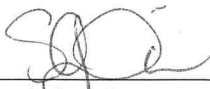
L.A. County Sheriff's Department Sergeant Hernandez provided a report on recent arrests made within City limits.

City Manager Lindsey thanked Staff for their hard work and attending the City Council meeting during their time off.

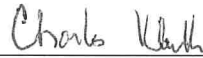
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Klinakis adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Approved this 9th day of August 2022.



Sheryl Garcia
City Clerk



Charlie Klinakis
Mayor/Chair