

MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING OF
AUGUST 9, 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, August 9, 2022, 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, Munoz, Argudo (arrived at 7:02 p.m.), Mendoza, Quinones.

Members absent: None.

Staff members present: City Manager Bob Lindsey, Assistant City Attorney Jesse Jauregui, City Clerk Sheryl Garcia, Director of Development Services John Di Mario, Director of Community Services Alexander Bauman, Finance Manager Alexander Merkel-Medina, Senior Planner Abraham Tellez, and Office Specialist Christine Soo.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Klinakis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Joe Batista expressed his concern regarding a food truck present at community events and further suggested inviting local businesses to participate at City events.

Edgar Reyes submitted a written comment regarding caps on rent increases and helping residents from being displaced from their homes.

Max Gabaldon submitted a written comment regarding caps on rent increases and creating affordable housing units within La Puente.

Ricardo Martinez submitted a written comment regarding his qualification to run for the La Puente City Council, the installation of a speed bump/dip on Main Street, and the installation of a sidewalk for streets near Inyo Street.

PRESENTATIONS

Roy Frausto, from La Puente Valley County Water District, provided a PowerPoint presentation on nitrate treatment in local water basins.

Randy Schollerman, from San Gabriel Basin Water Authority, provided a PowerPoint presentation and update regarding water cleanup in the San Gabriel Valley.

Ryan Johnson, from ALTA Planning, provided a PowerPoint presentation update regarding the Safe Routes to School Master Plan.

BOARDS/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Klinakis reported a notification from San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control regarding a local mosquito testing positive for the West Nile Virus.

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 JULY 26, 2022.

A motion was made by Council Member Argudo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Munoz, to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the City Council and Successor Agency meetings of July 26, 2022. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL - None

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL – None

D. CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Council Member Argudo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Munoz, to approve Consent Calendar Items D-1 through D-4. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

- D-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NO. 1535

Action Taken: The City Council and Successor Agency adopted Resolution No. 22-5744 approving Warrant Register No. 1535.

- D-2 CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CONCRETE CIRCLES, ADJOINING CONCRETE PATHS, AND CONCRETE SEATING AREAS FOR THE OUTDOOR FITNESS AREA 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-3 CONSIDERATION OF A PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT WITH D&D GOLF CARS, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE (3) GOLF CARTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,995

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) approved the purchase order contract with D&D Golf Cars, Inc. for the purchase of three (3) golf carts in the amount of \$34,995; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute, on behalf of the City, all documents necessary to effectuate the purchase order.

- D-4 CONSIDERATION OF THE EDWARD BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM FY 2022 LOCAL SOLICITATION APPLICATION

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) authorized Staff to prepare and submit the City's application for Fiscal Year 2022 Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program funds in support of overtime costs for the City's SAO Team assigned through the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department; and (2) adopted Resolution No. 22-5745 amending the adopted Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2022/23 in the amount of \$11,200 for revenue and expenditures related to the JAG grant allocation.

- E. NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

- E-1 DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING ON-STREET PARKING OPTIONS ADJACENT TO LA PUENTE PARK

Director of Developmental Services John Di Mario introduced Bob Burch from Willdan Engineering and presented on-street parking options on Hacienda Blvd., Temple Ave., and Glendora Ave., adjacent to La Puente Park.

Council Member Argudo requested the total number of the existing parking spaces and the percentage of increase in parking availability that would be produced. Director Di Mario responded that he would acquire that information and provide it at a later date.

Director Di Mario continued to present the on-street parking options adjacent to the park. Mayor Klinakis expressed support for the parking option on Hacienda Blvd. and recommended implementing diagonal parking and a bike lane near the service road entrance on Glendora Ave. He further suggested organizing a site visit with Staff to help identify other parking options on Temple and Glendora Avenue.

Mayor Pro Tem Munoz inquired if implementing parallel parking on Hacienda Blvd. would close off the second traffic lane and if the parking spots would be striped. Director Di Mario confirmed that the parallel parking would close off the second traffic lane. Mr. Burch noted that parking tees and a 3-foot buffer would be implemented between the parking space and travel lanes. Mayor Pro Tem Munoz then expressed support for the parking option on Hacienda Blvd. Moreover, she recommended implementing parallel parking on Glendora Ave. and suggested opening parking on weekends or decreasing the speed limit there. Lastly, she noted that Temple Ave. might be too narrow and crowded for the parking option presented.

Council Member Argudo supported Mayor Klinakis' suggestion to do a site visit with Staff. He further inquired regarding the necessity of the third merging lane on Hacienda Blvd. and suggested using the area to increase parking spots. Mr. Burch noted that a capacity reduction study would need to be conducted before eliminating the merging lane. Moreover, regarding the parking option on Glendora Ave., Council Member Argudo suggested eliminating the restricted parking, exploring one-lane traffic, using angled parking, and implementing a bike lane on that street.

Discussion ensued regarding the Glendora Ave. parking option.

Council Member Mendoza expressed concern for the use of angled parking on Glendora Ave., noting that it would inhibit pedestrian visibility, cause potential loitering near the school campus, and impact access to the food pantry at St. Joseph's church. She recommended further analyzing the area and the impact it would have.

The City Council reached a consensus to implement the parking option on Hacienda Blvd., conduct a site visit on Temple and Glendora Ave., and get an update on the percentage of increase in parking availability.

Director Di Mario noted that the reconfiguration of the parking lot at the Community Center would add a few parking spaces.

E-2 UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING CURRENT AND UPCOMING PROJECTS AT LA PUENTE PARK

City Manager Lindsey reported that the installation of the seating wall and planter near St. Joseph's school and the seating wall for the skate park is nearing completion. He noted that the foundation for the maintenance yard building would be poured in shortly. He further mentioned efforts from Director of Community Services Bauman to establish rules and fees for park areas and noted that a meeting with the ad hoc committee would take place.

He specified November 1, 2022, as that target date for the completion of major renovations at the park. He invited the City Council to attend a demonstration of the robotic field line painter. Lastly, he thanked Director Bauman and Staff at the community center for organizing the National Night Out event.

Mayor Klinakis spoke regarding a resident's experience with the temporary lighting at the park and further thanked Staff for taking care of the lighting issues. City Manager Lindsey noted that they are awaiting the delivery of three 300-watt lighting poles to install at the park and other efforts to increase the lighting in the park's dark areas.

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 an upcoming meeting to reconnect with the principals from participating Project LEAD schools.

Community Safety and Welfare: Nothing to report.

Homeless Oversight: Nothing to report.

LPQT Action Committee: Council Member Quinones reported meeting with San Gabriel Valley LGBTQ+ Center and L.A. County Board Supervisor Hilda Solis' office to discuss partnering with the county to expand programming.

Council Member Mendoza expressed her excitement to expand resources and information to the La Puente and other neighboring communities.

AB 1234 REPORTS – None

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

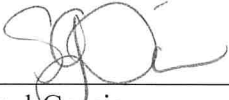
Mayor Klinakis spoke regarding his efforts to provide backpacks and school supplies to distribute at the National Night Out event and thanked Staff for making it possible.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF – None

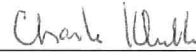
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Klinakis adjourned the meeting at 9:33 p.m.

Approved this 23rd day of August, 2022.



Sheryl Garcia
City Clerk



Charlie Klinakis
Mayor/Chair