

MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
SPECIAL MEETING OF
NOVEMBER 15, 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.lapuente.org.

A Special 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, November 15, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Klinakis called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Members absent: None.

Staff members present: City Manager Bob Lindsey, City Attorney Jesse Jauregui, City Clerk Sheryl Garcia, Director of Administrative Services Troy Grunklee, Director of Development Services John Di Mario, Director of Community Services Alexander Bauman, Finance Manager Alexander Merkel-Medina, Management Analyst Martha Torres, Management Assistant Cece Dunlap, Office Specialist Destiny Rivera, Office Specialist Natalie Romo.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Klinakis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Management Analyst Torres and Director of Development Services Di Mario presented Administrative Assistant Norma Ramirez with an Employee Recognition Award for her 15 years of dedicated service and commitment to the City of La Puente.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Joe B. submitted a written comment regarding the cancellation of City Council meetings and regulations at La Puente Park.

Ricardo Martinez submitted a written comment recommending collaboration with the Hacienda La Puente Unified School District to implement a program for children with disabilities and special needs.

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 MEETINGS OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2022 AND OCTOBER 11, 2022

A motion was made by Council Member Argudo, seconded by Council Member Quinones to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the City Council and Successor Agency meetings of September 27, 2022 and October 11, 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 Council Member Quinones to approve Consent Calendar Items D-1 through D-15. 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 RESOLUTIONS APPROVING WARRANT REGISTERS NOS. 1540 AND 1541

Action Taken: The City Council and Successor Agency adopted Resolution No. 22-5758 approving Warrant Register No. 1540 and Resolution No. 22-5759 approving Warrant Register No. 1541.

D-2 PRESENTATION OF SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2022 REQUISITION SUMMARY REPORTS

Action Taken: The City Council received and filed the reports.

D-3 PRESENTATION OF SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2022 INVESTMENT REPORTS

Action Taken: The City Council received and filed the reports.

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. 22-5760, authorizing the City Council, City Boards, and all Commissions of the City continue to hold teleconferenced meetings from November 14, 2022, through December 14, 2022.

D-5 CONSIDERATION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ADVANCED APPLIED ENGINEERING, INC. FOR ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE WEST RESTROOM AT LA PUENTE PARK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$51,746.00

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) approved the Agreement with Advanced Applied Engineering, Inc. for architectural design and construction support services in the amount of \$51,746.00; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City.

D-6 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION CHAPTER 3.68 OF THE LA PUENTE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING PUBLIC PARKS AND FACILITIES

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 22-979 Amending Chapter 3.68 of the La Puente City Municipal Code Regarding Public Parks and Facilities.

D-7 CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF FINAL PARCEL MAP NO. 82347 AND SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 658 DEL VALLE AVENUE

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) found that Final Parcel Map No. 82347 complies with all of the Conditions of Approval set forth within Tentative Parcel Map No. 82347; (2) approved the attached Subdivision Improvement Agreement and authorized the City Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the City; and (3) approved the Final Map and authorized the City Clerk to endorse the cover sheet of the Final Map, the certificate which embodies the approval of said Map for recordation with the County of Los Angeles.

- D-8 CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SUPERIOR SECURITY SPECIALISTS, INC. DBA SUPERIOR ALARM SYSTEMS FOR SECURITY CAMERAS AND SPEAKER SYSTEM AT LA PUENTE PARK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$132,900.00

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) approved Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement with Superior Security Specialists, Inc., dba Superior Alarm Systems in the amount of \$132,900.00; (2) and authorized the City Manager to execute the Amendment and approved change orders up to 10% of the original bid amount on behalf of the City.

- D-9 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION DECLARING AS SURPLUS PROPERTY FOUR VEHICLES IN THE CITY'S FLEET, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE SURPLUS VEHICLES BY ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT FOR THE SALE OF THE VEHICLES

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) adopted Resolution No. 22-5761 and declared as surplus property, four vehicles in the City's fleet, authorizing the sale of the surplus vehicle at auction; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Agreements on behalf of the City.

- D-10 CONSIDERATION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH EMERGENCY PLANNING CONSULTANTS FOR THE PREPARATION OF A HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) approved the Agreement with Emergency Planning Consultants for preparation of a Hazard Mitigation Plan in the amount of \$50,000.00; (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City; and (3) approved Resolution No. 22-5762 amending the Fiscal Year 2022/23 Operating Budget.

- D-11 CONSIDERATION OF AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO TOWO ENTERPRISE INC. FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT EIGHT CROSSWALK LOCATIONS, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. HSIPL-5331(021), IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,042,198

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) awarded the contract to TOWO Enterprise Inc. in the amount of \$1,042,198; (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Agreement and approve change orders up to 10% of the original bid amount; and (3) adopted Resolution No. 22-5763 amending the Fiscal Year 2022/23 Capital Budget.

- D-12 CONSIDERATION OF AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO NPG CORPORATION FOR COMMUNITY CENTER PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT \$200,989.00

Action taken: The City Council: (1) awarded the contract to NPG Corporation in the amount of \$200,989.00; (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Agreement and approve change orders up to 10% of the original bid amount; and (3) adopted Resolution No. 22-5764.

D-13 CONSIDERATION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH SEMPER ANTICUS FOR THE OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF AN OPEN-AIR MARKET

Action taken: The City Council: (1) approved the Professional Services and License Agreement with Semper Anticus; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Amendment on behalf of the City.

D-14 CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF A PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT WITH ANTROPY INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT FORTINET SWITCHES & NETWORK SECURITY DEVICES

Action taken: The City Council: (1) approved a purchase order contract in the amount of \$71,426.06 with Antropy, Inc. for the purchase of all new Fortinet hardware plus the additional \$7,500 to properly setup and install the devices for a total of \$78,926.06; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute, on behalf of the City, all documents necessary to effectuate this action.

D-15 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MASTER AGREEMENT AND PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. HSIPL-5331(021) FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AT EIGHT CROSSWALK LOCATIONS

Action taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 22-5765 approving Master Agreement No. 07-5331F15 and Program Supplement Agreement No. F014 for construction of Pedestrian Safety Improvements at Eight Crosswalk Locations and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the Agreements on behalf of the City.

E. NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

E-1 PRESENTATION OF SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2022 BUDGET REPORTS

Finance Manager Merkel-Medina provided a report of the September and October 2022 budget reports.

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

E-2 CONSIDERATION OF AWARD OF YOUTH WORKFORCE GRANT SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENTS TO DELHAVEN COMMUNITY CENTER, GOODWILL SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSERVATION CORPS.

City Manager Lindsey introduced discussion for the item and acknowledged the Programs Reemployment Outreach and Services Team and Grant Specialist Gisela Rubio for their successful efforts and work to develop the youth employment program.

Community Resource Technician Kimberly Cardona provided a brief report regarding the procurement process for the selected community-based organizations. Representatives from Delhaven Community Center, Goodwill Southern California, and the San Gabriel Valley Conservation Corps. provided presentations about their organizations scope of work and services that will be provided through the City's youth employment program.

The City Council thanked the representatives for their presentations and City Staff for their efforts to develop the youth workforce program.

Discussion ensued regarding the origin of the funding for the program.

A motion was made by Mayor Klinakis, seconded by Council Member Argudo to: (1) award subrecipient agreements to Delhaven Community Center, Goodwill Southern California, and San Gabriel Valley Conservation Corps; and (2) authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary to effectuate these agreements. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

E-3 DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING THE MELLOW MAN ACE EDUTAINMENT ARTS PROGRAM (COMMUNITY SAFETY AND WELFARE AD HOC COMMITTEE)

Council Member Quinones provided a brief introduction to the Edutainment Arts Program that would be provided by Mellow Man Ace and other well-known artists in the music industry. He specified that the program is a 10-week comprehensive modern music learning experience for kids aged 8 to 21 that would conclude with a showcase.

Council Member Argudo expressed excitement for the program and stated that it would be an opportunity to expand park programming into the arts. He noted it would teach students about song structure, fundamentals of rhyming, creating hooks and verses, utilizing English and Spanish to write songs, developing stage presence, artistic identity, and music production.

City Manager Lindsey provided a video presentation introducing the music professionals and program instructors Mellow Man Ace, Abby Loces, and Bronek Wroblewski.

Mellow Man Ace and Abby Loces gave a brief overview of their accomplishments in the music industry and divulged their intended music philosophy and teachings for the program to the City Council.

City Manager Lindsey stated that Staff is requesting for \$50,000 of funding for the program. Council Member Argudo requested to allocate \$30,000 of his discretionary American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to the program. He introduced discussion regarding fulfillment of the classrooms. Discussion ensued regarding student outreach, classroom sizing, and making the program permanent. City Manager Lindsey stated that the remaining \$20,000 would be funded utilizing ARPA funds.

Action Taken: The City Council discussed the item and provided Staff with direction.

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: Nothing to report.

Community Safety and Welfare: Nothing to report.

Homeless Oversight: Nothing to report.

LPQT Action Committee: Council Member Quinones provided a report on the ad hoc committee's collaboration with the L.A. County and San Gabriel Valley LGBTQ+ Center to host and organize a convening of City Council members from surrounding cities, and other elected officials to discuss state policies, federal legislations, and data regarding the development of resources for the LGBTQ+ community.

Adaptive Sports League Enrichment and Oversight Committee: Nothing to report.

AB1234 REPORTS – None.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

In response to an e-comment submitted, Council Member Quinones noted the City Council and Staff's work to establish park programming for children with special needs. He also shared the importance of acknowledging, celebrating, and uplifting the transgender community during Trans Awareness Week.

Council Member Argudo congratulated Mayor Klinakis, Mayor Pro Tem Munoz, and Council Member Mendoza for their victories in the November 8, 2022, general election.

Mayor Klinakis thanked City Staff for their hard work and effort the past few weeks. He further wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and reminded the community of the Annual Christmas Parade on December 2, 2022.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

City Manager Lindsey reported that Staff are working on adaptive and special needs programming at La Puente Park. He also noted that the new playgrounds at La Puente Park were constructed for children with special needs and disabilities. He reported to the City Council several dangerous vandalisms involving plumbing acid on the windows of local businesses. He requested the public's help in identifying the perpetrators and suggested that the City Council consider placing a reward for the identification of the person. Mayor Klinakis demonstrated support for the suggestion. Council Member Argudo also supported the suggestion and inquired if the City Council could legally provide a reward. City Attorney Jauregui confirmed the City Council's authority to do so and noted he would discuss with the City Manager Lindsey to identify the origin of those funds.

Mayor Klinakis requested a report on the snack bar renovation. City Manager Lindsey reported that a soft opening would take place to test the snack bar operations on customer service and food quality.

City Manager Lindsey further discussed a joint-use agreement with Bassett Unified School District to implement a pocket park at Bassett High School. City Attorney Jauregui reported ongoing negotiations with the district's legal counsel on a master facility joint-use agreement and noted that it was 90 percent done.

Mayor Klinakis mentioned a concern posted on social media regarding the closure of the La Puente Park soccer field. City Manager Lindsey addressed the matter and stated that the closure was due to re-occurring vandalism of the soccer field that triggered necessary repairs. Director Di Mario updated the City Council on the temporary closure of the basketball courts due to surface damage repair and to add additional stripping for pickleball courts.

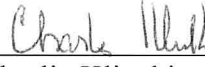
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Klinakis adjourned the meeting at 11:07 a.m.

Approved this 13th day of December, 2022.



Sheryl Garcia
City Clerk



Charlie Klinakis
Mayor/Chair