MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
CLOSED SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF
JANUARY 10, 2023

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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, January 10, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

6:00 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Klinakis called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:	Klinakis, Munoz, Argudo, Mendoza, Quinones.
Members absent:	None.
Staff members present:	City Manager Bob Lindsey, City Attorney Jesse Jauregui, City Clerk Sheryl Garcia, Director of Administrative Services Troy Grunklee (via teleconference), Director of Development Services John Di Mario, Management Assistant Cece Dunlap, Office Specialist Adriana Jaimez, Office Specialist Destiny Rivera, and Office Specialist Natalie Romo.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Munoz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – None.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

The City Council recessed into closed session at 6:06 p.m. to discuss the item as posted on the agenda.

CLOSED SESSION

1. THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 54954.5(b) & 54956.8, CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS:

   Property: APN 8247-032-023; Vacant Lot – Valley Boulevard and Old Valley Boulevard
   City Negotiators: Bob Lindsey, City Manager and John Di Mario, Director of Development Services
   Negotiating Party: TCH GROUP LA PUENTE LLC; Diana Cheng, Broker
   Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The City Council reconvened to open session at 6:35 p.m.

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Jauregui reported that the City Council met in closed session pursuant to section 54954.5(b) and 54956.8. He specified that the City was provided further direction with respect to potential acquisitions subject to conditions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Klinakis adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

7:00 P.M. REGULAR SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Klinakis called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:	Klinakis, Munoz, Argudo, Mendoza, Quinones.
Members absent:	None.
Staff members present:	City Manager Bob Lindsey, City Attorney Jesse Jauregui, City Clerk Sheryl Garcia, Director of Administrative Services Troy Grunklee (via teleconference), Director of Development Services John Di Mario, Director of Community Services Alexander Bauman, Finance Manager Alexander Merkel-Medina, Associate Planner Juan Galvan, Management Assistant Cece Dunlap, Office Specialist Adriana Jaimez, Office Specialist Destiny Rivera, and Office Specialist Natalie Romo.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Quinones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Director of Community Services Bauman presented certificates of recognition to the La Puente Girls' Softball League for their organization of the Toys for Tots Softball Tournament and their donation of toys and gift cards to the City of La Puente.

Mayor Klinakis presented the La Puente Girls' Softball League with a certificate of recognition for their efforts in the Toys for Tots Softball Tournament and donations of toys and gift cards. He noted that children from the La Puente community were able to receive a brand-new toy to enjoy the holiday season.

Mayor Klinakis recessed the meeting at 7:07 p.m. to take pictures with the La Puente Girls' Softball League and reconvened at 7:15 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Kyle Miller, representative for State Senator Bob Archuleta, introduced himself to the La Puente community and the City Council. He expressed excitement for building a proactive and involved partnership with the City of La Puente for years to come.

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 DECEMBER 13, 2023

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 December 13, 2023. 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

B-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24

Director of Development Services Di Mario gave an annual report regarding the Community Development Block Grant expenditures. He noted that the Department of Housing and Urban Development allocated $312,000 to the City for fiscal year 2023-24. He further recommended that the City Council continue the utilization of the CDBG monies to fund the City's senior services, housing rehabilitation, and code enforcement programs.

Mayor Klinakis opened the public hearing at 7:22 p.m. There being no members of the public wishing to speak, Mayor Klinakis closed the public hearing.

In response to Council Member Mendoza's inquiry regarding clarification on unprogrammed funds, Director Di Mario explained the unprogrammed funds are either unspent from the current year or they are CDBG loans that were loaned out in prior years. He noted that as homes are sold or refinanced the CDBG monies return to the City as program income, unprogrammed, or unallocated funds that can be utilized towards any program the City Council chooses, such as the code enforcement programs.

A motion was made by Mayor Klinakis, seconded by Council Member Argudo, to adopt Resolution No. 23-5769 authorizing the City's CDBG Program for Fiscal Year 2023-24. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

B-2 (1) CONSIDERATION OF AN URGENCY ORDINANCE, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 36937, ADOPTING BY REFERENCE, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 50022.2, TITLE 26 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUILDING CODE, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE 2022 EDITION; TITLE 28 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PLUMBING CODE INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA PLUMBING CODE 2022 EDITION; TITLE 27 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY ELECTRICAL CODE, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE 2022 EDITION; TITLE 29 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MECHANICAL CODE, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA MECHANICAL CODE 2022 EDITION; TITLE 30 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTIAL CODE, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA RESIDENTIAL CODE 2022 EDITION; TITLE 31 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA GREEN BUILDING CODE 2022 EDITION;

TITLE 33 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY EXISTING BUILDING CODE; INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA EXISTING BUILDING CODE; AND ADOPTING LOCAL AMENDMENTS THERETO, AND MAKING FINDINGS FOR SAME, AND DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF; AND

(2) INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING BY REFERENCE, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 50022.2, TITLE 26 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUILDING CODE, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE 2022 EDITION; TITLE 28 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PLUMBING CODE INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA PLUMBING CODE 2022 EDITION; TITLE 27 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY ELECTRICAL CODE, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE 2022 EDITION; TITLE 29 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MECHANICAL CODE, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA MECHANICAL CODE 2022 EDITION; TITLE 30 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTIAL CODE, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA RESIDENTIAL CODE 2022 EDITION; TITLE 31 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA GREEN BUILDING CODE 2022 EDITION; TITLE 33 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY EXISTING BUILDING CODE; INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CALIFORNIA EXISTING BUILDING CODE; AND ADOPTING LOCAL AMENDMENTS THERETO, AND MAKING FINDINGS FOR SAME

Director Di Mario provided a staff report on the urgency and non-urgency ordinances regarding the incorporation of the updated Los Angeles County Building Code.

Mayor Klinakis opened the public hearing at 7:28 p.m. There being no members of the public wishing to speak, Mayor Klinakis closed the public hearing.

Discussion ensued regarding the building codes, and new legislation regarding plumbing and electrical in residential and commercial areas.

A motion was made by Mayor Klinakis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Munoz to: (1) open the public hearing and take public testimony; (2) waive reading of Urgency Ordinance No. 23-980 and read by title only; and (3) adopt Ordinance No. 23-980 - An Urgency Ordinance of the City Council of the City of La Puente, California, adopting by reference, pursuant to Government Code Section 50022.2, Title 26 of the Los Angeles County Building Code, incorporating by reference the California Building Code 2022 Edition; Title 28 of the Los Angeles County Plumbing Code incorporating by reference the California Plumbing Code 2022 Edition; Title 27 of the Los Angeles County Electrical Code, incorporating by reference the California Electrical Code 2022 Edition; Title 29 of the Los Angeles County Mechanical Code, incorporating by reference the California Mechanical Code 2022 Edition; Title 30 of the Los Angeles County Residential Code, incorporating by reference the California Residential Code 2022 Edition; Title 31 of the Los Angeles County Green Building Standards Code, incorporating by reference the

California Green Building Code 2022 Edition; Title 33 of the Los Angeles County Existing Building Code; incorporating by reference the California Existing Building Code; and adopting local amendments thereto, and making findings for same, and declaring the urgency thereof. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

A motion was made by Mayor Klinakis, seconded by Council Member Argudo to: (1) waive the reading of Ordinance No. 23-981 and read by title only; (2) introduce Ordinance No. 23-981 - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of La Puente, California, adopting by reference, pursuant to Government Code Section 50022.2, Title 26 of the Los Angeles County Building Code, incorporating by reference the California Building Code 2022 Edition; Title 28 of the Los Angeles County Plumbing Code incorporating by reference the California Plumbing Code 2022 Edition; Title 27 of the Los Angeles County Electrical Code, incorporating by reference the California Electrical Code 2022 Edition; Title 29 of the Los Angeles County Mechanical Code, incorporating by reference the California Mechanical Code 2022 Edition; Title 30 of the Los Angeles County Residential Code, incorporating by reference the California Residential Code 2022 Edition; Title 31 of the Los Angeles County Green Building Standards Code, incorporating by reference the California Green Building Code 2022 Edition; Title 33 of the Los Angeles County Existing Building Code; incorporating by reference the California Existing Building Code; and adopting local amendments thereto, and making findings for same; and (3) set the public hearing on Ordinance No. 23-981 for January 24, 2023, in accordance with Government Code Section 50022.3. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Klinakis, Munoz, Argudo, Mendoza, Quinones
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: 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-8. 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. 154

Action Taken: The City Council and Successor Agency adopted Resolution No. 22-5770 approving Warrant Register No. 1543.

D-2 CONSIDERATION OF RE-APPOINTMENT OF CITY MANAGER TO THE CIVIC-RECREATIONAL-INDUSTRIAL AUTHORITY

Action Taken: The City Council re-appointed City Manager Bob Lindsey to the Civic-Recreational-Industrial Authority Board.

D-3 CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 75016 AND SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 14317 BECKNER STREET

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) found that Final Tract Map No. 75016 complies with all of the Conditions of Approval set forth within Tentative Tract Map No. 75016; (2) approved the attached Subdivision Improvement Agreement and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the City; and (3) approved the Final Map and authorize 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-4 CONSIDERATION OF A PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT WITH COASTLINE EQUIPMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A SKID STEER EQUIPMENT PACKAGE FOR THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF $92,296.16

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) approved the purchase order contract with Coastline Equipment for the purchase of a skid steer package in the amount of $92,296.16; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute, on behalf of the City, all documents necessary to effectuate the purchase.

D-5 CONSIDERATION OF A PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT WITH CONTAINER CONCEPTS® FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 20' COFFEE SHOP CONTAINER FOR LA PUENTE PARK IN THE AMOUNT OF $57,750.00

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) approved the purchase order contract with Container Concepts® in the amount of $57,750.00; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Agreement.

D-6 CONSIDERATION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH POLARIS LIGHTING ASSOCIATES FOR COMPREHENSIVE PROFESSIONAL LIGHTING SERVICES FOR THE LA PUENTE COMMUNITY CENTER COURTYARD IN THE AMOUNT OF $166,894.80

Action Taken: The City Council: (1) approved the Professional Service Agreement with Polaris Lighting Associates in the amount of $166,894.80; (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Agreement and approve change orders up to 10% of the original bid amount; and (3) provided any necessary direction to Staff.

D-7 RECEIVE AND FILE THE CITY'S ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Action Taken: The City Council received and filed the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, the Independent Accountant's report on the Appropriations Limit Worksheet, the Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control and Compliance, and the Statement on Auditing Standard No. 114 Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

D-8 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. 23-5772, authorizing the City Council, City Boards, and all Commissions of the City continue to hold teleconferenced meetings from January 14, 2023, through February 14, 2023.

E. NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

E-1 CONSIDERATION OF: (1) APPOINTMENTS TO REGIONAL BOARDS; AND (2) A RESOLUTION APPOINTING SPECIFIC REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Mayor Klinakis made the following appointments to regional boards, commissions, and committees:

Council Member Argudo as the delegate and Council Member Quinones as the alternate to the California Contract Cities Association.

Mayor Klinakis as the delegate and Mayor Pro Tem Munoz as the alternate to Sanitation Districts 15 and 21.

Council Member Argudo as the delegate and Council Member Mendoza as the alternate to the League of California Cities.

Mayor Klinakis as the delegate and Mayor Pro Tem Munoz as the alternate to the City Selection Committee.

Council Member Quinones as the delegate and Council Member Argudo as the alternate to the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments.

Council Member Quinones as the delegate and Mayor Klinakis, Mayor Pro Tem Munoz, Council Member Argudo, and Council Member Mendoza as the alternates to the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority.

Mayor Pro Tem Munoz as the delegate and Mayor Klinakis as the alternate to the Foothill Transit Governing Board.

Mayor Klinakis as the delegate to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District for a 2-year term.

A motion was made by Mayor Klinakis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Munoz to adopt Resolution No. 23-5771 Appointing Specific Representatives to the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

E-2 CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO AD HOC COMMITTEES

Mayor Klinakis established the following ad hoc committees:

Mayor Klinakis and Council Member Mendoza would serve on the Code Enforcement ad hoc committee.

Mayor Klinakis renamed the La Puente Park Master Plan and Youth Program Oversight ad hoc committee to La Puente Park Fees, Ordinance, and Program Oversight and stated that Mayor Pro Tem Munoz and Council Member Quinones would serve on that ad hoc committee.

Mayor Klinakis disbanded the Comprehensive Fee Schedule ad hoc committee.

Mayor Klinakis disbanded the Park Ordinance Oversight ad hoc committee.

Council Member Mendoza and Council Member Quinones would serve on the Project LEAD ad hoc committee.

Mayor Klinakis disbanded the Community Safety and Welfare ad hoc committee.

Mayor Klinakis disbanded the Homeless Oversight ad hoc committee.

Council Member Quinones and Council Member Mendoza would serve on the LPQT Action Committee ad hoc committee.

Mayor Klinakis and Mayor Pro Tem Munoz would serve on the Adaptive Sports League and Enrichment Programs Oversight Committee.

E-3 CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE LA PUENTE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Director of Administrative Services Grunklee provided a report regarding the four vacant seats on the community foundation board.

City Manager Lindsey provided the City Council with appointment recommendations after receiving applications from five (5) qualified applicants. The recommendations were as follows:

- Re-appoint Barouir Deirmenjian for a four-year term.
- Appoint Jose F. Sanchez to replace Gil Anthony Duarte for a four-year term.
- Appoint Marty Paz to replace Samantha Marquez for the term expiring October 28, 2024.
- Appoint Rolando Utz to replace Rajeev Parikh for the term expiring October 28, 2024.

A motion was made by Mayor Klinakis, seconded by Council Member Argudo to approve the following appointments: Barouir Deirmenjian and Jose Francisco Sanchez for four-year terms, Marty Paz and Rolando Utz for the terms expiring on October 28, 2024. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

E-4 UPDATE AND DISCUSSION REGARDING SENIOR AND SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMMING

Director of Community Services Bauman provided an update regarding the senior and special needs programming.

Mayor Pro Tem Munoz spoke regarding the senior outreach events that she attended. She thanked Staff for their initiative in sharing information with senior residents and offering an opportunity for residents to provide feedback.

Council Member Quinones expressed excitement about Staff being proactive with outreaching to senior residents and the special needs programming.

Mayor Pro Tem Munoz acknowledged Staff efforts to provide senior residents with more transportations services and emphasized that Staff should continue to evaluate and improve those transportation opportunities.

Discussion ensued regarding the implementation of transportation services and bus schedules for senior residents.

In response to Mayor Klinakis' inquiry regarding the first event for special needs programming, Director Bauman responded that he foresees bouchée and basketball, but noted it would depend on the number of athletes that are processed in time to participate. Discussion ensued regarding the administrative process of the program, outreach for volunteers, and committee meetings.

E-5 DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING ALLOCATION OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS (MAYOR KLINAKIS AND MAYOR PRO TEM MUNOZ)

Mayor Klinakis introduced discussion regarding short funding at the park and noted that there might be American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds that could be reallocated to cover the short funding. He further inquired if any ARPA funds were being processed. Director Grunklee confirmed that there are items for which council members requested to use their discretionary funds.

Mayor Klinakis inquired if there were any council members wanting to request additional funds from the ARPA funding.

Council Member Quinones requested to earmark $7,500 for the operating costs and programming of the non-profit San Gabriel Valley LGBTQ+ Center.

Council Member Argudo inquired for more information regarding the origin of the short funding at the park and if the necessity of reallocating of the discretionary funds. He also expressed his interest in developing a stand-up comedy youth program at the park and noted that it would require $17,000 to $20,000 in funding. Nonetheless, he supported the reallocation of the ARPA funds to cover the gap in funding at the park. In addition to that, Council Member Mendoza inquired which park was experiencing a shortage of funds.

Mayor Klinakis specified that the shortage of funds is at La Puente Park and inquired from Staff if there was a specific amount that could be reallocated from each Council Member's discretionary funds without impacting funds that are already being processed. Director Grunklee determined that $75,000 could be reallocated that would not impact anything in process.

Discussion ensued regarding the need to fund the multi-purpose activity center at La Puente Park, grant and alternative funding, and the fully funded park projects.

The City Council reached a consensus and provided direction to Staff to earmark $75,000 from each Council Member's discretionary funds to the multi-purpose activity center at La Puente Park.

A motion was made by Council Member Quinones, seconded by Mayor Klinakis, to allocate $7,500 from Council Member Quinones' discretionary funds to the San Gabriel Valley LGBTQ+ Center. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

E-6 DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING PROCEDURES FOR PLACING MATTERS ON MEETING AGENDAS (MAYOR PRO TEM MUNOZ)

Mayor Pro Tem Munoz introduced the item for consideration in regard to making amendments to Resolution No. 95-3662, stating that they would provide more cohesiveness and professionalism on the dais. After explaining the current procedures for placing an item on the agenda, Mayor Pro Tem Munoz recommended the following:

1. Mandatory two (2) council members needed to put any item on the agenda.
2. Include the Mayor to add any two (2) items.
3. Allow only two (2) agenda items per session.
4. Allow Staff appropriate time to prepare for an agenda item and research accordingly to ensure that information reported is accurate.

Mayor Klinakis asked Staff for an appropriate timeline that would provide them time to prepare for items and conduct research.

City Clerk Garcia asked that the City Council permit Staff flexibility when having to conduct extensive research for requested staff reports. City Attorney Jauregui concurred with City Clerk Garcia that Staff be allowed flexibility when preparing for agenda items and acknowledged that the current procedures are dated given that the resolution was approved in 1995. He indicated that there have been several developments in the matter of placing items on the agenda and suggested utilizing reasonable practicality when determining an appropriate timeframe for Staff to prepare for items. Lastly, he noted that an appropriate timeframe would depend on the complexity of the task requested of Staff.

Discussion ensued regarding the procedures for placing items on the City Council agenda.

The City Council reached consensus to allow City Attorney Jauregui to conduct a survey of policies from surrounding cities, and allow Staff to draft a resolution with the recommendations made to be presented and considered at the next City Council meeting.

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: The ad hoc committee reported that Project LEAD would be painting a mural on one of the La Puente Valley Water Board building walls in Downtown La Puente that incorporates its history.

Community Safety and Welfare: Nothing to report.

Homeless Oversight: Nothing to report.

LPQT Action Committee: Nothing to report.

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

AB 1234 REPORTS - None

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Council Member Argudo highlighted that the Foothill Transit, was one of the first agencies in the Los Angeles County to deploy zero-emission hydrogen busses, He proposed transitioning the City's current vehicle fleet to zero-emission vehicles.

Mayor Klinakis thanked Staff for all their work and spoke about the holidays and the new year. Council Member Argudo welcomed back Special Assignment Officer Christian Lopez.

Council Member Quinones thanked Staff for being proactive and the Sheriff's Department for their support. He further suggested acquiring a quote for decorating City Hall for the Halloween season.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

City Manager Lindsey reported the casualty of an older tree at the park due to strong winds and noted that Staff planted two new trees to replace it. In addition to that, he spoke regarding the canopy posts on the bleachers and the projects progress.

Director of Development Services Di Mario reported the beginning of the parking lot rehabilitation project. He specified that the project would take about two weeks of construction working days.

Council Member Argudo spoke regarding the Suicide Awareness event at the Industry Hills Expo Center being hosted by Delhaven Community Center on February 4, 2023 and requested that it be posted on the City's social media. Lastly, he extended his condolences to Mayor Klinakis and requested that the meeting be adjourned in honor and memory of Bill Klinakis.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Klinakis adjourned the meeting in honor and memory of Bill Klinakis at 9:06 p.m.

Approved this 24th day of January, 2023.

Sheryl Garcia
City Clerk

Charlie Klinakis
Mayor/Chair