

MINUTES
OXNARD CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
July 6, 2021

A. ROLL CALL, POSTING OF AGENDA

At 4:30 p.m., Mayor John C. Zaragoza called to order the regular meeting of the Oxnard City Council, in the City Hall Council Chambers at 305 W. Third Street, Oxnard, California. The City Clerk called the roll and announced the posting of the agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Bryan A. MacDonald and Councilmembers Gabriela Basua, Vianey Lopez, Oscar Madrigal, Bert E. Perello, Gabriel (Gabe) Teran were present via videoconference. Mayor Zaragoza was present in person.

Staff members present in person were Alexander Nguyen, City Manager; Stephen M. Fischer, City Attorney; and Rose Chaparro, City Clerk.

Staff members Ashley Golden, Assistant City Manager; Shiri Klima, Deputy City Manager; Adam Smith, Project Manager; Jason Zaragoza, Deputy City Attorney; Jason Benites, Police Chief; Denise Shadinger, Assistant Chief of Police; Eric Sonstegard, Assistant Chief of Police; Police Commander Timothy Kelley; Senior Officer Jeffrey Kay; Police Officer Corbin Hames; John Colamarino, Assistant Fire Chief; Brian Yanez, Acting Public Works Director; Steve Howlett, Assistant Public Works Director; Tatiana Arnaout, Senior Civil Engineer; Todd Vasquez-Housley, Environmental Resources Division Manager; Kevin Thompson, Parks Manager; Chris Peyton, Water Division Operations Manager; Emilio Ramirez, Housing Director; Vyto Adomaitis, Community Development Director; Kathleen Mallory, Planning & Sustainability Manager; Renee Rakestraw, Community Services Manager; Eden Alomeri, Billing & Licensing Director participated via videoconference.

Karen Schmidt, Regional Affairs Manager and Tyler Aguirre, Customer Programs Manager, with Clean Power Alliance also participated via videoconference.

THE FOLLOWING LEGISLATIVE BODIES ARE MEETING: City Council

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Public comments were received from Debbie Mitchell (C.3)

C. CLOSED SESSION (4:30 PM)

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL — EXISTING LITIGATION

(Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))

Name of case: In Re Purdue Pharma, L.P., et al.

United States Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of New York, Case No. 19-23649 (RDD)

Legislative Body: City Council

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

(Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2))

Based on existing facts and circumstances, there is significant exposure to litigation against the City in one potential case.

Legislative Body: City Council

3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code section 54957)

Title: City Manager

This item is to be discussed in closed session under the Brown Act exception of Government Code section 54957(b)(1) (public employee performance evaluation).

Legislative Body: City Council

4. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code section 54957)

Title: City Attorney

This item is to be discussed in closed session under the Brown Act exception of Government Code section 54957(b)(1) (public employee performance evaluation).

Legislative Body: City Council

At 4:33 p.m., the City Council recessed to a closed session. At 6:05 p.m., the City Council reconvened in open session in the Council Chambers. The City Attorney announced that there were no reportable actions out of closed session.

D. OPENING CEREMONIES (6:08 PM)

The flag salute was followed by a moment of silence.

E. CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1. SUBJECT: Presentation of a Proclamation Designating the Month of July, 2021 as "Parks and Recreation Month."

Mayor Zaragoza read the proclamation and presented it to Angela Whitecomb, Chair of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission, who made some remarks. City staff Kevin Thompson, Parks Manager and Renee Rakestraw, Community Services Manager were also present and made remarks.

2. SUBJECT: Recognition of Oxnard Police Department officers who received the "Medal of Merit" and the "Investigator of the Year Award" from the Peace Officers Association of Ventura County.

Mayor Zaragoza read the proclamation and presented it to Police Commander Timothy Kelley,

Senior Officer Jeffrey Kay, and Police Officer Corbin Hames which made some remarks. Police Chief Jason Benites was also present and made some remarks.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Public comments were received from Lucy Cartagena (homeless issues/concerns), Douglas Partello (volunteer landscape work), Kate Woertman (short-term rental rules), Francisco Jaena (safety and homeless issues/concerns), and Ray Blattel (fireworks/safety concerns). Written comments were also received from Ray Blattel (fireworks).

G. REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

1. City Manager Department

SUBJECT: COVID-19 Update from Director of Emergency Services. (10/5/5)

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receive and file an update from the Director of Emergency Services on the COVID-19 Local Emergency.

The City Manager gave a report on the City's COVID-19 response. No formal action was required.

2. City Manager Department

SUBJECT: List of City Manager Approved Contracts - Informational Only (0/5/5)

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receive and file the list of City Manager approved contracts for the period November 20, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

The City Manager gave a report. Information only, no formal action was required.

H. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Perello attended the Dunes Neighborhood meeting and they requested that the shrubs along Harbor Boulevard be trimmed. He acknowledged and thanked Lucy Cartagena and Francisco Jaena for volunteering their time and being part of the Homeless Commission. He is grateful for Fire Chief Hamilton for his service and assisting with the Surfside disaster in Florida. He is also concerned about the safety traffic issues on Vineyard Avenue due to extensive car racing in that area.

Councilmember Madrigal attended the Grand Re-Opening of the Senior Center located on Marquita Street in La Colonia community. He also attended the Rose Park Neighborhood meeting. Mr. Alfonso Arroyo was elected new chair during this meeting. He reported that City staff continues the repair the work on the streets in the La Colonia neighborhood, and work is also starting on the new high school on Del Sol.

Councilmember Teran also thanked and acknowledged Fire Chief Hamilton for his service and assistance at the Surfside disaster where a 12-story residential building partially collapsed in South Florida. He is also concerned about the traffic speeding on C Street, Roderick and

Robert Streets. Vehicles are driving by faster than the posted speed limits and vehicles are illegally parking by the two way stop. Councilmember Teran announced that he and Councilmember Perello will be working with the County of Ventura and City staff to hold a community meeting to inform the public on the SCR-1 Levy project. He also thanked the organizers and City staff which organized and put in all the work to assist in making the Black Lives Matter (BLM) event happen which was a great event of inclusiveness for our community.

Mayor Zaragoza announced that he also attended with Councilmember Madrigal the Grand Re-Opening of the Senior Center in La Colonia. He thanked the Oxnard Police Department for their efforts to keep the community safe during the Fourth of July holiday. He reported that Campus Park will be cleaned-up, the grass will be mowed and the weeds will be pulled. He also thanked Chief Hamilton for his service and assistance during the Surfside Florida disaster.

I. REVIEW OF INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

Items K-1 through K-7 were discussed among the Council and staff.

J. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

Public comments were received from Lucy Cartagena (K.3) and Erik Fruth (K.3).

K. INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Clerk Department

SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve the minutes of the January 5, 2021 and January 25, 2021 regular meetings as presented.

2. Community Development Department

SUBJECT: City of Oxnard Participation in Clean Power Alliance Power Ready Program (Solar and Battery Backup) for the Building Located at 214 South C Street (Service Center). (0/10/5)

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council support the City's continued evaluation of participation in the Clean Power Alliance Power Ready Program for the installation of solar roof top photovoltaic and battery storage to support building operations at 214 South C Street (aka "the Service Center"). (Community Services, Public Safety, Housing & Development Committee approved 3-0.)

3. Police Department

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Agreement with the Oxnard Community K-9 Foundation, and Acceptance of Equipment in the amount of \$265,000.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt **Resolution No. 15,474** accepting a donation of one (1) Lenco BearCat rescue vehicle to the City of Oxnard, for use by the Oxnard Police Department, and authorizing the Mayor to execute a

Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Oxnard Community K-9 Foundation relating to the City's use of the same. (This item did not originate in Committee.)

4. Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Third Amendment to Agreement A-7974 with the County of Ventura Work Release Program.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a Third Amendment to Agreement A-7974 with the County of Ventura to extend the term to July 18, 2024 for maintenance tasks and special projects. (Public Works and Transportation Committee approved 3-0.)

5. Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Purchase Order #8093 with Famcon Pipe & Supply, Inc. for Water Infrastructure Parts and Supplies.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute Purchase Order #8093 with Famcon Pipe & Supply, Inc. for water infrastructure parts and supplies in the amount not to exceed \$550,000 for a one-year term with an option to extend for an additional year. (Public Works and Transportation Committee approved 3-0.)

6. Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Approve Caltrans Project Specific Maintenance Agreement A-8251, Third Amendment to Agreement A-8094 with WKE, Inc., and First Amendment to Agreement A-8017 with the County of Ventura for the Rice Avenue at Fifth Street/State Route 34 Grade Separation Project.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

1. Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute Agreement A-8251 between the State of California Department of Transportation and the City of Oxnard for roadway and bridge maintenance on Rice Avenue over State Route 34;
2. Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a Third Amendment to WKE, Inc. Agreement A-8094, to increase the amount by \$96,316.76, for a new not to exceed contract value of \$9,005,397.70 to complete the Plans, Specification and Estimates for Project 133101; and
3. Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a First Amendment to County of Ventura Agreement A-8017, to increase the amount by \$154,962.26, for a new not to exceed contract value of \$654,962.26 to provide project management assistance associated with Project 133101. (Public Works and Transportation Committee approved 3-0.)

7. Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Purchase Order #8098 with Accent Packaging, Inc. dba Accent Wire-Tie to Supply and Deliver Bale Wire for the Del Norte Regional Recycling and Transfer

Station.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute Purchase Order #8098 with Accent Packaging, Inc. dba Accent Wire-Tie in the amount not to exceed \$375,000 for the supply and delivery of bale wire for a three-year term ending June 30, 2024. (Public Works and Transportation Committee approved 3-0.)

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem MacDonald, seconded by Councilmember Madrigal, to approve the Information/Consent items as presented. VOTE: MacDonald, Perello, Basua, Madrigal, Zaragoza, Teran, and Lopez voted in favor; motion passed 7-0.

L. REPORTS

1. City Manager Department

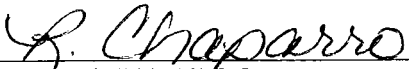
SUBJECT: Introduction of American Rescue Plan Act's Local Government Recovery Decision Making Timeline.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receives and files this informational report about the City's timeline to make decisions on investments of the American Rescue Plan Act's local government recovery funds.

Alexander Nguyen, City Manager, presented. Shiri Klima, Deputy City Manager; Jason Zaragoza, Deputy City Attorney; and Adam Smith, Project Manager answered questions. No public comments were received. Discussion ensued among the Council and staff. No formal action was required.

M. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business on the agenda, and without objection, Mayor Zaragoza adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.


ROSE CHAPARRO
City Clerk


JOHN C. ZARAGOZA
Mayor