

MINUTES
OXNARD CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
April 24, 2018

A. ROLL CALL/POSTING OF AGENDA

At 5:03 p.m., Mayor Flynn called to order the regular meeting of the Oxnard City Council (concurrently with the Oxnard Community Development Commission Successor Agency) in the City Hall Council Chambers, 305 W. Third Street, Oxnard, California. The City Clerk called the roll and announced the posting of the agenda. Councilmembers Bryan A. MacDonald, Oscar Madrigal, Bert Perello, Mayor Pro Tem Carmen Ramirez, and Mayor Tim Flynn were present.

Staff members present were Scott Whitney, Interim City Manager/Police Chief; Stephen Fischer, City Attorney; Jesús Nava, Assistant City Manager; Ashley Golden, Interim Assistant City Manager; and Michelle Ascencion, City Clerk.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Public comments were received from Armando Vasquez, Kathryn King, and Barbara Macri-Ortiz.

C. CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Flynn read the following closed session statement:

“The City Council will recess to a closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4), based on existing facts and circumstances, to decide whether to initiate litigation in one potential case.

The Successor Agency and City Council will recess to a closed session, pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8, to give instructions to its real property negotiators, Ashley Golden, Interim Assistant City Manager, and Kymberly Horner, Economic Development Director, concerning negotiations with Henry Casillas for Heritage Homes, LLC and Alex Glasscock for The Ranch regarding the potential sale of Successor Agency and City properties located at 425 South B Street, 318 West Fifth Street, 321 West Sixth Street, and 538 South B Street.”

At 5:13 p.m., the City Council recessed to a closed session. At 6:06 p.m. the City Council reconvened in open session in the Council Chambers. The City Attorney made the following announcement: “The Successor Agency and Council instructed their negotiators to reject the proposals and notify all interested parties that last and final offers for the subject properties are to be submitted, with specific purchase prices for each property, by Friday, May 11 at 4:00 p.m. A press release with more specifics regarding this instruction will be issued as well.”

D. OPENING CEREMONIES

The flag salute was followed by a moment of silence.

Additional staff members present at this time were Art Gutierrez, Facilities Maintenance

Supervisor; Phillip Molina, City Treasurer; Jim Throop, Chief Financial Officer; Eden Alomeri, Assistant City Treasurer; and Tammy Gutierrez, Treasury Supervisor.

E. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

1. SUBJECT: Presentation of a Proclamation Designating April 26, 2018 as "Arbor Day."

Mayor Flynn read the proclamation and presented it to the Facilities Maintenance Supervisor, who made some remarks and thanked the Council.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Public comments were received from Harold Ceja (upcoming recall election), Armando Vasquez (Successor Agency properties), Jackie Tedeschi (recent and upcoming neighborhood council meetings), Lupe Anguiano (upcoming recall election), Gloria Roman (upcoming recall election), Al Velasquez (upcoming recall election), William Terry (upcoming recall election), Michael Gleason (West Village landscape maintenance district), Dan Pinedo (upcoming recall election), Steve Nash (upcoming recall election), Martin Jones (upcoming recall election), Pete Placencia (La Colonia Boxing Gym, upcoming recall election), Marisela Hancock (homelessness issues), Daniel Chavez Jr. (upcoming recall election), and Pat Brown (upcoming recall election).

G. REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

The Interim City Manager announced various upcoming meetings and special events, and provided program updates. He highlighted the upcoming Ventura County Small Business Expo at the PACC and showed a video on the SCR-3 Levee.

The City Clerk gave an update on the upcoming May 1, 2018 Special Election.

H. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Madrigal commented on the passing of School House Rock creator Bob Dorough; upcoming meetings of the Oxnard Downtown Improvement District and La Colonia Neighborhood Council; recent meetings of the Carnegie Art Museum and Rose Park and Southwinds neighborhood councils; the Northside Little League; and encouraged people to vote in the May 1st Special Election.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramirez commented on the Oxnard PAL annual awards dinner, the defeat of the Puente power plant proposal, the City's arts grants, homeless issues, encouraged people to vote in the May 1st Special Election, and expressed well wishes to Larry Stein.

Councilman MacDonald encouraged people to vote in the May 1st Special Election.

Councilmember Perello commented on the recent Orchard Park, Southbank, and Cypress neighborhood council meetings; a recent Ventura Regional Sanitation District meeting; the Rio Manor wells and a recent fire in that area. He encouraged people to vote in the May 1st Special Election and commented on the information contained in a recent campaign mailer. He commented on homelessness, mental health, and public safety.

Mayor Flynn wished Larry Stein a speedy recovery, and commented on the homeless crisis, mental health care, and public safety.

I. REPORTS

City Treasurer Department

1. SUBJECT: Quarterly Investment Report for the Third Quarter FY 2017-18.
RECOMMENDATION: That City Council receive, accept and file the Third Quarter City Treasurer's Investment Report.

The City Treasurer gave a report. Discussion ensued among the Council and staff. No action was taken.

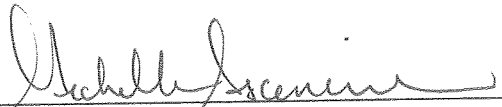
City Manager Department

2. SUBJECT: Current State of the City - Budget.
RECOMMENDATION: That, as part of the budget process, City Council receive a report and presentation on the current fiscal status of the City.

The Interim City Manager/Chief of Police gave a report. Public comments were received from Woodrow Thomas Sr., Pat Brown, Eileen Tracy, Jackie Tedeschi, Daniel Chavez Jr., Steve Nash, and Dan Pinedo. Discussion ensued among the Council and staff. No action was taken.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business on the agenda, and without objection, Mayor Flynn adjourned the meeting at 9:49 p.m.



MICHELLE ASCENCION, CMC
City Clerk



TIM FLYNN
Mayor