

MINUTES
OXNARD CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
April 2, 2024

A. ROLL CALL, POSTING OF AGENDA

At 6:00 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 Assistant City Clerk called the roll and announced the posting of the agenda. Councilmembers Gabriela Basua (remote participation), Oscar Madrigal, Bert E. Perello, Gabriel (Gabe) Teran (remote participation), Arthur Valenzuela, Mayor Pro Tem Bryan A. MacDonald, and Mayor John C. Zaragoza were present.

THE FOLLOWING LEGISLATIVE BODIES ARE MEETING: City Council.

CONSIDERATION OF TELECONFERENCE PARTICIPATION PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 2449.

During this meeting, Councilmember Teran participated remotely from the following location: Moxy by Marriott Phoenix Tempe/ASU, 1333 Rural Road, Tempe, AZ 85281. Councilmember Basua also participated remotely due to a work conflict and took a break from the meeting at 7:15 p.m. and re-joined the meeting at 7:48 p.m. She was absent from the meeting during this time.

B. OPENING CEREMONIES

Mayor Pro Tem MacDonald led the pledge of allegiance.

C. CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1. SUBJECT: Presentation of a Proclamation Designating the Week of April 7 - 13, 2024 as "Library Week" in the City of Oxnard.

Mayor Zaragoza presented the proclamation to Kathleen Ashmore, Library Manager. Ms. Ashmore accepted the proclamation, introduced her team, and followed with a few words.

2. SUBJECT: Presentation of a Proclamation Designating the Month of April 2024 as "Public Safety Dispatchers Month."

Mayor Zaragoza presented a proclamation to the Oxnard Police Department Public Safety Dispatchers and Chief Jason Benites recognized the Dispatch Department staff and thanked them for their dedication. A proclamation was also presented to the Oxnard Fire Department, Battalion Chief Karsten Guthrie accepted the proclamation. A proclamation was also presented to the Ventura County Fire Department, Fire Captain Guillermo De La Rosa

accepted the proclamation and followed with a few words.

3. SUBJECT: Presentation of a Proclamation Designating the Month of April 2024 as "Fair Housing Month."

Mayor Zaragoza presented the proclamation to Cami Pinsak, Real Estate Agent and President of the Ventura County Coastal Association of Realtors, who accepted the proclamation and followed with a few words.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Public comments were received from Santiago, Samuel Salazar, and Maria Navarro (Villa Oxnard Apartments); and Marisa Martinez (Mental Health/Behavioral Health).

E. REPORT OF CITY MANAGER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/SECRETARY

City Manager Nguyen introduced Julie Estrada with the Cultural & Community Services Department Recreational Services who announced a few upcoming community events.

1. City Attorney Department

SUBJECT: Severe Storms Emergency Action.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

1. Reconsider the existence of the Severe Storms Local Emergency ("Local Emergency") proclaimed by the Director of Emergency Services on December 27, 2023 (ratified by the City Council on January 2, 2024); and
2. Find that there is a need to continue the Local Emergency.

Ken Rozell, Chief Assistant City Attorney presented the item. No public comments were received.

It was moved by Councilmember Perello, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem MacDonald, to approve the recommended action. VOTE: Basua, MacDonald, Madrigal, Perello, Teran, Valenzuela, and Zaragoza voted in favor; motion passed 7-0.

F. CITY COUNCIL/HOUSING AUTHORITY/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/FINANCING AUTHORITY BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

The members of the Council provided brief announcements regarding their various activities.

G. REVIEW OF INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

Items I.1 through I.2 were reviewed and discussed among the Council and staff.

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

Public comments were received from Debbie Mitchell (I.2).

I. INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Clerk Department

SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve the minutes of the March 4, 2024, regular meeting as presented.

2. Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Agreement 32400338 with Cameron D. Duncan DBA Duncan Engineering for On-Call Marine Engineering Services for Public Works.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve and authorize:

1. The Mayor to execute an On-Call Agreement with Duncan Engineering for the maximum five-year term of the Agreement, with the initial agreement term ending March 31, 2025, after which the Agreement may be extended for four additional one-year terms with a fully extended final term ending on March 31, 2029, for an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 for Marine Engineering services; and

2. A budget appropriation transfer in the amount of \$100,000 from the FY 2023-24 available budget in the General Fund Public Works Engineering division to the Mandalay Bay Seawalls Capital Improvement Project (No. C1901).

(As of the date of this City Council agenda being posted, there is not yet an outcome from the March 26, 2024 Public Works and Transportation Committee.)

It was moved by Councilmember Perello, seconded by Councilmember Valenzuela, to approve the recommended action as presented. VOTE: Basua, MacDonald, Madrigal, Perello, Teran, Valenzuela, and Zaragoza voted in favor; motion passed 7-0.

J. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Housing Department

SUBJECT: 2020 Annual Action Plan Amendment – Community Development Block Grant CARES Act. (10 minutes)

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

1. Conduct a United States Department of Housing and Urban Development public

hearing regarding the fiscal year 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan Amendment – CARES Act;

2. Approve the fiscal year 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan Amendment CARES Act;

3. Authorize the City Manager, and his designees, to incorporate the amended grant allocations into the 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan Amendment CARES Act and authorize the budget appropriations to fund the administration and projects;

4. Authorize the City Manager and his designees, to execute the required documents to submit the 2020-2021 Amended Annual Action Plan CARES Act to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

5. Authorize the City Manager, and his designees, to execute all of the agreements necessary for the implementation of the Annual Action Plan CARES Act amendment.

(The Community Services, Public Safety, Housing & Development Committee approved 3-0 on March 12, 2024.)

Please click the following link to view the required Measure M pre-recorded presentation video:

The Assistant City Clerk announced the affidavit of publication and stated that no written communications were received.

Emilio Ramirez, Housing Director was available to answer questions.

Mayor Zaragoza opened the public testimony portion of the public hearing. No public comments were received.

Without objection, the Council approved closing the public testimony portion of the public hearing.

It was moved by Councilmember Valenzuela, seconded by Councilmember Madrigal, to approve the recommended action as presented. VOTE: Basua, MacDonald, Madrigal, Perello, Teran, Valenzuela, and Zaragoza voted in favor; motion passed 7-0.

K. REPORTS

1. Community Development Department

SUBJECT: Study Session to Provide Direction on Advancing Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Regulations Authorized Under California Assembly Bill 1033.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

1. Receive and file the information provided in this staff report; and
2. Determine that the City of Oxnard should not implement Assembly Bill 1033.

(The Community Services, Public Safety, Housing & Development Committee approved 3-0 on March 12, 2024.)

Jeff Pengilley, Community Development Director presented and answered questions. Public comments were received from Barbara Macri-Ortiz and Debbie Mitchell.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem MacDonald, seconded by Councilmember Perello, to approve the recommended action. VOTE: MacDonald, Madrigal, Perello, Teran, and Zaragoza voted in favor; Valenzuela voted against; motion passed 5-1. Councilmember Basua was absent during this vote.

2. Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Citywide Pavement Management Program Overview.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receive and file a report on the Citywide Pavement Management Program Overview.

(Public Works & Transportation Committee approved 3-0 on March 12, 2024.)

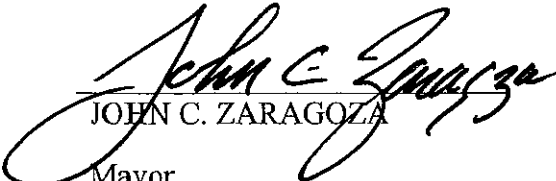
Michael Wolfe, Public Works Director presented and answered questions. No public comments were received. The report was received and filed; no formal action was required.

L. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business on the agenda, and without objection, Mayor Zaragoza adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.


ROSE CHAPARRO

City Clerk


JOHN C. ZARAGOZA
Mayor