

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the La Mesa City Council
Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California

The City Council minutes are prepared and ordered to correspond to the City Council Agenda. Agenda Items can be taken out of order during the meeting.

The Agenda Items were considered in the order presented.

Mayor Arapostathis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Arapostathis; Vice Mayor Alessio; Councilmembers Baber, McWhirter and Parent.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: City Manager Garrett; City Attorney Sabine; City Clerk Wiegelman; Assistant City Manager Humora.

INVOCATION – VICE MAYOR ALESSIO

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Boy Scout Troop 51 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

There were no comments.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN REPORTS

The Mayor and Council made announcements and reported on various events taking place in the City. No action was taken.

PRESENTATION

PROCLAIMING APRIL 14, 2018 AS APRIL POOLS DAY AND MAY 2018 AS DROWNING PREVENTION MONTH

Councilmember McWhirter presented the proclamation to Recreation Supervisor for Aquatics and Sports Becky Jackman.

Recreation Supervisor for Aquatics and Sports Becky Jackman announced that the City of La Mesa's April Pools Day event would take place on April 14, 2018 from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the La Mesa Municipal Pool.

ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

CONFLICT DISCLOSURES

Councilmember Baber announced he had a conflict of interest on Items 6 and 8 due to the proximity of his home to Collier Park and would recuse himself for the vote on Items 6 and 8.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – (TOTAL TIME – 15 MINUTES)

Walter Lernord, resident, spoke regarding staff's responsiveness to residents' concerns on Ohio Place.

Kenneth Dorr, resident, spoke regarding unleashed dogs and owners not picking up after their pets at MacArthur Park.

Brenda Hammond, resident, spoke regarding the county's handling of assault cases.

CONSENT CALENDAR

(Items 1 through 7)

Councilmember Baber requested Consent Calendar Item 5 be pulled for separate consideration.

1. APPROVAL OF MOTION TO WAIVE THE READING OF THE TEXT OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AT THIS MEETING

Approved.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2018

Approved.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING HELD THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 2018

Approved.

4. RESOLUTION DIRECTING REVIEW OF THE CITY OF LA MESA CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

Resolution No. 2018-024 was adopted.

5. REMOVED.

6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR CALIFORNIA CLIMATE INVESTMENTS URBAN GREENING PROGRAM FOR COLLIER PARK RENOVATIONS PROJECT

Resolution No. 2018-025 was adopted.

7. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT BID NO. 18-16 AND AWARD A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE NORTH SPRING STREET PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT TO MIRAMAR GENERAL ENGINEERING

Resolution No. 2018-026 was adopted.

ACTION: Motioned by Mayor Arapostathis and seconded by Councilmember McWhirter to approve Consent Calendar Items 1 through 4 and 7.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Alessio, Councilmember Baber, Councilmember McWhirter, and Councilmember Parent

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

ACTION: Motioned by Mayor Arapostathis and seconded by Councilmember McWhirter to approve Consent Calendar Item 6.

Vote: 4-0-1

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Alessio, Councilmember McWhirter, and Councilmember Parent

No: None

Abstained: Councilmember Baber

Absent: None

Motion passed.

5. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES WITH THE CITY OF EL CAJON

City Manager Garrett provided an update on the El Cajon animal shelter and La Mesa's agreement with El Cajon for animal control services.

A discussion ensued between Council and staff regarding the animal service fees and the fee to retrieve a lost pet from the animal shelter.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Baber and seconded by Mayor Arapostathis to approve the resolution approving the second amendment to the agreement for animal control services with the City of El Cajon.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Alessio, Councilmember Baber, Councilmember McWhirter, and Councilmember Parent
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion passed. Resolution No. 2018-027 was adopted.

HEARING

8. CONSIDERATION OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019

Notice of the hearing was given in accordance with legal requirements, and the hearing was held on the date and at the time specified in the notice.

Mayor Arapostathis opened the hearing for Item 7 at 6:21 p.m.

Associate Planner Kinnard gave a presentation regarding the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) requirements for the allocation of funds. She discussed the anticipated CDBG allocations the City will receive and the social service programs and capital improvement projects that will be funded by CDBG. Associate Planner Kinnard said staff recommended the Council direct staff to develop the FY 2018-2019 CDBG Annual Plan for HUD funded activities and return to Council on April 24, 2018 for final review and approval of the Plan.

Councilmember Baber recused himself for Hearing Item No. 8 because he has a potential conflict of interest under Government Code Section 87100 due to the location of his property. Councilmember Baber left the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Estela De Los Rios, Executive Director of CSA San Diego County, spoke regarding the services CSA San Diego has been able to provide to individuals and families from the CDBG funds that the City allocates to fair housing services.

George Ibarra, CSA San Diego County Fair Housing Senior Housing Counselor and Analyst, spoke regarding the services CSA San Diego has been able to provide as a result of the funds provided from the CDBG program.

ACTION: Motioned by Mayor Arapostathis and seconded by Councilmember McWhirter to close the hearing since there was no one else in the audience who wished to speak.

Vote: 4-0-1

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Alessio, Councilmember McWhirter and Councilmember Parent.
No: None
Abstained: Councilmember Baber
Absent: None.

Motion passed.

ACTION: Motioned by Vice Mayor Alessio and seconded by Mayor Arapostathis to direct staff to develop the FY 2018-2019 CDBG Annual Plan for HUD funded activities and return to Council on April 24, 2018 for final review and approval of the Plan.

Vote: 4-0-1

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Alessio, Councilmember McWhirter, and Councilmember Parent

No: None

Abstained: Councilmember Baber

Absent: None

Motion passed.

Councilmember Baber returned to the dais at 6:32 p.m.

BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

9. RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION

Mayor Arapostathis nominated Katherine Rabasco, Elaine Alfaro, and Zöe Kuhlken for appointment to the Youth Advisory Commission.

ACTION: Motioned by Mayor Arapostathis and seconded by Councilmember Baber to approve the appointments of Katherine Rabasco, Elaine Alfaro, and Zöe Kuhlken to the Youth Advisory Commission and adopt the resolution confirming the appointments.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Alessio, Councilmember Baber, Councilmember McWhirter, and Councilmember Parent

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed. Resolution No. 2018-028 was adopted.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (3 MINUTE LIMIT)

The Mayor and Council reported on various outside boards, commissions and committee meetings they attended. No action was taken.

AB 1234 REPORTS (GC 53232.3(d))

There were no reports.

CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

There were no remarks.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Arapostathis adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Megan Wiegelman, CMC
City Clerk