

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the La Mesa City Council
Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California

This meeting was conducted utilizing teleconferencing and electronic means consistent with State of California Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

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 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Arapostathis; Vice Mayor Shu; Councilmembers Baber and Parent.

ABSENT: None.

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

INVOCATION – COUNCILMEMBER PARENT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION – CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Sabine announced there were no reportable actions.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

City Manager Humora reported on the replacement of YourGOV with SeeClickFix and the appointment of Raymond Sweeney as the City of La Mesa Police Chief. City Manager Humora announced City Hall was open to the public.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN REPORTS

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

PRESENTATION

PROCLAIMING JULY 2021 AS *PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH*

Mayor Arapostathis read the proclamation proclaiming July 2021 as Parks and Recreation Month.

ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – (TOTAL TIME – 15 MINUTES)

City Clerk Wiegelman read aloud the first 300 words of the emailed public comments submitted by 4:00 p.m. the day of the Council meeting.

Kristen Miller submitted a comment regarding the response of the Mayor and Council to the allegations against the La Mesa-Spring Valley School District.

Satomi Rash-Zeigler submitted a comment regarding the Protecting the Right to Organize Act.

Karen Paredes-Tupper submitted a comment regarding the Protecting the Right to Organize Act.

CONFLICT DISCLOSURES

There were no conflict of interest disclosures.

BOARD AND COMMISSION INTERVIEWS

1. ANNUAL INTERVIEW OF APPLICANTS FOR OPENINGS ON THE CITY'S BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

City Clerk Wiegelman briefly explained the interview process. City Clerk Wiegelman stated that William Walton, Luke Martin, and Moana Cabiles were not able to attend the City Council meeting due to prior commitments and had provided written statements expressing their interest in being considered for appointment or reappointment to a Commission or Board. City Clerk Wiegelman announced Frank Hanna had withdrawn his application.

The following applicants spoke regarding their qualifications and interest in being appointed:

David Taylor Jr.
Michael Bourton
Mike Calandra
Grant Yamada
Fabriane Hudson

Paige Scott
Mariah Williams
Cheryl Alvarado
Lauren Cooper

Following the interviews, no action was taken.

CONSENT CALENDAR

(Items 2 through 8)

City Clerk Wiegelman read aloud the first 300 words of the emailed public comments submitted by 4:00 p.m. the day of the Council meeting.

Christopher Glenn submitted a comment on Item 5 inquiring about various data and information in the Home Program 2021 2nd Quarter Report.

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

Approved.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LA MESA CITY COUNCIL, SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LA MESA PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY AND SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY OF LA MESA SUCCESSOR AGENCY HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2021

Approved.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 2021

Approved.

5. RECEIVE AND FILE HOME PROGRAM 2021 2ND QUARTER REPORT

Received and filed.

6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY20 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SHSGP) – URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE (UASI) GRANT OF \$20,437

Resolution No. 2021-087 was adopted.

7. RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR BID 20-18, NORTH SPRING STREET SMART GROWTH SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT TO MIRAMAR GENERAL ENGINEERING

Resolution No. 2021-088 was adopted.

8. RESOLUTION APPROVING A TASK ORDER TO INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEERING CORPORATION TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR CITYWIDE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ENHANCEMENTS PROJECT

Resolution No. 2021-089 was adopted.

ACTION: Motioned by Mayor Arapostathis and seconded by Councilmember Baber to approve Consent Calendar Items 2 through 8.

Vote: 4-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Shu, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember Parent

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

STAFF REPORT

9. UPDATE ON PROPERTY REVITALIZATION MICRO GRANT PROGRAMS AND CONSIDERATION TO CONTINUE THE WEST LA MESA COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PILOT GRANT PROGRAM

Senior Management Analyst Dedmon provided a PowerPoint presentation on the La Mesa Property Revitalization Grant Program and West La Mesa Community Enhancement Grant Program, highlighting the purpose, time length, criteria, number of applications received and approved, and the completed projects of the grant programs.

Council questions and comments ensued.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Parent and seconded by Councilmember Baber to: (1) receive and file the Property Revitalization Micro Grant Programs update; and (2) continue the West La Mesa Community Enhancement Pilot Grant Program and increase the grant funding per year to \$15,000 and the maximum grant award to \$2,500.

Vote: 3-1

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember Parent

No: Vice Mayor Shu

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

HEARING

10. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REPORT WITH THE FINAL DETERMINATION OF SEWER SERVICE CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 TO BE COLLECTED ON THE COUNTY PROPERTY TAX ROLL AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO FORWARD A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION, TOGETHER WITH A COPY OF THE REPORT TO THE OFFICE OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY AUDITOR

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 10.

Senior Management Analyst Kawasaki explained the process to place sewer service charges on the property tax bills and staff's efforts to inform residents of their estimated Fiscal Year 2022 sewer charges. Senior Management Analyst Kawasaki stated there would be no increase to the sewer service charges in Fiscal Year 2022.

Council questions and comments ensued.

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

Vote: 4-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Shu, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember Parent

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

ACTION: Motioned by Mayor Arapostathis and seconded by Councilmember Parent to adopt the Resolution approving the sewer charge amount for each parcel as described in the Fiscal Year 2022 sewer charge report and authorize the City Clerk to submit the sewer charge for each parcel to the County Auditor for collection on the Fiscal Year 2022 property tax bills.

Vote: 4-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Shu, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember Parent

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed. Resolution No. 2021-090 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 7:28 p.m.

Megan Wiegelman, CMC
City Clerk