

JOINT MEETING OF THE EL CAJON CITY COUNCIL/ HOUSING AUTHORITY/ SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE EL CAJON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY



MINUTES

CITY OF EL CAJON EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA

October 9, 2018

An Adjourned Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/ Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency, held Tuesday, October 9, 2018, was called to order by Mayor/Chair Bill Wells at 3:04 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, California.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present:	Goble and Kalasho
Councilmembers absent:	McClellan
Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair present:	Kendrick
Mayor/Chair present:	Wells
Other Officers present:	DiMaggio, Assistant City Manager Foley, City Attorney/General Counsel Aguirre, City Clerk/Secretary
Other Officer(s) absent:	Mitchell, City Manager/Executive Director

Mayor Wells invited Senator Joel Anderson to lead the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG and MOMENT OF SILENCE. (The Courts have concluded that sectarian prayer, as part of City Council Meetings is not permitted under the Constitution).

POSTINGS: The City Clerk posted Orders of Adjournment of the September 25, 2018, Meeting and the Agenda of the October 9, 2018, Meetings in accordance with State Law and El Cajon City/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency Policy.

PRESENTATIONS:

Presentation: Senator Joel Anderson

Proclamation: Community Planning Month

Presentation: All Fore R.E.C. Campaign

AGENDA CHANGES: None

CONSENT ITEMS: (1 – 7)

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY KENDRICK to APPROVE Consent Items 1 to 7.

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT
(McCLELLAN – Absent).**

1. Minutes of El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency

Approves Minutes of the September 25, 2018, Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency.

2. Warrants

Approves payment of Warrants as submitted by the Finance Department.

3. Approval of Reading Ordinances by Title only

Approves the reading by title and waives the reading in full of all Ordinances on the Agenda.

CONSENT ITEMS: (Continued)

4. First Amendment to the Lease Agreement with the County of San Diego for City Hall Sixth Floor Office Space

Adopts Resolution No. 096-18, approving the First Amendment to the Lease Agreement with the County of San Diego for office space on the sixth floor of City Hall.

5. 2019 Calendar of Meetings for the City Council/Housing Authority and Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency

Reviews the proposed 2019 calendar of meetings for the City Council/Housing Authority and Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency, makes appropriate modifications, or accepts as presented.

6. Stoney's Neighborhood Park Improvements Project Acceptance

1. Accepts the Stoney's Neighborhood Park Improvements project, PK3582, Bid No. 007-18; and
2. Authorizes the City Clerk to record a Notice of Completion and release the bonds in accordance with the contract terms.

7. Installation, Maintenance, and Monitoring of Fire Alarm Systems

Adopts Resolution No. 097-18, authorizing the Purchasing Agent, in accordance with Municipal Code 3.20.010(C)(6), to execute an agreement with Progressive Technology Security Systems, Inc. for fire alarm system installation, maintenance, and monitoring services in the estimated amount of \$55,000 for the initial year, with four optional one-year terms.

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

Sunshine Horton discussed her new elf outfit, and spoke about the act of selfless service.

Dolores Landers expressed her concerns involving a tenant at a home located on Hillsvie Drive, who has an excessive amounts of vehicles and continuously parks in a No-Parking zone, in violation of Title 17. She provided pictures to Council and asked for a visit from the Code Enforcement department.

In response to Ms. Landers' concern, **Mayor Wells** advised that **Assistant City Manager DiMaggio**, will review the information provided, and consider a solution for the problem.

Carol Sheehan spoke in support of **Councilmember Kalasho**.

Jim Cirigliano shared an update regarding the ongoing rent mediation process. He stated that a meeting will take place with City staff on November 9, 2018, to discuss the next steps to be taken. Mr. Cirigliano spoke about Villa Novia's support and contributions to various electoral campaigns. He expressed his support for **Councilmember Kalasho** and **Mr. Scalzitti for Mayor**.

Eric Durden spoke of the negativity involving the upcoming election. Mr. Durden stated he sees campaign signs being crossed out and on the ground, news articles slandering opponents, he added he would rather hear about the real issues and what they are doing that is positive for the City.

When Mr. Durden asked for answers from the candidates, **City Attorney Foley**, advised that the candidates cannot campaign during the Council Meetings.

Andrew Raclin stated he is disturbed by the litter left behind from campaign materials and signs being defaced. He added that this devalues businesses and properties in the City.

Bonnie Price stated that she is disturbed by certain councilmembers who take money from people, engage in immoral acts, and are working against victims who are close to losing their home.

Jaime Freitas discussed crisis issues with the police department such as not having enough staff, staff transferring out to other agencies, and officers being over worked. Mr. Freitas suggested that the City makes a conscious effort to pay uniformed personnel the money they deserve so citizens receive better service.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Continued)

Denice Riddle spoke about her mother, who was mugged at a local laundromat. She added that Wells Park and the City are no longer safe. Ms. Riddle asked Council to take care of the citizens and stop driving away our uniformed personnel. She stated that she has participated in several town hall events but the situation has not improved.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

8. Grant Agreement with Crisis House for the Provision of Homeless Services (El Cajon Housing Connections Program)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council, acting as the El Cajon Housing Authority, approves a one-year extension to the grant agreement with Crisis House to fund a Housing Navigator and for distribution of Housing Assistance funds.

DISCUSSION

Assistant City Manager DiMaggio, provided information of the Item.

Mayor Wells opened the public hearing.

No one came forward to speak.

Discussion ensued among **Council** and **Staff** concerning the following:

- A meeting with Board of Supervisors to advocate for the residents of El Cajon;
- The need for more resource to help the homeless situation;
- The success with permanent housing assistance, and the ongoing challenges with homelessness; and
- The use of more Psychiatric Emergency Response Team (PERT) personnel.

MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to APPROVE a one-year extension to the grant agreement with Crisis House to fund a Housing Navigator and for distribution of Housing Assistance funds.

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT
(McCLELLAN – Absent.)**

COMMISSION REPORTS: None

ACTIVITIES REPORTS/COMMENTS OF MAYOR WELLS:

SANDAG (San Diego Association of Governments); SANDAG Public Relations Selection Committee; League of California Cities, San Diego Division; Heartland Fire Training JPA – Alternate; LAFCO.

9. Council Activities Report/Comments

Report as stated.

10. Legislative Update – As Submitted.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS:

11. MAYOR PRO TEM GARY KENDRICK

METRO Commission/Wastewater JPA; Heartland Communications; Heartland Fire Training JPA.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

12. COUNCILMEMBER BOB MCCLELLAN

MTS (Metropolitan Transit System Board); Harry Griffen Park Joint Steering Committee; Heartland Communications – Alternate.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as submitted.

13. COUNCILMEMBER BEN KALASHO

Report as stated.

Councilmember Kalasho thanked citizens in attendance, who came out to share their concerns.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS: (Continued)

14. COUNCILMEMBER STEVE GOBLE
SANDAG – Board of Directors – Alternate; SANDAG Public Safety Committee – Alternate; METRO Commission/Wastewater JPA – Alternate; Chamber of Commerce – Government Affairs Committee; MTS (Metropolitan Transit System Board) – Alternate; East County Economic Development Council.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

In addition to the submitted report, Councilmember Goble stated he met with County Board of Supervisors on October 9, 2018.

JOINT COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS: None

GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

15. Tree Donation from Business Printing Company (BPC)

RECOMMENDATION:

In accordance with City Council Policy B-2, staff informs the City Council about receiving the following donation for the City of El Cajon in the month of October. Business Printing Company (BPC) - 30 trees to be donated and planted at Hillside Park, valued at \$1,706.

ORDINANCES: FIRST READING – None

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING AND ADOPTION – None

CLOSED SESSIONS:

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency adjourned Closed Session as follows:

16. Closed Session - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION - pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9 - Christine Greer vs. City of El Cajon, et al., San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2016-00027133-CU-OE-CTL

CLOSED SESSIONS: (Continued)

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ADJOURN to Closed Session at 3:55 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT
(McCLELLAN – Absent).**

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AT 4:18 PM.

City Attorney Foley reported the following actions:

16. City Council gave direction to Legal Counsel.

Adjournment: Mayor Wells adjourned the Adjourned Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency held this 9th day of October, 2018, at 4:18 p.m., to Tuesday, October 9, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

Angela Aguirre
City Clerk/Secretary