

# 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

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**June 9, 2020**

A Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/ Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency, held Tuesday, June 9, 2020, was called to order by Mayor/Chair Bill Wells at 3:03 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, California.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Council/Agencymembers via virtual platform: Goble, Kendrick, and McClellan  
Council/Agencymembers absent: None  
Deputy Mayor/Vice Chair via virtual platform: Ortiz  
Mayor/Chair present via virtual platform: Wells  
Other Officers present via virtual platform: Mitchell, City Manager/Executive Director  
DiMaggio, Assistant City Manager  
Foley, City Attorney/General Counsel  
Cortez, City Clerk/Secretary

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG led by Mayor Wells 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 May 26, 2020, Meeting and the Agenda of the June 9, 2020, Meeting in accordance with State Law and El Cajon City/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency Policy.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Commendation: Deputy Director of Community Development, Building and Fire Safety Official - Dan Pavao

**AGENDA CHANGES:** None

**CONSENT ITEMS: (1 – 11)**

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

Approves Minutes of the May 26, 2020 Meeting, and the Joint Special Meeting of May 31, 2020, 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.

4. Approval of a Reimbursement Agreement for Broadway Earthen Channel Improvements

1. Adopts Resolution No. 053-20, approving the City's Intent to Vacate a Walkway Easement between Mona Place and Benjamin Place; and
2. Directs the City Clerk to set a Public Hearing on June 23, 2020, at 3:00 p.m., to receive testimony regarding the intent to Vacate said Walkway Easement.

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**CONSENT ITEMS: (Continued)**

5. 2019 Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) - Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant

1. Authorizes the City Manager, or designee, to accept the 2019 Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant in the amount of \$52,792, and execute any grant documents and agreements necessary for the receipt and use of these funds; and
2. Appropriates funding of \$42,032 for the sole source purchase of a Foster & Freeman DCS5 crime-lite 8X4 MK2 white light and VIS fluorescence INC View FILT (accessory for DCS5), FLS Light source with adaptors for use with DCS5, CSU-2 cylindrical surface un-wrapper (accessory for DCS5), DCS5 crime-lite 8X4 MK4 for IR powders NAT 1 and 2 INC view filters (accessory for DCS5), three Canon EOS M6 Mark II cameras and lenses for \$3,421 and overtime funding of \$7,339 for our three Forensic Evidence Technicians.

6. FY 2020 Regional Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing

1. Reviews and accepts the proposed FY 2020 Regional Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice; and
2. Authorizes the City Manager or designee to certify its completion.

7. Time Extension of Tentative Subdivision Map (TSM) 667; 999 Bostonia Street, Engineering Job No. 3591

Grants a one-year time extension for TSM 667 (999 Bostonia Street) and set the new expiration date to June 12, 2021; in accordance with Municipal Code Section 16.12.110.

8. Time Extension of Tentative Subdivision Map (TSM) 666; 1044 South Mollison Avenue, Engineering Job No. 3574

Grants a one-year time extension for TSM 666 (1044 South Mollison Avenue) and sets the new expiration date to be July 26, 2021, in accordance with Municipal Code Section 16.12.110.

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**CONSENT ITEMS: (Continued)**

9. General Municipal Election - November 3, 2020

Adopts the following Resolutions in connection with the November 3, 2020, General Municipal Election:

1. Resolution No. 054-20, Calling and Giving notice of the November 3, 2020, General Municipal Election for the election of three Members of the City Council of the City of El Cajon: one member each for District No. 2, District No. 3, and District No. 4, each serving a full four-year term to expire December 2024;
2. Resolution No. 055-20, requesting the Board of Supervisors to consolidate the General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election on November 3, 2020;
3. Resolution No. 056-20, adopting regulations for candidates calling for prepayment for a 200-word Candidate's Statement; and
4. Resolution No 057-20, adopting regulations to resolve a tie vote for the City Council Election by lot.

10. Board of Supervisors Appointment to Gillespie Field Development Council

Ratifies the Board of Supervisors appointment of Barry Bardack to the Gillespie Field Development Council for a term to expire June 25, 2024.

11. Shared Streets Pilot Program SANDAG Grant

That the City Council accepts, appropriates, and expends \$8,636 from SANDAG for the shared Streets Pilot Program Grant.

**MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY McCLELLAN, to APPROVE  
Consent Items 1 to 11.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

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**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

An online comment submitted by David Chenoweth in reference to the California Senate Bill SB-1421 (Peace Officers: Release of Records) documents and the El Cajon Police Department training program.

Councilmember Kendrick shared a comment received from Stephanie Harper. Ms. Harper thanked the citizens of El Cajon for staying calm during the civil unrest incidents in the community. Ms. Harper praised the work of the police department.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

12. FY 2020/2021 General Fund Budget Discussion

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council considers updated information related to the City of El Cajon's Fiscal Year 2020/2021 budget and provides feedback to City staff on various proposals.

**DISCUSSION**

City Manager Mitchell and Finance Director, Clay Schoen, provided detailed information of the Item.

*Recess called at 3:24 p.m.  
Meeting called back to order at 3:35 p.m.*

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff, and feedback and direction was provided by Council to Staff regarding:

- Hiring Freeze;
- Freeze on new vehicles purchases;
- Scale back on community events and cancel the 2021 America on Main Street event;
- No cost of living adjustment to executive staff;
- Using the Information Technologies reserve fund for one-time purchases;
- Contract out landscape services;
- Suspend the apartment inspection program;
- Reduction of one position in the Community Development;
- Reduce purchases of supplies, materials, and services;

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: (Item 12 – Continued)**

- Revenue opportunities;
- Voluntary furlough program;
- Early retirement program;
- Implement a fee for the 911 abuse program;
- Installation of an electronic bulletin board;
- Maintain morale and employment by not considering employee concessions;
- Plans for the City's 92020 event; and
- Retain the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program.

### 13. Coronavirus Relief Fund Subgrant with County of San Diego

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council adopts the next Resolution, in order, authorizing approval of the Coronavirus Relief Fund Subgrant Agreement between the City and the County of San Diego, authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement, and providing feedback regarding the recommendation allocation of CARES funds.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Assistant City Manager DiMaggio provided detailed information of the Item.

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff concerning the following:

- Assistance for family businesses, franchises, car dealers and hotels; and
- Creation of a committee to determine how the CARES funds will be allocated.

**MOTION BY McCLELLAN, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ADOPT Resolution No. 058-20, to approve the Coronavirus Relief Fund Subgrant Agreement between the City and the County of San Diego, authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement, and providing feedback regarding the recommendation allocation of CARES funds.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

**COMMISSION REPORTS:** None

**ACTIVITIES REPORTS/COMMENTS OF MAYOR WELLS:**

SANDAG (San Diego Association of Governments) Board of Directors; SANDAG – Audit Committee; League of California Cities, San Diego Division; Heartland Fire Training JPA – Alternate; LAFCO.

14. Council Activities Report/Comments

Report as stated.

15. Legislative Update: As Reported

Assistant City Manager DiMaggio advised that legislative information is being produced in regards to the limit of actions by police officers.

**ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS:**

16. COUNCILMEMBER GARY KENDRICK  
METRO Commission/Wastewater JPA; Heartland Communications; Heartland Fire Training JPA; East County Advance Water Purification Joint Powers Authority Board.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

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

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

18. 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 Advance Water Purification Joint Powers Authority Board – Alternate.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

**ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS: (Continued)**

19. DEPUTY MAYOR PHIL ORTIZ  
East County Economic Development Council; League of California Cities, San Diego Division.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

**JOINT COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:** None

**GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:** None

**ORDINANCES: FIRST READING**

20. Urgency Ordinance and Standard Ordinance to Temporarily Eliminate the Need for a Conditional Use Permit for Sidewalk Dining

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council first adopts Ordinance No. 5100, An Urgency Ordinance Amending Sections 12.09.030 and 12.09.060 of the El Cajon Municipal Code to Temporarily Eliminate the Need for a Conditional Use Permit for Sidewalk Dining in the City and, if adopted, requests the City Clerk to read the ordinance by title; following the adoption of Ordinance No. 5100, approve the introduction of Ordinance No. 5101, An Ordinance Amending Sections 12.09.030 and 12.09.060 of the El Cajon Municipal Code to Temporarily Eliminate the Need for a Conditional Use Permit for Sidewalk Dining in the City and, if approved and introduced, requests the City Clerk to read the ordinance by title.

**DISCUSSION**

City Attorney Foley provided information about the Item.

**MOTION BY McCLELLAN, SECOND BY KENDRICK to ADOPT Urgency Ordinance No. 5100, to temporarily eliminate the need for a Conditional Use Permit for Sidewalk Dining.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**



**ORDINANCES: FIRST READING (Continued)**

The City Clerk recited the title of the ordinance.

An Urgency Ordinance of the City Council for the City of El Cajon, California, amending Sections 12.09.030 and 12.09.060 of the El Cajon Municipal Code to Temporarily Eliminate the Need for a Conditional Use Permit for Sidewalk Dining in the City.

**MOTION BY KENDRICK, SECOND BY McCLELLAN, to INTRODUCE the Ordinance.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

The City Clerk recited the title of the ordinance for a first reading.

An Ordinance of the City Council for the City of El Cajon, California, amending Sections 12.09.030 and 12.09.060 of the El Cajon Municipal Code to Temporarily Eliminate the Need for a Conditional Use Permit for Sidewalk Dining in the City.

**ORDINANCES: SECOND READING AND ADOPTION – None**

**CLOSED SESSIONS:**

21. Closed Session - Public Employee Performance Evaluation: City Manager
22. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation - pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9: One (1) potential case

**MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ADJOURN to Closed Session at 4:30 p.m.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AT 5:02 p.m.

City Attorney Foley reported the following actions:

- Item 21: No report given.
- Item 22: Direction given to legal counsel.

**Adjournment: Mayor Wells adjourned the Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency held this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020, at 5:03 p.m., to Tuesday, June 23, 2020, at 3:00 p.m.**

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ANGELA L. CORTEZ, CMC  
City Clerk/Secretary