

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

December 8, 2020

A Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/ Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency, held Tuesday, December 8, 2020, was called to order by Mayor/Chair Bill Wells at 2:30 p.m., in Centennial Plaza, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, California.

ROLL CALL

Council/Agencymembers present:	Goble
Council/Agencymembers absent:	Kendrick, McClellan
Deputy Mayor/Vice Chair present:	Ortiz
Mayor/Chair present present:	Wells
Other Officers present:	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 November 10, 2020, meeting and the Agenda of the December 8, 2020, meeting in accordance with State Law and El Cajon City/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency Policy.

NOVEMBER 3, 2020 - GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION - CERTIFICATE OF RESULTS OF CANVASS

1. Official Results of the 2020 General Municipal Election

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council adopt the next Resolution, in order, declaring the results of the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election for one Council Member each for District Two, District Three, and District Four.

The City Clerk recited the results of the Canvass of the Election for one Council Member each for District Two, District Three, and District Four.

MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY WELLS, to ADOPT Resolution No. 117-20 declaring the results of the November 3, 2020, General Municipal Election for one Councilmember each for District Two, District Three, and District Four.

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT
(KENDRICK, McCLELLAN - Absent)**

**OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO MICHELLE METSCHEL
Remarks by Councilmember Metschel**

**OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO STEVE GOBLE
Remarks by Councilmember Goble**

**OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO PHIL ORTIZ
Remarks by Councilmember Ortiz**

***Recess called at 2:48 p.m.
Meeting reconvened at 3:16 p.m.***

**New Councilmembers of District Two, District Three,
and District Four Seated.**

ROLL CALL

Council/Agencymembers via virtual platform: Goble, Kendrick and Metschel
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

Retiring Councilmember, Bob McClellan shared a few words about his time serving the City of El Cajon.

Words of gratitude were expressed by Councilmembers towards Mr. McClellan.

PRESENTATIONS: None

AGENDA CHANGES: None

CONSENT ITEMS: (2 – 12)

- 2. Minutes of El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency Meetings

Approves Minutes of the November 10, 2020, Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency.

- 3. Warrants

Approves payment of Warrants as submitted by the Finance Department.

- 4. 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)

5. Extension to On-Site Fleet Parts Program

Adopts Resolution No. 118-20 to extend the existing contract for the on-site fleet parts program with County Motor Parts Co. Inc., for a three-month term in the not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000.

6. Award of RFP No. 015-21 – Madison Avenue Safety Improvements (Non-Federal) Project

Adopts Resolution No. 119-20 to enter into an agreement with Psomas in the not-to-exceed amount of \$245,714.00 for a three-year term.

7. Approval of a Cooperative Agreement for the Broadway Creek Restoration Project

1. Adopts Resolution No. 120-20 to authorize the City Manager, or approved designee, to execute a cooperative agreement between the City of El Cajon and the County of San Diego for purposes of establishing roles and responsibilities between the project co-sponsors, and for reimbursing the City for improvements to Broadway Creek for costs in the not-to-exceed amount of \$170,000; and
2. Appropriates \$170,000 of San Diego County funds to a Wastewater Specific Account to supplement the proposed FY2020-21 Budget for Broadway Creek Restoration, WW3586.

8. Amendment to Master Services and Purchasing Agreement for Body Worn Cameras

Adopts Resolution No. 121-20 to authorize an increase to the Master Services and Purchasing Agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of \$260,999.56.

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CONSENT ITEMS: (Continued)

9. CalRecycle Beverage Container Recycling Program

Adopts Resolution No. 122-20 to:

1. Authorize the City Manager to apply for Beverage Container Recycling City/County Payment Program funds in the amount of \$25,868 from the State of California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle);
2. Appropriate Beverage Container Recycling City/County Payment Program funds in the amount of \$25,868 for Recycled Beverage Container diversion; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or such person designated by the City Manager, to execute the Payment Program agreement and all such other documents necessary to obtain the Beverage Container Recycling funds, in such form as approved by the City Manager with approval of the City Attorney.

10. Award of Bid No. 014-21 - Armored Rescue Vehicle

Adopts Resolution No. 123-20 to:

1. Find the first low bidder non-responsive and deny its protest for the reasons set forth in this agenda report; and
2. Award the bid to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Lenco Industries, Inc., in the amount of \$328,598.

DISCUSSION

In answer to a question by Councilmember Goble, City Manager Mitchell and Police Chief Moulton clarified that the current vehicle, considered a Regional Vehicle Asset, currently shared with the City of La Mesa will be moved full time to La Mesa, and the new rescue vehicle will be stationed full time in the City of El Cajon.

11. Fiscal Year 2019-20 El Cajon Housing Authority Annual Report (pursuant to California Health & Safety Code §34176.1)

El Cajon Housing Authority reviews and accepts this Annual Report, substantially in the form as presented, for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

DISCUSSION

In answer to a question by Councilmember Goble, City Manager Mitchell confirmed the report showing the City was not in compliance with the 30% Area Median Income Requirement was simply a timing issue rather than a program issue, and it will be resolved appropriately.

CONSENT ITEMS: (Continued)

12. Minimum Wage Update to City Council Policy A-29

That the City Council approves and authorizes the minimum wage updates in City Council A-29 Policy for the impacted non-represented part-time/seasonal/temporary classifications.

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to APPROVE Consent Items 2 to 12.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Stephanie Harper submitted an online comment to congratulate and support Councilmember Metschel.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

13. Delinquent Refuse Collection Charges

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council:

1. Opens the Public Hearing and considers public testimony;
2. Closes the Public Hearing;
3. Adopts the next Resolution, in order, confirming the list of property owners as delinquent in the payment of their mandatory trash service bills; and
4. Authorizes the City Clerk to record the amount owed as a lien on the property and forward a list to the County Tax Assessor for billing on the next property tax bill.

DISCUSSION

Director of Public Works, Yazmin Arellano, provided a summary of the Item.

Mayor Wells opened the Public Hearing.

No comments were received for the Item.

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to CLOSE the Public Hearing.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: (Item 13 – Continued)

Councilmember Goble thanked Waste Management for the many years of support to the City.

Christine Costa from Waste Management stated Waste Management is still part of the community and they will continue to support the City as needed.

MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ADOPT Resolution No. 124-20 A - I, confirming the list of property owners as delinquent in the payment of their mandatory trash service bills; and Authorizes the City Clerk to record the amount owed as a lien on the property and forward a list to the County Tax Assessor for billing on the next property tax bill.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

14. Selection of Deputy Mayor

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council selects a Deputy Mayor according to the El Cajon Municipal Code.

DISCUSSION

City Manager Mitchell provided detailed information of the Item.

Mayor Wells recommended that Councilmember Kendrick serve as Mayor Pro Tem for the 2021 calendar year.

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY ORTIZ, to APPOINT Councilmember KENDRICK as Mayor Pro Tem according to the El Cajon Municipal Code for the 2021 Calendar Year.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

15. Regain Local Control from State Legislature

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council adopts the next Resolution, in order, expressing support for actions to further strengthen local democracy, authority, and control related to local zoning and housing issues.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: (Item 15 – Continued)

DISCUSSION

City Manager Mitchell provided detailed information of the Item.

Deputy Mayor Ortiz thanked staff for preparing the report and resolution for the Item.

MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY GOBLE, to ADOPT Resolution No. 125-20 expressing support for actions to further strengthen local democracy, authority, and control related to local zoning and housing issues.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

16. COVID-19 Status Report

RECOMMENDATION:

No action required.

DISCUSSION

City Manager Mitchell provided detailed information of the Item.

No comments were received for the Item.

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff regarding Intensive Care Unit availability. Councilmembers requested COVID-19 data for City of El Cajon only.

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; League of California Cities, San Diego Division; LAFCO.

17. Council Activities Report/Comments

Report as stated.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS/COMMENTS OF MAYOR WELLS: (Continued)

18. City Council Assignments

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council approves City Council assignments (as identified in the report) to various boards and commissions representing El Cajon.

DISCUSSION

City Manager Mitchell shared his recommendations for City Council assignments.

No comments were received for the Item.

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY GOBLE, to APPROVE City Council assignments (as identified in the report) to various boards and commissions representing El Cajon.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS:

19. 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.

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

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS: (Continued)

21. 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.

22. DEPUTY MAYOR PHIL ORTIZ
East County Economic Development Council.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

JOINT COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS: None

GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: None

ORDINANCES: FIRST READING - None

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - None

CLOSED SESSIONS:

23. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9: David Homoki v. City of El Cajon
San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2019-00001896-CU-PO-CTL
24. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9: First Main Partners, LLC v. City of El Cajon et al.,
San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2020-00022053-CU-OR-CTL

CLOSED SESSIONS: (Continued)

*Adjourned to Closed Session at 4:06 p.m.
Reconvene to Open Session at 4:32 p.m.*

City Attorney Foley reported the following actions:

- Item 23: City Council gave direction to its Attorneys
- Item 24: City Council gave direction 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 8th day of December, 2020, at 4:33 p.m., to Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

ANGELA L. CORTEZ, CMC
City Clerk/Secretary