

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

February 9, 2021

A Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/ Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency, held Tuesday, February 9, 2021, was called to order by Mayor/Chair Bill Wells at 3:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, California.

ROLL CALL

Council/Agencymembers via virtual platform: Goble, Metschel and Ortiz
Council/Agencymembers absent: None
Deputy Mayor/Vice Chair via virtual platform: Kendrick
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 January 26, 2021, meeting and the Agenda of the February 9, 2021, meeting in accordance with State Law and El Cajon City/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency Policy.

PRESENTATIONS:

Pension Obligation Bonds Recap

Love Your Neighbor Week

AGENDA CHANGES: None

CONSENT ITEMS: (1 – 6)

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY ORTIZ, to APPROVE Consent Items 1 to 6.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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

Approves Minutes of the January 26, 2021, 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.

4. Acceptance of the Pipeline Replacement 2019 Project

1. Accepts the Pipeline Replacement 2019 Project (WW61019), Bid No. 020-20; and
2. Authorizes the City Clerk to record a Notice of Completion, and release bonds in accordance with the contract terms.

5. September – December 2020 Quarterly Treasurer’s Report

Receives the Treasurer’s Report for the quarter ending December 31, 2020.

CONSENT ITEMS: (Continued)

6. Rejection of Bid No. 013-21 – Landscape and Facility Maintenance Re-Bid

Adopts Resolution No. 015-21 to reject all bids.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

An anonymous comment was submitted online to ask for a status report on the homeless issue.

Cheryl Castillo submitted an online comment to request that the City cleans up city streets, and she requested that the City provides incentives to bring new businesses such as a .99 Cent Store into the community.

The following people submitted online comments regarding redistricting in the City of El Cajon:

- Nancy Nguyen
- Kiyana Asemanfar
- Doris Bittar
- Wedad Schlotte
- Lori Thiel
- Sara A.
- Neyaha Obeid
- Yameen Obeid
- Rawan Obeid
- Basem Obeid
- Selma Hassane
- Nadine Hassoun
- Ramah Awad
- Jasmine Erikat
- Layla Britton
- Subrein
- Luqmaan Bokhary
- Sumayyah R.
- Sarah
- Vanessa Green

City Manager Mitchell stated that the City will follow the law and participate in the redistricting process, once the 2020 census information is available.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

7. Connecting Communities to Outdoor Play NRPA Grant

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council adopts the next Resolution, in order, to:

1. Accept the grant, appropriate and expend funding in the amount of \$26,000 from the National Recreation & Park Association (NRPA) designed to support community play; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with NRPA.

DISCUSSION

Recreation Services Director, Frank Carson, provided detailed information of the Item.

No one comments were received for the Item.

MOTION BY KENDRICK, SECOND BY ORTIZ, to ADOPT Resolution No. 016-21 to accept the grant, appropriate and expend funding in the amount of \$26,000 from the National Recreation & Park Association (NRPA) designed to support community play; and Authorize the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with NRPA.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

8. COVID-19 Status Report

RECOMMENDATION: No action required.

City Manager Mitchell provided detailed information of the Item.

No comments were submitted for the Item.

COMMISSION REPORTS: None

ACTIVITIES REPORTS/COMMENTS OF MAYOR WELLS:

SANDAG (San Diego Association of Governments) Board of Directors; SANDAG – Audit Committee; LAFCO.

9. Council Activities Report/Comments

Report as stated.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS:

10. MAYOR PRO TEM GARY KENDRICK
METRO Commission/Wastewater JPA; Heartland Communications; Heartland Fire Training JPA.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

11. COUNCILMEMBER MICHELLE METSCHEL
Harry Griffen Park Joint Steering Committee; Heartland Communications – Alternate; Heartland Fire Training JPA – Alternate.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

In addition to the submitted report, Councilmember Metschel stated that she completed the League of California Cities Academy for New Councilmembers; attended the San Diego County Update on COVID-19; and attended the January 26, 2021 City Council Meeting.

12. COUNCILMEMBER STEVE GOBLE
MTS (Metropolitan Transit System Board); East County Advanced Water Purification Joint Powers Authority Board; Chamber of Commerce – Government Affairs Committee; SANDAG – Board of Directors – Alternate; SANDAG Public Safety Committee – Alternate; METRO Commission/Wastewater JPA – Alternate.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS: (Continued)

13. COUNCILMEMBER PHIL ORTIZ

League of California Cities, San Diego Division; East County Economic Development Council; MTS (Metropolitan Transit System Board) – Alternate; East County Advanced Water Purification Joint Powers Authority Board – Alternate; Chamber of Commerce – Government Affairs Committee – Alternate.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

JOINT COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

14. Request for Analysis of a Water Feature at Wells Park

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council directs staff to prepare an analysis of a water feature for Wells Park for further City Council discussion.

DISCUSSION

Mayor Pro Tem Kendrick and Councilmember Metschel provided detailed information of the Item.

Discussion ensued amongst Council and Staff regarding:

- Utilizing CDBG funds for the proposed water feature;
- Consideration of maintenance cost; and
- If CDBG funds were to be appropriated, reduction of support may be made to other organizations who apply for CDBG funds.

No one comments were received for the Item.

GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: None

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ORDINANCES: FIRST READING

15. Ordinance to Add El Cajon Municipal Code Chapter 9.41 Prohibiting Demonstrations That Target Residences

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council approves the introduction of *An Ordinance Adding Chapter 9.41 to Title 9 of the El Cajon Municipal Code to Prohibit Demonstrations That Target Residences*, and, if approved, requests the City Clerk to read the ordinance by title.

DISCUSSION

City Attorney Foley provided a summary of the Item.

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to INTRODUCE the Ordinance.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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

AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 9.41 TO TITLE 9 OF THE EL CAJON MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT DEMONSTRATIONS THAT TARGET RESIDENCES.

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING AND ADOPTION

16. Amendment to Allow Signs on City-Owned Property Under Certain Criteria

RECOMMENDATION:

That Mayor Wells requests the City Clerk to recite the title.

DISCUSSION

No comments were submitted for the Item.

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

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 17-190.040 OF, AND TO ADD SECTION 17.190.265 TO, CHAPTER 17.190 OF TITLE 17 OF THE EL CAJON MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW SIGNS ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY UNDER CERTAIN CRITERIA.

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING AND ADOPTION: (Item 16 – Continued)

MOTION BY KENDRICK, SECOND BY ORTIZ, to ADOPT Ordinance No. 5105, Approving Amending Section 17-190.040 of, and to Add Section 17.190.265 to, Chapter 17.190 of Title 17 of the El Cajon Municipal Code to Allow Signs on City-Owned Property Under Certain Criteria.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

17. Amendment of Chapter 2.75 of Title 2 of the El Cajon Municipal Code Relating to Electronic and Paperless Filing of Fair Political Practices Commission Campaign Disclosure Statements

RECOMMENDATION:

That Mayor Wells requests the City Clerk to recite the title.

DISCUSSION

No comments were submitted for the Item.

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2.75 OF TITLE 2 OF THE EL CAJON MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO ELECTRONIC AND PAPERLESS FILING OF FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS.

MOTION BY KENDRICK, SECOND BY ORTIZ, to ADOPT Ordinance No. 5106, Approving Amending Chapter 2.75 of Title 2 of the El Cajon Municipal Code Relating to Electronic and Paperless Filing of Fair Political Practices Commission Campaign Disclosure Statements.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

CLOSED SESSIONS: None

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 9th day of February, 2021, at 4:06 p.m., to Tuesday, February 23, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

ANGELA L. CORTEZ, CMC
City Clerk/Secretary