

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

March 9, 2021

A Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/ Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency, held Tuesday, March 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 February 23, 2021, and March 1, 2021 meetings and the Agenda of the March 9, 2021, meetings in accordance with State Law and El Cajon City/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency Policy.

PRESENTATIONS:

Teen Coalition Mid-Year Report

AGENDA CHANGES: None

CONSENT ITEMS: (1 – 6)

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY KENDRICK, 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 February 23, 2021, Meetings and March 1, 2021 Joint Special 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. Sales Tax Records Access Authorization

Adopts Resolution No. 018-21 to authorize the examination of sales, use, and transactions tax records on file with the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA) by designated City officials and Hinderliter, de Llamas & Associates (HdL).

CONSENT ITEMS: (Continued)

5. Agreement Amendment for Annual Sewer Billing Services

Adopts Resolution No. 019-21 to amend the existing professional services agreement with NV5, Inc., (the "Agreement") for continuing support with sewer billing services, in an additional amount not-to-exceed \$140,000.

6. Application for the Green Schoolyards Technical Assistance Program

Adopts Resolution No. 020-21 to approve the El Cajon Parks & Recreation Department submitting an application for the Green Schoolyards Technical Assistance Program which includes the Green Schoolyards Pledge to be signed by the Mayor and Cajon Valley Union District School Superintendent.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Sally Smythe submitted an online comment to ask the City Council to not allow the Oktoberfest event, as it may be too soon to resume gatherings in the City.

Due to a technical difficulty, a comment submitted by Elaine Briggs was read after Administrative Reports.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

7. Fiscal Year 2020-21 Mid-Year Report and Five-Year Business Plan Update

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council:

1. Receives and accepts the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Mid-Year Report and Five-Year Business Plan update;
2. Authorizes the proposed personnel changes detailed in the report;
3. Increases or modifies Fiscal Year 2020-21 appropriations in the net amount of \$40,000 for additional needs as detailed in the report; and
4. Authorizes the proposed capital expenditures detailed in the report.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: (Item 7 – Continued)

DISCUSSION

Director of Finance, Clay Schoen, provided detailed information of the Item.

No one comments were submitted for the Item.

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff concerning the following:

- Sales tax revenues;
- CARES Act Funding;
- Reimbursable Federal Funding; and
- Consideration to extend Prop J.

MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY METSCHEL, to RECEIVE and accept the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Mid-Year Report and Five-Year Business Plan update; Authorize the proposed personnel changes detailed in the report; Increase or modify Fiscal Year 2020-21 appropriations in the net amount of \$40,000 for additional needs as detailed in the report; and Authorize the proposed capital expenditures detailed in the report.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

8. Prop 68 Grant Parks & Recreation Applications

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council adopts the next Resolution(s), in order, to approve the El Cajon Parks & Recreation Department to submit one or all four Prop 68 Grant Application(s) for Parks and Recreation Facilities.

DISCUSSION

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

No comments were submitted for the Item.

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff regarding the grant application process.

MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ADOPT Resolution No. 021-21 to apply for Prop 68 Grant Sites at the Bostonia Community Center.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: (Item 8 – Continued)

MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ADOPT Resolution No. 022-21 to apply for Prop 68 Grant Sites at the Kennedy Community Center.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY METSCHEL, to ADOPT Resolution No. 023-21 to apply for Prop 68 Grant Sites at the Heartland Pickleball, Fitness Area and Playground.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ADOPT Resolution No. 024-21 to apply for Prop 68 Grant Sites at the Wells Park Pickleball, Complex & Arena Soccer Complex.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Continued)

Elaine Briggs submitted an online comment to ask the City Council to not approve an Amazon distribution center in the Fletcher Hills area.

COMMISSION REPORTS: None

ACTIVITIES REPORTS/COMMENTS OF MAYOR WELLS:

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

10. Council Activities Report/Comments

Report as stated.

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

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

13. 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.

14. 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.

In addition to the submitted report, Councilmember Ortiz stated he was not able to attend the ECTLC Teen Center Reveal.

JOINT COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS: None

GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: None

ORDINANCES: FIRST READING

15. Ordinance to Add Chapter 2.18 to Establish Local Campaign Limits

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council:

- Makes a MOTION, and second to introduce the Ordinance
- Discussion
- Vote
- If approved, the Mayor requests the City Clerk to recite the title

DISCUSSION

City Attorney Foley provided a summary of the Item, and clarified that the contribution limits do not apply to contributions made by corporations, only by individuals. He added that the limits are by election cycle.

MOTION BY ORTIZ, 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 2.18 TO TITLE 2 OF THE EL CAJON MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH LOCAL CAMPAIGN LIMITS FOR THE CITY OF EL CAJON

16. Ordinance to Amend ECMC Chapter 6.16

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council:

- Makes a MOTION, and second to introduce the Ordinance
- Discussion
- Vote
- If approved, the Mayor requests the City Clerk to recite the title

ORDINANCES: FIRST READING (Item 16 – Continued)

DISCUSSION

City Attorney Foley provided a summary of the Item.

MOTION BY ORTIZ, 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 TO AMEND SECTIONS 6.16.060 AND 6.16.090, AND TO REPEAL SECTIONS 6.16.080 AND 6.16.120, OF CHAPTER 6.16 OF TITLE 6 OF THE EL CAJON MUNICIPAL CODE TO CONFORM TO THE SAN DIEGO HUMANE SOCIETY'S DOG LICENSING PROCEDURES

17. Speed Limit Zone-Hacienda Drive

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council:

- Makes a MOTION, and second to introduce the Ordinance
- Discussion
- Vote
- If approved, the Mayor requests the City Clerk to recite the title

DISCUSSION

City Traffic Engineer, Mario Sanchez provided a summary of the Item.

MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY GOBLE, to INTRODUCE the Ordinance.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 10.20.130 OF CHAPTER 10.20 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCLUDE UPDATING THE EXISTING SPEED LIMIT FOR HACIENDA DRIVE FROM SWALLOW DRIVE TO WINDMILL VIEW ROAD

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:

18. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation – Initiation of 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 4:32 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AT 4:48 p.m.

City Attorney Foley reported the following actions:

- Direction was given to the City 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 9th day of March, 2021, at 4:49 p.m., to Tuesday, March 9, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

ANGELA L. CORTEZ, CMC
City Clerk/Secretary