

# 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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**July 27, 2021**

An Adjourned Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/ Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency, held Tuesday, July 27, 2021, was called to order by Mayor/Chair Bill Wells at 3:01 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, California.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Council/Agencymembers present:	Metschel, and Ortiz
Council/Agencymembers absent:	Goble
Deputy Mayor/Vice Chair present:	Kendrick
Mayor/Chair present:	Wells
Other Officers present:	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 July 13, 2021, Meetings and the Agenda of the July 27, Meetings in accordance with State Law and El Cajon City/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency Policy.

**PRESENTATIONS:** None

**AGENDA CHANGES:** None

**CONSENT ITEMS: (1 – 5)**

**MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY ORTIZ, to APPROVE Consent Items 1 to 5.**

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

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

Approves Minutes of the July 13, 2021, Meetings 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. Contract Amendment for Electrical Engineering Services

Adopts Resolution No. 061-21 to increase the Agreement for Professional Services with Dersch Design & Engineering, Inc., for electrical engineering services for the Public Safety Center Renewable Energy Project in the not-to-exceed amount of \$16,000.

5. Updates to City Council Policy A-29, Compensation Plan for Executive and Unrepresented Employees

Approves the changes to City Council Policy A-29 described in the report and reflected on the attachments.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Stephanie Harper submitted an online comment about the Police tower at Parkway Plaza mall and the portable restrooms set up Promenade Park, which she said are not available to the public.

City Manager Mitchell clarified that the portable restrooms were not set up by the City but were rather part of a private event held in the City.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

6. Concessions Revenue Share Arrangement with the East County Transitional Living Center

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council approves a revenue share of net concession revenue with East County Transitional Living Center for its August 28, 2021 fundraising event at The Magnolia.

**DISCUSSION**

Mayor Wells recused himself and left the Chamber at 3:05 p.m.

City Manager Mitchell provided detailed information of the Item.

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff regarding the following:

- Cost to use The Magnolia;
- Frequency of non-profit requests for the use of The Magnolia;
- Using Live Nation staff for events; and
- Support from the City Council for the event.

No comments were received for the Item.

**MOTION BY METSCHEL, SECOND BY ORTIZ, to APPROVE a revenue share of net concession revenue with East County Transitional Living Center for its August 28, 2021 fundraising event at The Magnolia.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT (GOBLE – Absent, WELLS – Disqualified).**

Mayor Wells returned to the Chamber at 3:13 p.m.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: (Continued)**

7. Update on the City's Redistricting Process

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council receives the report from staff about the City's redistricting process and summary of the first Redistricting Hearing.

**DISCUSSION**

Assistant to the City Manager, David Richards, provided detailed information of the Item.

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff regarding the following:

- Request for Power Point used at the Public Hearing to be posted online;
- Middle Eastern population comment of not being counted properly on the census;
- Request to send a support letter to the U.S. Congress, supporting the Middle Eastern request to be counted; and
- Utilizing data from the census to obtain information on languages spoken in the City.

No comments were received 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.

8. Council Activities Report/Comments

Report as stated.

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**ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS:**

9. 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.

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

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

Mayor Pro Tem Kendrick and Mayor Wells thanked the Police Department for their support for the July 25, 2021 event in the City.

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

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

1. Opposition to HR 127 (Sabika Sheikh Firearms Licensing and Registration Act)

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council schedules an agenda item for August 10, 2021 to consider a proposal to oppose HR 127 (Sabika Sheikh Firearms Licensing and Registration Act).

**ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS: (Item 1. – Continued)**

**DISCUSSION**

Councilmember Metschel provided detailed information of the Item.

Discussion ensued among Council in support of sending a letter of opposition to HR 127 to Congress.

City Attorney Foley reminded Councilmembers that the item on the agenda is only to schedule the discussion and decision making for the August 10, 2021 Council meeting.

No comments were received for the Item.

**MOTION BY METSCHEL, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to SCHEDULE an agenda item for August 10, 2021 to consider a proposal to oppose HR 127 (Sabika Sheikh Firearms Licensing and Registration Act).**

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

12. 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: None**

**GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: None**

**ORDINANCES: FIRST READING - None**

## **ORDINANCES: SECOND READING AND ADOPTION**

13. Amendment to Municipal Code Title 2 Administration and Personnel

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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

### **DISCUSSION**

No comments were received for the Item.

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

An Ordinance to Amend Section 2.24.100 of Chapter 2.24, and Sections 2.64.030, 2.64.050, and 2.64.060 of Chapter 2.64 of Title 2 of the El Cajon Municipal Code to Amend the Personnel Commission Powers and Duties and to Amend the List of Exceptions to the City's Personnel System.

**MOTION BY KENDRICK, SECOND BY ORTIZ, to ADOPT Ordinance No. 5112, to Amend Section 2.24.100 of Chapter 2.24, and Sections 2.64.030, 2.64.050, and 2.64.060 of Chapter 2.64 of Title 2 of the El Cajon Municipal Code to Amend the Personnel Commission Powers and Duties and to Amend the List of Exceptions to the City's Personnel System.**

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

**CLOSED SESSIONS:** None

**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 27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021, at 3:27 p.m., to Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

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ANGELA L. CORTEZ, CMC  
City Clerk/Secretary