

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

May 24, 2022

An Adjourned Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/ Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency, held Tuesday, May 24, 2022, was called to order by Mayor/Chair Bill Wells at 3:51 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, California.

ROLL CALL

Council/Agencymembers present:	Goble, Kendrick, and Ortiz
Council/Agencymembers absent:	None
Deputy Mayor/Vice Chair present:	Metschel
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 to honor the victims of the Uvalde, Texas School Shooting. (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 10, 2022, meeting and the Agenda of the May 24, 2022, meeting in accordance with State Law and El Cajon City/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency Policy.

PRESENTATIONS:

- El Cajon Downtown Business Partners
- 2022 San Diego County Fair
- Homeless Services Video by CTE AME Pathways Students from El Cajon Valley High School
- Mindful Moments with Human Resources - The Importance of Mental Health

AGENDA CHANGES: None

CONSENT ITEMS: (1 – 5)

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

Approve Minutes of the May 10, 2022, Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/ Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency.

2. Warrants

Approve payment of Warrants as submitted by the Finance Department.

3. Approval of Reading Ordinances by Title Only

Approve the reading by title and waives the reading in full of all Ordinances on the Agenda.

4. Adoption of the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) List of Proposed Projects for FY 2022-23

Adopt Resolution No. 042-22 to adopt the proposed List of Projects to be funded from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) Local Streets and Roads Funding Program for Fiscal Year 2022-23; and Direct City staff to submit to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) a list of proposed projects to receive RMRA funding for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

CONSENT ITEMS: (Continued)

PULLED FOR DISCUSSION:

5. Award of Bid No. 001-23 – Graffiti Abatement Services

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council adopts the next Resolution, in order, to award the bid to the sole responsive, responsible bidder, Urban Corps of San Diego County (UCSDC), in the amount of \$147,600 for the initial one-year term, with up to four additional one-year renewal options.

DISCUSSION

In answer to a question by Councilmember Goble, City Manager Mitchell clarified the amount for the award of the contract, and the subsequent renewal pricing.

Adopt Resolution No. 043-22 to award the bid to the sole responsive, responsible bidder, Urban Corps of San Diego County (UCSDC), in the amount of \$147,600 for the initial one-year term, with up to four additional one-year renewal options.

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

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Patricia Wiley, representing El Cajon, County Community Library, invited the City Council to the Library's Annual Membership meeting.

Recess called at 3:50 p.m.
Meeting called back to order at 3:58 p.m.

Councilmember Kendrick left the Chamber at 3:58 p.m.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

6. City Council Meeting Schedule

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council considers canceling its August 23, 2022 meeting.

DISCUSSION

City Manager Mitchell provided detailed information of the Item.

No public comment was received.

MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY ORTIZ, to CANCEL the August 23, 2022 City Council meeting.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

7. East County Advanced Water Purification Program Informational Update

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council receives the East County Advanced Water Purification Program Update.

DISCUSSION

Director of Public Works, Yazmin Arellano, provided detailed information of the Item.

Councilmember Goble provided information on pending issues such as:

- The East Mission Gorge pump;
- Sludge & grime residuals; and
- Lower rates for customers.

No public comment was received.

No motion required as this was an informational Item only.

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 submitted.

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.

In addition to the submitted report, Councilmember Goble provided an update on the Meridian Church Sleeping Cabins project.

10. COUNCILMEMBER GARY KENDRICK
METRO Commission/Wastewater JPA; Heartland Communications; Heartland Fire Training JPA.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as submitted.

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

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as submitted.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS: (Councilmembers)

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 submitted.

JOINT COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

13. Senior Wastewater Billing Postponement Program

That the City Council directs staff to develop a Senior Wastewater Billing Postponement program for City Council consideration.

DISCUSSION

Councilmember Ortiz provided detailed information of the Item.

Conversation ensued amongst the City Council and staff regarding:

- Request to review programs offered by the State;
- Provide budget ideas for seniors; and
- Qualification requirements.

No public comment was received.

MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY METSCHEL, to DIRECT staff to develop a Senior Wastewater Billing Postponement program for City Council consideration.

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

GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: None

ORDINANCES: FIRST READING: None

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING AND ADOPTION: None

CLOSED SESSIONS:

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency adjourns to Closed Session as follows:

14. Closed Session - Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6.

Agency Designated Representatives:

Vince DiMaggio, Assistant City Manager
Marisol Thorn, Director of Human Resources
Clay Schoen, Director of Finance

Unrepresented Employees:

Graham Mitchell, City Manager
Morgan L. Foley, City Attorney
Executive, Unrepresented and Confidential Employees

15. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9:

Sean N. Vent vs. City of El Cajon, et al.
San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2019-00040676-CU-MC-CTL

City Attorney Foley stated a correction to Item 14 to include City Manager Mitchell in the Agency Designated Representatives.

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY ORTIZ, to ADJOURN to Closed Session at 4:19 p.m.

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

RECONVENED to Open Session at 4:36 p.m.

City Attorney Foley reported the following actions:

- Item 14: Direction given to negotiator on behalf of the City.
- Item 15: No reportable action taken.

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 24th day of May, 2022, at 4:37 p.m., to Tuesday, June 14, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.

ANGELA L. CORTEZ, CMC
City Clerk/Secretary