

# 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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#### August 9, 2022

An Adjourned Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/ Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency, held Tuesday, August 9, 2022, was called to order by Mayor/Chair Bill Wells at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, California. This meeting was adjourned from the Adjourned Regular Joint Meeting held at 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 9, 2022, by order of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency.

#### 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.**

**AGENDA CHANGES:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

100. Planned Unit Development and Tentative Parcel Map for the Naranca 3-Unit Development

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council:

1. Opens the Public Hearing and receives testimony;
2. Closes the Public Hearing;
3. Moves to adopt the next Resolution, in order, approving the CEQA Exemption;
4. Moves to adopt the next Resolution, in order, approving Planned Unit Development No. 2020-0001, subject to conditions; and
5. Moves to adopt the next Resolution, in order, approving Tentative Parcel Map No. 2021-0002, subject to conditions.

**DISCUSSION**

Deputy Director of Community Development, Noah Alvey, provided a summary of the Item.

Mayor Wells opened the Public Hearing.

No public comment was received but the applicant's representative, Samer Mikha was available to answer questions from the Council.

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

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff concerning the following:

- Sound mitigation concerns; and
- Privacy concerns from the two-story units.

**MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ADOPT Resolution No. 078-22 approving the CEQA Exemption; ADOPT Resolution No. 079-22 approving Planned Unit Development No. 2020-0001, subject to conditions; and ADOPT Resolution No. 080-22 approving Tentative Parcel Map No. 2021-0002, subject to conditions.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:**

101. El Cajon Public Safety and Essential Services Measure

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council:

1. Adopts the next Resolution, in order, authorizing the placement of a one-cent sales tax measure on the November 8, 2022 ballot.
2. Conducts first reading, by title only, of an Ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 4919 and imposing a transactions and use tax to be administered by the State Department of Tax and Fee Administration.
3. Adopts the next Resolution, in order, establishing the City Council's priorities for expending any new sales tax funds generated from the measure, if approved.
4. Allocates up to \$150,000 in General Reserves for information sharing efforts.

## **DISCUSSION**

Assistant City Manager Vince DiMaggio, acknowledged Management Analyst, Ryan Villegas' efforts leading up to the presentation of the Item. Assistant City Manager DiMaggio and City Manager Mitchell provided detailed information of the Item.

City Attorney Foley stated that an updated copy of the proposed Ordinance was available for the City Council and the public. The changes include the wording 'People of the City of El Cajon do ordain' as they would vote on the matter and the second change is the effective date which would be 30 days after the adoption of the Ordinance.

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff concerning the following:

- Citizens' Oversight Committee;
- Term of proposed sales tax measure;
- Rate of proposed sales tax measure;
- Effective date for proposed sales tax measure to take effect;
- Concern of what the additional tax will do for local businesses;
- Funds to be utilized for additional police officers, a new fire engine and cleaning up of homeless encampments; and
- Ability of the City Council to suspend the proposed tax measure when additional funds are no longer needed.

Mayor Wells opened the Public Hearing.

Patrick Grillot shared ideas on the Citizens' Oversight Committee and benchmark indicators for the proposed Measure.

Discussion ensued among Council, Staff and Mr. Grillot regarding the number of committee members to be selected, if the proposed Measure is approved.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: (Item 101 - Continued)**

*Recess called at 8:19 p.m.  
Meeting called back to order at 8:24 p.m.*

Discussion continued among Council and Staff concerning the following:

- Consideration to have seven (7) members in the oversight committee;
- Concern of being able to deliver the citizens' expectations;
- The direct need to deliver expectations justifies the sales tax measure;
- Citizens asking for more public safety services; and
- Discussion on who would sign the argument in favor of the measure.

**MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ADOPT Resolution No. 081-22, authorizing the placement of a one-cent sales tax measure on the November 8, 2022 ballot, and remove section 16 of the draft Resolution.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

**MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to CONDUCT the first reading, by title only, of an Ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 4919 and imposing a transactions and use tax to be administered by the State Department of Tax and Fee Administration.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

**MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to RECONSIDER the re-adoption of the Ordinance imposing a transactions and use tax to be administered by the State Department of Tax and Fee Administration with the changes previously discussed.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

**MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to CONDUCT the first reading, by title only, of an Ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 4919 and imposing a transactions and use tax to be administered by the State Department of Tax and Fee Administration with changes to section 16 to increase the number of committee members to seven (7), including five (5) members of the City of El Cajon and the effective date which would be 30 days after the adoption of the Ordinance.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: (Item 101 - Continued)**

**MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ADOPT Resolution No. 082-22 establishing the City Council's priorities for expending any new sales tax funds generated from the measure, if approved.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

**MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ALLOCATE up to \$150,000 in General Reserves for information sharing efforts.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

**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 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022, at 9 p.m., to Tuesday, September 13, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.**

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ANGELA L. CORTEZ, CMC  
City Clerk/Secretary