

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 26, 2024

An Adjourned Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency, held Tuesday, March 26, 2024, was called to order by Mayor/Chair Bill Wells at 3:02 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, California.

ROLL CALL

Council/Agencymembers present:	Goble, Kendrick, and Metschel
Council/Agencymembers absent:	None
Deputy Mayor/Vice Chair present:	Ortiz
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 THE FLAG led by Mayor Wells and MOMENT OF SILENCE.

POSTINGS: The City Clerk posted Orders of Adjournment of the March 12, 2024, meeting and the Agenda of the March 26, 2024, meeting in accordance with State Law and El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency Policy.

PRESENTATIONS:

- April Pool's Day

AGENDA CHANGES: None

CONSENT ITEMS: (1 – 10)

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

Approve Minutes of the March 12, 2024, 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. Classification Specifications for Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Analyst I/II

Approve the classification specifications for Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Analyst I/II.

5. Contract Amendment for El Cajon Transit Center Community Improvements Construction Management Services

Adopt Resolution No. 028-24 to approve a second amendment to the Public Works Contract with Project Professionals Corporation (PPC) for El Cajon Transit Center Community Improvements increasing construction management services by the not-to-exceed amount of \$135,801.51, for work to be performed through and including September 30, 2024.

CONSENT ITEMS: (Continued)

6. Request for Additional Funds for Increased Vehicle Costs

Adopts Resolution No. 029-24 to Appropriate \$204,540 of Fleet Replacement Fund (606) Balance for increased vehicle costs; and Authorize the purchase of remaining replacement vehicles in the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget.

DISCUSSION

Councilmember Goble stated that the 20% increase reflects an increase from when the budget was prepared for fleet replacement. Mr. Goble suggested replacing vehicles a year sooner than scheduled to avoid repair costs.

7. Continuation of Emergency for Storm Damage Repairs to Public Facilities

Adopt Resolution No. 030-24, proclaiming the Continuation of Emergency for Storm Damage Repairs to Public Facilities.

8. Award of Bid No. 032-24 – Trunk Sewer Cleaning & Video Inspection

Adopt Resolution No. 031-24 to Approve Plans and Specifications for Trunk Sewer Cleaning & Video Inspection, Bid No. 032-24; and Adopt Resolution No. 032-24 to Award the bid to the sole responsive, responsible bidder, National Plant Services, Inc., in the amount of \$241,727.12.

9. Events in the Right of Way - Cajon Classic Cruise

Review and approve the proposed road closures and traffic control plan for the "Cajon Classic Cruise" events.

10. Events in the Right of Way - Dinner and a Concert

Review and approve the submitted road closures for the "Dinner and a Concert" events.

MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY WELLS, to APPROVE Consent Items 1 to 10.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Brenda Hammond spoke about being harassed by radical groups.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

11. Consideration of an Adjustment to the SANDAG Regional Transportation Congestion Improvement Program (RTCIP) Fee

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council:

1. Opens the Public Hearing and receives testimony;
2. Closes the Public Hearing; and
3. Adopts the next Resolution, in order, approving an adjustment to the Regional Transportation Congestion Improvement Program (RTCIP) Fee to the new amount of \$2,875.06, for each newly-constructed residential unit.

DISCUSSION

Deputy Director of Public Works, Mario Sanchez, provided a summary of the Item.

Mayor Wells opened the Public Hearing.

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff concerning the following:

- Construction Cost Index;
- Regional Arterial System explanation; and
- City does not charge a development impact fee to encourage new businesses.

No public comments were received for the Item.

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

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY METSCHEL, to ADOPT Resolution No. 033-24 approving an adjustment to the Regional Transportation Congestion Improvement Program (RTCIP) Fee to the new amount of \$2,875.06, for each newly-constructed residential unit.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

12. 2023 General Plan Annual Progress Report

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council:

1. Accepts the 2023 General Plan Annual Progress Report; and
2. Directs staff to forward the report to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR), the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), and the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG).

DISCUSSION

Director of Community Development, Anthony Shute, provided detailed information of the Item.

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff concerning the following:

- Development impact fee waived;
- Section 8 housing in the City; and
- Need for multi-housing units.

No public comments were received for the Item.

MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY GOBLE, to Accept the 2023 General Plan Annual Progress Report; and Direct staff to forward the report to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR), the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), and the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG).

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

13. A Summary of the Downtown Business Partners Review and Consideration of the Recommendations from the New City America Report on the Property Business Improvement District (PBID).

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an informational report only. No action is required.

DISCUSSION

Assistant City Manager, Vince DiMaggio, provided detailed information of the Item.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: (Item 13 – Continued)

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff concerning the following:

- Expanding boundaries for PBID businesses;
- Reconsider zoning for bars and nightlife in downtown El Cajon;
- Low involvement on the PBID board;
- Incentives for building residences in downtown, above businesses; and
- Need for a satisfaction survey among PBID businesses.

No public comments were received for the Item.

No Motion was required for the Item.

14. Report on Implementing Fire Engine 208

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council receives a report on the status of implementing Fire Engine 208.

DISCUSSION

City Manager Mitchell provided detailed information of the Item.

City Council spoke in support of the Item, and the suggestion to promote for lateral transfers from local agencies was made.

No public comments were received for the Item.

No Motion was required for the Item.

COMMISSION REPORTS: None

ACTIVITIES REPORTS/COMMENTS OF MAYOR WELLS:

SANDAG (San Diego Association of Governments) Board of Directors.

15. Council Activities Report/Comments

Report as submitted.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS:

16. 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.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as submitted.

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

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as submitted.

18. COUNCILMEMBER MICHELLE METSCHEL
Harry Griffen Park Joint Steering Committee; Heartland Communications – Alternate; Heartland Fire Training JPA – Alternate; METRO Commission/Wastewater JPA – Alternate.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as submitted.

19. DEPUTY MAYOR 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.

*Recess called at 4:34 p.m.
Meeting Called back to order at 4:38 p.m.*

Councilmember Kendrick did not return to the Chamber after recess was called.

JOINT COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

20. Maintenance of Bus Stops and Addition of New Bus Shelters

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council directs staff to provide an analysis of the pros and cons of turning over the bus stop shelter and maintenance program to MTS.

DISCUSSION

Councilmember Goble provided detailed information on the Item.

Discussion ensued among Council and Staff concerning the following:

- Pros & Cons of turning bus stop shelter maintenance to MTS;
- Concern for alcohol and drug advertising; and
- Concern for any other inappropriate advertising.

No public comment was received for the Item.

MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY METSCHEL, to DIRECT staff to provide an analysis of the pros and cons of turning over the bus stop shelter and maintenance program to MTS.

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

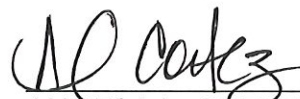
GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: None

ORDINANCES: FIRST READING - None

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - None

CLOSED SESSIONS: 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 26th day of March, 2024, at 4:45 p.m., to Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.



ANGELA L. CORTEZ, CMC
City Clerk/Secretary