

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the La Mesa City Council
Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California

This meeting was conducted utilizing teleconferencing and electronic means consistent with State of California Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

The City Council minutes are prepared and ordered to correspond to the City Council Agenda. Agenda Items can be taken out of order during the meeting.

The Agenda Items were considered in the order presented.

Mayor Arapostathis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Arapostathis; Vice Mayor Baber; Councilmembers Alessio, Parent, and Weber.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: City Manager Humora; City Attorney Sabine; City Clerk Wiegelman.

INVOCATION – VICE MAYOR BABER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

City Manager Humora provided an update on the rules and regulations issued by the City in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency and summarized the latest health order changes from the State of California and County of San Diego.

City Attorney Sabine provided background on the eviction rules and regulations issued by the State in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency. City Attorney Sabine explained the City's authority as it relates to evictions.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN REPORTS

The Mayor, Council and staff made announcements and reported on various events taking place in the City. No action was taken.

PRESENTATION

POLICE CHIEF'S QUARTERLY REPORT

Captain Sweeney presented the crime statistics for the quarter ending March 31, 2020, explained the statistics in the various crime categories and highlighted recently solved cases. Captain Sweeney briefly discussed the Department's proactive operations and strategic enforcement to help reduce crime and also reviewed various community outreach activities that took place.

Following Council questions and comments, no action was taken.

ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – (TOTAL TIME – 15 MINUTES)

There were no public comments.

CONFLICT DISCLOSURES

There were no conflict of interest disclosures.

CONSENT CALENDAR

(Items 1 through 5)

1. APPROVAL OF MOTION TO WAIVE THE READING OF THE TEXT OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AT THIS MEETING

Approved.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2020

Approved.

3. RESOLUTION AWARDED A TASK ORDER TO HARRIS AND ASSOCIATES FOR WASTEWATER UTILITY BILLING, ANNUAL ADMINISTRATION AND RELATED SERVICES

Resolution No. 2020-047 was adopted.

4. RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT TO AMERICAN ASPHALT SOUTH, INC. FOR BID NO. 20-23, 2020 SLURRY SEAL PROJECT (VARIOUS LOCATIONS)

Resolution No. 2020-048 was adopted.

5. A. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LOAN AGREEMENT (NO. 8394-110) WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR A STATE REVOLVING FUND LOAN;

Resolution No. 2020-049 was adopted.

B. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FUNDS FROM THE STATE REVOLVING FUND LOAN (NO. 8394-110) AND APPROPRIATING THE EXPENDITURE IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECT ACCOUNT;

Resolution No. 2020-050 was adopted.

C. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID NO. 18-01, PARKWAY DRIVE AND ALVARADO ROAD TRUNK SEWER PHASE 3 UPGRADE PROJECT AND AWARDDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO SC VALLEY ENGINEERING, INC.; AND

Resolution No. 2020-051 was adopted.

D. RESOLUTION APPROVING A TASK ORDER TO INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEERING CORPORATION TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR PARKWAY DRIVE AND ALVARADO ROAD TRUNK SEWER PHASE 3 UPGRADE PROJECT

Resolution No. 2020-052 was adopted.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Alessio and seconded by Councilmember Parent to approve Consent Calendar Items 1 through 5.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Baber, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Parent, and Councilmember Weber

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

HEARING

6. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION APPROVING A SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM TO PROGRAM CDBG CORONAVIRUS (CDBG-CV) FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

Notice of the hearing was given in accordance with legal requirements, and the hearing was held on the date and at the time specified in the notice.

Mayor Arapostathis opened the hearing for Item 7.

Community Development Director Kusiak provided a PowerPoint presentation on the 2015-2019 CDBG Consolidated Plan priority needs, the regulations and requirements of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) funds, the proposed amendment to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Action Plan, the highest identified needs, and the proposed allocation of the CDBG-CV funds.

City Clerk Wiegelman read aloud the first 300 words of the emailed public comments submitted by 4:00 p.m. the day of the Council meeting.

Bonnie Baranoff submitted a comment in support of the CDBG-CV funds being used to provide services to the homeless and other vulnerable populations.

Lois Knowlton, La Mesa First United Methodist Church, submitted a comment in support of the CDBG-CV funds being used to provide services for the homeless.

ACTION: Motioned by Mayor Arapostathis and seconded by Councilmember Parent to close the hearing since there were no more members of the public who wished to speak.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Baber, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Parent, and Councilmember Weber
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion passed.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Parent and seconded by Councilmember Weber to (1) allocate the CDBG-CV funds to homeless services; (2) allocate a portion of the CDBG-CV funds anticipated to be received from the County to other vulnerable population services; and (3) adopt the Resolution approving a substantial amendment to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan for the CDBG Program to program CDBG-CV funds and authorizing submittal to HUD.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Baber, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Parent, and Councilmember Weber
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion passed. Resolution No. 2020-053 was adopted.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (3 MINUTE LIMIT)

The Mayor and Council reported on various outside boards, commissions and committee meetings they attended. No action was taken.

AB 1234 REPORTS (GC 53232.3(d))

There were no reports.

CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

There were no remarks.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:42 p.m., Mayor Arapostathis adjourned the meeting in honor and memory of Councilmember Parent's father Don Parent, who was a booster for East County taking active and leadership roles in community organizations and was an unfailingly kind and helpful person.

Megan Wiegelman, CMC
City Clerk