

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA PALMA CITY COUNCIL

September 4, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Charoen called the Regular Meeting of the La Palma City Council to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Council Chambers of La Palma City Hall, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, California, with all members present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Waldman

INVOCATION: Kaushik Patel, The Gaytri Chetna Center

ROLL CALL: Council and Commission Members

Council/Commission Members present: Mayor/Chairperson Charoen, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairperson Hwangbo, Council/Commission Member Rodriguez, Council/Commission Member Shanahan, and Council/Commission Member Waldman

Council/Commission Members absent: None

City Officials present: Ellen Volmert, City Manager/Executive Director
Joel Kuperberg, City Attorney
Michael Belknap, Recreation and Community Services Director
Douglas Dumhart, Community Development Director
Jeff Moneda, Public Works Director
Eric Nuñez, Police Chief
Michael Solorza, Finance Director
Laurie Murray, Administrative Services Manager/City Clerk
Kimberly Kenney, Minutes Clerk

PRESENTATIONS

1. Mayor Charoen introduced Ellen Volmert as the new City Manager.

2. Cheody Fortunado, Vice Chairperson of the La Palma Community Activities and Beautification Committee Home Spotlight Committee, accepted the Quarterly Home Spotlight Award for Dung Wong and Jin Hee Kwak, 5792 Crestview Circle, La Palma.
3. Recreation Coordinator Rabinovich and Recreation Specialist Albarian recognized the 2012 Volunteens and, along with Mayor Charoen, presented them with certificates of recognition and stipends.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

No members of the public wished to speak.

RECESS THE CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISOLVED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LA PALMA AT 7:22 P.M.

Administrative Services Manager/City Clerk Murray stated that "The City Council will now recess and convene as the Successor Agency to the Dissolved Community Development Commission of the City La Palma, and then recess and convene as the Planning Commission. Members of the La Palma City Council receive no compensation or stipend as a result of convening or participating in either the Successor Agency or Planning Commission meetings, or otherwise as serving as members of the Successor Agency or Planning Commission."

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Resolution setting forth Certain Organizational Matters Pertaining to the Successor Agency

Resolution No. SA 2012-20 setting forth certain organizational matters pertaining to the Successor Agency.

- B. Approval of Successor Agency Minutes

Minutes of the August 7, 2012, Regular Meeting of the Successor Agency.

- C. Approval of Register of Demands

Resolution No. SA 2012-21 approving the Successor Agency Register of Demands for August 21, 2012, and September 4, 2012.

D. Successor Agency Cash and Investment Report as of June 30, 2012

Receive and file the Cash and Investment Report as of June 30, 2012.

Council Member Waldman made a motion to approve Consent Calendar Items A, B, C, and D.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Rodriguez and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Chairperson Charoen, Vice Chairperson Hwangbo, Council Member Rodriguez, Council Member Shanahan, and Council Member Waldman

NOES: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None Scheduled.

REGULAR ITEMS

None Scheduled.

ADJOURN THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND CONVENE AS THE PLANNING COMMISSION AT 7:23 P.M.

CONSENT CALENDAR

PL-1. Approval of Planning Commission Minutes

Minutes of the August 7, 2012, Regular Meeting of the La Palma Planning Commission.

Commission Member Rodriguez made a motion to approve Consent Calendar Item PL-1.

The motion was seconded by Commission Member Shanahan and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Chairperson Charoen, Vice Chairperson
Hwangbo, Commission Member Rodriguez,
Commission Member Shanahan, and
Commission Member Waldman

NOES: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None Scheduled.

REGULAR ITEMS

None Scheduled.

ADJOURN THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND RECONVENE AS THE CITY
COUNCIL AT 7:24 P.M.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Waive the Reading of All Ordinances

Waive the reading of all Ordinances in their entirety and read by title only.

2. Approval of Council Minutes

Approve the Minutes of the August 7, 2012, Regular Meeting of the La Palma City Council and the Minutes of the August 16, 2012, Special Meeting of the City Council.

3. Approval of Register of Demands

Resolution No. 2012-47 approving the Registers of Demands for August 21, 2012, and September 4, 2012.

4. Cash and Investment Report as of June 30, 2012

Receive and file the Cash and Investment Report as of June 30, 2012.

5. Destruction of Obsolete Finance Department Records

Resolution No. 2012-48 authorizing the destruction of obsolete finance records pursuant to the California Government Code Section 34090.

6. Resolution Amending the Salary and Benefit Schedule for Part-time Employees

Resolution No. 2012-49 amending the salary and benefit schedule for part-time employees.

7. Resolution Delegating Authorization to City Personnel to Execute Agreements with the California Department of Transportation

Resolution No. 2012-50 delegating authorization to City personnel to execute all Master Agreements, Program Supplemental Agreements, Fund Exchange Agreements, and/or Fund Transfer Agreements with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

Council Member Waldman made a motion to approve Consent Calendar Items 1 through 7.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Shanahan and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Charoen, Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo,
Council Member Rodriguez, Council Member
Shanahan, and Council Member Waldman

NOES: None

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

8. Joint Use Agreement with Centralia School District for Contribution by City for Shade Structure at George B. Miller School

Agenda Item 8 was pulled by staff and will be brought back for City Council consideration at the September 18 City Council meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None Scheduled.

REGULAR ITEMS

9. Award of Contract to Equarius Waterworks for the Residential Water Meter Replacement and Commercial Water Meter Radio Retrofit Project (City Project No. 10-WTR-05)

Public Works Director Moneda gave the Staff Report.

The following individual addressed the City Council regarding the Residential Water Meter Radio Retrofit Project:

Eric Tracy, President of Equarius Waterworks.

Council Comments and Questions:

Discussion ensued regarding the mechanics of the new meters; a residential opt-out option; the retrofit process; and water funds only being used for water projects and water salaries.

Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo made a motion to award a Contract to Equarius Waterworks for the Residential Water Meter Replacement and Commercial Water Meter Radio Retrofit Project (City Project No. 10-WTR-05).

The motion was seconded by Council Member Shanahan and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Charoen, Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo,
Council Member Rodriguez, Council Member
Shanahan, and Council Member Waldman

NOES: None

COUNCILMEMBER AB1234 REPORTS, REPORTS FROM CITY-AFFILIATED
COMMITTEES, AND COUNCIL REMARKS

Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo attended the Civic Expo and National Night Out event; the August 16 Special City Council meeting; the West Orange County Legislative Committee Mixer; a meeting with the Buena Park School District; the League of California Cities (LOCC) Orange County Division meeting; and the General Plan Update work session. He requested that Staff reach out to the younger segment of the City's population to get their feedback on the General Plan Update and welcomed new City Manager Volmert to the La Palma Staff.

Council Member Rodriguez attended the John F. Kennedy (JFK) Football Boosters; the Civic Expo and National Night Out event; a meeting with Congresswoman Linda

Sanchez; the August 16 Special City Council meeting; the Summer Concerts in the Park; JFK's opening night football game; the Kiwanis's JFK High School breakfast; the Kiwanis's Welcome to Walker Junior High event; and cooked hot dogs for the public at the last Concert in the Park. He announced plans to attend an upcoming rescheduled Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) meeting and reminded the public of an upcoming Pacific Electric Right-of-Way (PEROW) meeting where the public's input is welcomed.

Council Member Shanahan welcomed new City Manager Volmert to the La Palma Staff. He reported that he had attended the Civic Expo and National Night Out event; and cooked hot dogs for the public at the last Concert in the Park. He announced plans to attend the upcoming LOCC meeting in San Diego.

Council Member Waldman attended the general meeting of the Orange County Sanitation District (OCSA); the Summer Concerts in the Park; cooked hot dogs for the public at the last Concert in the Park; and a meeting of the Steve Luther Elementary School PTA.

Mayor Charoen attended the Summer Concerts in the Park and thanked Staff for putting together another great Concert in the Park series; attended a lunch with the Mayor event; the West Orange County Legislative Committee Mixer; an interview with a student from the Mind Research Institute; and a meeting with a resident regarding their water bill. He welcomed new City Manager Volmert to the La Palma Staff.

CITY MANAGER REMARKS

City Manager Volmert announced that she plans to attend the upcoming LOCC meeting in San Diego along with the City Council and Administrative Services Manager Murray. She noted that upcoming agenda items include the George Miller Elementary shade structure and the City's financial plan.

CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

City Attorney Kuperberg welcomed new City Manager Volmert to the La Palma City Staff and reported on the recent legislative term. He reported that he will be attending the upcoming LOCC meeting in San Diego.

Mayor Charoen requested to take a short recess at 8:02 p.m. and indicated that the City Council would reconvene in closed session in five minutes.

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Charoen reconvened the City Council in Closed Session at 8:07 p.m. with all members present.

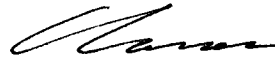
CS1. The City Council will meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9)

Mayor Charoen reconvened the City Council in Open Session at 8:16 p.m.

Administrative Services Manager/City Clerk stated that there were no reportable actions.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Charoen adjourned the Regular Meeting of the La Palma City Council at 8:17 p.m.



G. Henry Charoen
Mayor

Attest:



Laurie A. Murray, CMC
City Clerk