

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA PALMA CITY COUNCIL

August 15, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Steggell called the Regular Meeting of the La Palma City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at La Palma City Hall, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, with Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo being absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Kim

INVOCATION: President Rick Nitta, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

ROLL CALL: Council Members

Council Members present: Council Member Goedhart, Council Member Goodman, Council Member Kim, and Mayor Steggell

Council Members absent: Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo

City Officials present: Laurie Murray, City Manager
Joel Kuperberg, City Attorney
Michael Belknap, Community Services Director
Terry Kim, Police Chief
Sea Shelton, Administrative Services Director
Kimberly Kenney, Deputy City Clerk

PRESENTATIONS

1. Police Chief Kim introduced Lupita Salazar as the new Police Records Clerk.
2. Mayor Steggell presented Certificates of Recognition to the members and Coach of the John F. Kennedy High School Boys Volleyball Team for winning the 2017 California Interscholastic Federation Southern Section (CIF-SS) State Championship Title.

Assemblywoman Sharon Quirk-Silva also issued Certificates of Recognition to all members of the team for their accomplishments.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Terryl Weber, a La Palma resident, addressed the City Council regarding his previous concerns with the Crossing Guard Services contract; thanked Police Chief Kim for following up on his request; and appreciates the visible service improvements with the Crossing Guards.

RECESS THE CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE CITY OF LA PALMA AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AT 7:16 P.M.

Deputy City Clerk Kenney stated, "The City Council will now recess and convene as the Successor Agency to the Dissolved Community Development Commission of the City La Palma. Members of the La Palma City Council receive no compensation or stipend as a result of convening or participating in the Successor Agency or otherwise as serving as members of the Successor Agency."

CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of Successor Agency Minutes

Minutes of the August 1, 2017, Regular Meeting of the Successor Agency.

Council Member Kim made a motion to approve Consent Calendar Item A.

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

AYES:	Council Member Goedhart, Council Member Goodman, Council Member Kim, and Mayor Steggell
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None Scheduled.

REGULAR ITEMS

None Scheduled.

ADJOURN THE CITY OF LA PALMA AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL AT 7:17 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

Minutes of the August 1, 2017, Regular Meeting of the City Council.

3. Approval of Register of Demands

Resolution No. 2017-50 approving the Register of Demands for August 15, 2017.

Council Member Kim made a motion to approve Consent Calendar Items 1 through 3.

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

AYES: Council Member Goedhart, Council Member Goodman, Council Member Kim, and Mayor Steggell

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo

REGULAR ITEMS

4. League of California Cities (LOCC) Voting Delegates and Resolutions -
 - a) Designate Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo as the City of La Palma's Voting Delegate at the League of California Cities' (LOCC) Annual Conference;

- b) Designate Council Member Goodman and City Manager Murray as the City of La Palma's Alternate Voting Delegate and Second Alternative Voting Delegate, respectively;
- c) Provide direction to the Voting Delegate and Alternate Voting Delegates for the LOCC Annual Conference as to the City's position on a Resolution of the League of California Cities calling upon the Governor and Legislature to enter into discussion with the League and other public safety stakeholders to identify and implement strategies that will reduce the unintended negative impacts of existing criminal law; and
- d) Provide direction to the Voting Delegate and Alternate Voting Delegates for the LOCC Annual Conference as to the City's position on a Resolution of the League of California Cities supporting legislation amending Government Code Section 38611 to clarify the definition of local control providing broad statutory authority for local officials to determine emergency service levels and direct emergency medical response within their jurisdictions.

City Manager Murray gave the Staff Report.

Council Comments and Questions:

Discussion ensued regarding support for the upcoming legislative action; that law enforcement agencies predicted increased crime as an outcome of the passing of Propositions 47 and 57; that the City would have to look to the State to put this back on the ballot to the voters for a vote; that the public should be educated on what these propositions did to crime levels; opposition to the increased crime statistics; that the City's website needs to have information about this issue; that Staff will work with Senator Newman and Assemblywoman Quirk-Silva on a resolution to combat the increase in criminal activity as a result of voters approving these propositions.

Public Comment:

No members of the public wished to speak.

Council Member Goedhart made a motion to a) designate Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo as the City of La Palma's Voting Delegate at the League of California Cities' (LOCC) Annual Conference; b) designate Council Member Goodman and City Manager Murray as the City of La Palma's Alternate Voting Delegate and Second Alternative Voting Delegate, respectively; c) direct Voting Delegate and Alternate Voting Delegates for the LOCC Annual Conference on the City's position approving a Resolution of the League of California Cities calling upon the Governor and Legislature to enter into

discussion with the League and other public safety stakeholders to identify and implement strategies that will reduce the unintended negative impacts of existing criminal law; and d) direct the Voting Delegate and Alternate Voting Delegates for the LOCC Annual Conference on the City's position to approve a Resolution of the League of California Cities supporting legislation amending Government Code Section 38611 to clarify the definition of local control providing broad statutory authority for local officials to determine emergency service levels and direct emergency medical response within their jurisdictions.

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

AYES: Council Member Goedhart, Council Member Goodman, Council Member Kim, and Mayor Steggell

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo

5. Sponsorship of the West Orange County Women's Conference and the Annual Legislation Action Committee of West Orange County Legislative Mixer

Approve the sponsorship of the West Orange County Women's.

City Manager Murray gave the Staff Report.

Council Comments and Questions:

Discussion ensued regarding the proposal sponsoring up to 30 students at \$15 each; that the high school selects the students chosen by the Principal based on grades and participation; whether this is a proper use of tax dollars, and what the benefit is for the City of La Palma; that there are different sessions for young girls about finance, interviewing skills, and selection of a woman of the year; that they have been doing this since 2013; that the West Orange County Women's Conference has been asking the City of La Palma for sponsorship participation; that the organizer has asked each City to sponsor 30 students from each of their representative cities; that although this is a nice thing to do, there is opposition to this being an appropriate use of tax payer money; and that if approved, it will be brought forward annually for approval as part of the budget process.

Mayor Steggell made a motion to approve the Sponsorship of the West Orange County Women's Conference.

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

AYES: Council Member Goodman, Council Member Kim,
and Mayor Steggell

NOES: Council Member Goedhart

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo

6. Cancellation of September 5, 2017, City Council and Successor Agency Meetings

City Manager Murray gave the Staff Report.

Council Member Kim made a motion to approve the Cancellation of September 5, 2017, City Council and Successor Agency Meetings.

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

AYES: Council Member Goedhart, Council Member
Goodman, Council Member Kim, and Mayor Steggell

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Hwangbo

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

Council Member Kim attended the annual Civic Expo and National Night Out event.

Council Member Goodman had nothing to report.

Council Member Goedhart attended the Civic Expo and National Night Out event.

Mayor Steggell attended the Civic Expo and National Night Out event and announced the placement of In God We Trust above our City Seal that was approved by the City Council.

CITY MANAGER REMARKS

City Manager Murray reported that the City closed escrow this morning on 5062 La Palma Avenue and the development application for the apartment complex has been withdrawn; announced an upcoming joint meeting of the City Council and Development and Circulation Committee on September 26 at the Community Center regarding the first discussion on the Zoning Code and action that needs to be taken; that there will be a series of community meetings to follow; that the Block Wall painting commences on Monday and there are currently two people opting out of the Block Wall Painting for this cycle; and announced that she will be out of State on vacation through August 27 and that Administrative Services Director Shelton will be the Acting City Manager during her absence.

CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

City Attorney Kuperberg had nothing to report and wished everyone a happy Labor Day holiday.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Steggell adjourned the Regular Meeting of the La Palma City Council at 7:35 p.m.

Michele Steggell
Mayor

Attest:

Kimberly Kenney
Deputy City Clerk