

**CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS
CITY COUNCIL/PLANNING AGENCY**

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday, April 23, 2024**

GENERAL BUSINESS - CONVENING AT 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Wheeler.

INVOCATION: Council Member Heft

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Pro Tempore Sweeney

ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Dave Wheeler	Mayor	Present	
Joshua Sweeney	Mayor Pro Tempore	Present	
Don Caskey	Council Member	Present	
Janine Heft	Council Member	Present	
Erica Pezold	Council Member	Present	

1. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1.1 Laguna Hills High School Student Liaison Report

The City Council received a report from Laguna Hills High School 2024 Spring Student Liaison Michael Holland.

2. SCHEDULE OF FUTURE EVENTS

2.1 Schedule of Future Events

City Clerk Lee announced the upcoming meetings and events.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments on non-agendized items.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar with Council Member Heft removing Item No. 4.7.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
SECONDER:	Joshua Sweeney, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Dave Wheeler, Mayor; Joshua Sweeney, Mayor Pro Tempore; Don Caskey, Council Member; Janine Heft, Council Member; Erica Pezold, Council Member

4.1 Waive Reading in Full of all Ordinances and Resolutions on the Agenda

Recommendation: That the City Council waive reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions on the agenda and declare that said titles which appear on the public agenda shall be determined to have been read by title and further reading waived.

4.2 Approval of Minutes for April 9, 2024, Regular Meeting

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the City Council Minutes for the April 9, 2024, Regular Meeting.

4.3 Ratification of April 23, 2024, Warrant Register

Recommendation: That the City Council ratify the accompanying Warrant Register for the period from March 29, 2024, to April 11, 2024, in the amount of \$1,058,779.36.

4.4 Treasurer's Investment Report for March 2024

Recommendation: That the City Council receive and file the Treasurer's Investment Report for the month of March 2024.

4.5 Proposed First Amendment to Civic Center Office Lease with NY&A, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, for 24031 El Toro Road, Suite 210, Laguna Hills, California

Recommendation: That the City Council: 1) Approve the first amendment to the lease agreement with NY&A, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, for 24031 El Toro Road, Suite 210, Laguna Hills, California; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to make minor modifications, as necessary, to the first amendment to the lease agreement and to execute the first amendment to the lease agreement.

4.6 Network Servers Upgrade Project

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the project and authorize the City Manager to purchase the network server equipment and software identified in the staff report.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**4.7 2024 Fourth of July Celebration Pre-Event Report and Fireworks Agreement**

Council Member Heft removed Item No. 4.7 from the Consent Calendar to request additional information.

Community Services Manager Gannon responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the City Council: 1) Receive and file the 2024 Fourth of July Celebration pre-event report; and 2) Approve the Fireworks Display Agreement between Fireworks and Stage FX America, LLC, and the City of Laguna Hills for 2024 and authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement.

A motion to move staff's recommendation and to direct staff to inquire with the vendor regarding extending the length of the fireworks display was moved by Council Member Heft, seconded by Mayor Wheeler.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
SECONDER:	Dave Wheeler, Mayor
AYES:	Dave Wheeler, Mayor, Joshua Sweeney, Mayor Pro Tempore, Don Caskey, Council Member, Janine Heft, Council Member, Erica Pezold, Council Member

5. PLANNING AGENCY

There were no separate Planning Agency Business Items for this meeting.

6. CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS**6.1 Solid Waste Collection and Recycling Rate Adjustments for Residential and Commercial Collection Services and Proposed One-Year Extension to Franchise Agreement with CR&R, Inc.**

Deputy City Manager Reynolds reviewed the information provided in the staff report and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

City Clerk Lee reported that the City received 4 valid written protests.

Mayor Wheeler opened the Public Hearing.

Mayor Wheeler closed the Public Hearing.

Mayor Wheeler re-opened the Public Hearing.

Chrystal Denning, CR&R Regional Vice President responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Mayor Wheeler closed the Public Hearing.

Recommendation: That the City Council:

- 1) Receive staff presentation and report, and receive City Clerk report on written property owner protests;
- 2) Ask questions of staff;
- 3) Open the public hearing;
- 4) Receive public testimony;
- 5) Close the public hearing;
- 6) If less than 4,916 written protests were received by the City, by motion, approve Amendment No. 3 to the Contract for the Collection, Transportation and Disposal of Municipal Solid Waste and For the Collection and Transportation of Recyclable Materials to Processors for Diversion between the City of Laguna Hills and CR&R Incorporated; and
- 7) Authorize the City Manager to sign Amendment No. 3 to Franchise Agreement with CR&R, Inc.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Joshua Sweeney, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER:	Erica Pezold, Council Member
AYES:	Dave Wheeler, Mayor; Joshua Sweeney, Mayor Pro Tempore; Don Caskey, Council Member; Janine Heft, Council Member; Erica Pezold, Council Member

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

7.1. City Manager

The City Manager provided no administrative reports.

7.2. Deputy City Manager/Community Services Director

7.2.1 Plein Air Painting Contest

Community Services Manager Gannon reviewed the information provided in the staff report and responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

City Manager Hildenbrand responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the City Council provide further direction on City support for the Laguna Terrace Beautification Team's Plein Air Painting Contest event.

A motion to increase the allocated amount for reimbursable expenses for the event from \$5,000 to \$6,000 was moved by Council Member Pezold, seconded by Council Member Caskey.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Erica Pezold, Council Member
SECONDER:	Don Caskey, Council Member
AYES:	Dave Wheeler, Mayor; Joshua Sweeney, Mayor Pro Tempore; Don Caskey, Council Member; Janine Heft, Council Member; Erica Pezold, Council Member

8. MATTERS AGENDIZED AND PRESENTED BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

There were no matters agendized by City Council Members.

9. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS

9.1 Committee Assignment Reports

The City Council received reports from City Council Members on the City Council Committee Assignments listed in the staff report.

10. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**Mayor Pro Tempore Sweeney**

Mayor Pro Tempore Sweeney provided a brief report reported on the Association of California Cities – Orange County (ACC-OC) 2024 Sacramento Advocacy Trip.

Mayor Pro Tempore Sweeney reported on the Laguna Hills District Office Open House for Senator Blakespear.

Mayor Pro Tempore Sweeney requested a discussion on forming an ad-hoc committee to develop a community garden within the City be agendized for a future meeting and received a second from Council Member Caskey.

Council Member Heft

Council Member Heft shared an email she received from a constituent regarding on-street parking.

Council Member Pezold

Council Member Pezold reiterated her desire to have a review of the Urban Village Specific Plan.

Council Member Pezold provided comments regarding water in the roadway on Paseo de Valencia between La Paz Road and Alicia Parkway.

City Manager Hildenbrand provided comments on the progress of the investigation of the water in the roadway.

Mayor Wheeler

Mayor Wheeler provided comments on grass growing in the streets.

Mayor Wheeler reported on a recent meeting he had with Senator Blakespear.

Mayor Wheeler reported on his progress with the review of City Council Policies and Administrative Orders.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council at this session, Mayor Wheeler declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Jennifer Lee, City Clerk

ATTEST:

Dave Wheeler, Mayor

Approved at meeting of May 14, 2024