

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

**SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday, April 21, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Mayor Heft.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: MAYOR PRO TEMPORE PEZOLD

ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Janine Heft	Mayor	Present	
Erica Pezold	Mayor Pro Tempore	Present	
Dore J. Gilbert, M.D.	Council Member	Remote	
Don Sedgwick	Council Member	Present	
Dave Wheeler	Council Member	Remote	

1. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

There were no presentations or proclamations.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following public comments were received via email and read into the record by Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Au-Yeung:

Denise Legters, a resident of Laguna Hills, expressed the need for affordable and supportive housing in Laguna Hills and her support of the use of the Laguna Hills Inn to aid the COVID-19 crisis.

Karen Nichols, a resident of Laguna Hills, expressed the need for affordable and supportive housing in Laguna Hills and her support of the use of the Laguna Hills Inn to aid the COVID-19 crisis.

Rona and Rob Henry, residents of Laguna Woods, expressed the need for affordable and supportive housing in Laguna Hills and their support of the use of the Laguna Hills Inn to aid the COVID-19 crisis.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Heft spoke regarding the City's Fourth of July event.

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dore J. Gilbert, M.D., Council Member
SECONDER:	Don Sedgwick, Council Member
AYES:	Janine Heft, Mayor; Erica Pezold, Mayor Pro Tempore; Dore J. Gilbert, M.D., Council Member; Don Sedgwick, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

3.1 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.

3.2 Ratification of April 21, 2020, Warrant Register

Recommendation: That the City Council ratify the accompanying Warrant Register for the period from February 28, 2020, to April 2, 2020, in the amount of \$2,232,214.98.

3.3 Progress Payment No. 1 for Water Quality Improvement Catch Basin Debris Gate Project, CIP No. 412H

Recommendation: That the City Council approve Progress Payment No. 1, in the net amount of \$153,223.60, to G2 Construction, Inc., for the Water Quality Improvement Catch Basin Debris Gate Project, CIP No. 412H.

3.4 Initiation of the 2020 Weed Abatement Program

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2020-04-21-1: "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laguna Hills, California, declaring weeds and rubbish on specified private property to be a public nuisance, commencing public proceedings, and setting a Public Hearing for May 12, 2020."

3.5 Award of the Citywide Weed Abatement Maintenance Services Agreement

Recommendation: That the City Council award the Citywide Weed Abatement Maintenance Services Agreement to Specialty Mowing Services, Inc., in the low bid amount of \$44,800.00, reject all other bids, and authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement.

3.6 El Toro Road Bus Stop Improvements - Schedule of Construction

Recommendation: That the City Council acknowledge the proposed revised construction schedule for the El Toro Road Bus Stop Improvements, OCTA Project Number 19-LHLL-STS-3931.

3.7 2019 General Plan Annual Progress Report

Recommendation: That the City Council: 1) Receive and file the report; and 2) Direct staff to forward the 2019 General Plan Annual Progress Report and Housing Element Annual Progress Report-Housing Implementation to the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

3.8 Submission of an Aerial Waste Waiver to the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board for Pollutant Discharges from the City's Fourth of July Fireworks Display and Adoption of a Categorical Exemption Determining that the Event is Exempt from Environmental Review Pursuant to Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15304(E) of the California Code of Regulations

Recommendation: That the City Council: 1) Direct staff to submit an aerial waste waiver to the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board for pollutant discharges from the City's Fourth of July fireworks display; and 2) Adopt a Categorical Exemption.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no items removed from the Consent Calendar.

4. PLANNING AGENCY

The City Council did not convene into a Planning Agency meeting.

5. CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no City Council public hearings.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

6.1. City Manager

6.1.1 City Council Review and Confirmation of the Necessity for Continuing the Local Emergency Related to the On-Going Threat of the Novel COVID-19 Virus, and Confirmation of the Director of Emergency Services/City Manager's Executive Orders Related Thereto

Recommendation: That the City Council: 1) Review the necessity for continuing the local emergency declared in response to the Novel COVID-19 virus; and 2) Confirm the Director of Emergency Services/City Manager's Executive Order related thereto.

City Manager White reviewed the information provided in the staff report and responded to Council requests for additional information.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Don Sedgwick, Council Member
SECONDER:	Dore J. Gilbert, M.D., Council Member
AYES:	Janine Heft, Mayor; Erica Pezold, Mayor Pro Tempore; Dore J. Gilbert, M.D., Council Member; Don Sedgwick, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

6.1.2 Resolution Designating the City Manager as an Authorized Agent of the City of Laguna Hills for Federal Emergency Management Agency Public Assistance Grants

Recommendation: That the City Council approve and adopt the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies designating the City Manager as an authorized agent to act on behalf of the City of Laguna Hills for the purpose of obtaining public assistance grants from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

City Manager White reviewed the information provided in the staff report.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dore J. Gilbert, M.D., Council Member
SECONDER:	Erica Pezold, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Janine Heft, Mayor; Erica Pezold, Mayor Pro Tempore; Dore J. Gilbert, M.D., Council Member, Don Sedgwick, Council Member, Dave Wheeler, Council Member

6.1.3 Recreational Facilities in City Parks

Recommendation: That the City Council receive and file the report.

City Manager White provided an oral report and responded to Council requests for additional information.

6.2. Assistant City Manager/Public Services Director

6.2.1 Award of Contract for Community Center HVAC and Roof Replacement Project, CIP No. 513-B

Recommendation: That the City Council award the contract for Community Center HVAC and Roof Replacement Project, CIP No. 513-B to West Gate Contractor, in the low bid amount of \$348,300.000, reject all other bids, and authorize the Mayor to sign the construction contract.

Assistant City Manager/Public Services Director Rosenfield acknowledged a Hot Envelope Memo issued for the item, reviewed the information provided in the staff report and responded to Council requests for additional information.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Don Sedgwick, Council Member
SECONDER:	Erica Pezold, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Janine Heft, Mayor, Erica Pezold, Mayor Pro Tempore, Dore J. Gilbert, Council Member, Don Sedgwick, Council Member, Dave Wheeler, Council Member

7. MATTERS AGENDIZED AND PRESENTED BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

There were no matters agendized and presented by City Council Members.

8. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**Mayor Heft**

Mayor Heft expressed her happiness to see the traffic light go up at Moulton Parkway and Alicia Parkway.

Mayor Heft reported that the former Commander of the 3/5 Dark Horse Battalion, LtCol Geoffry M. Hollopeter passed away on April 3, 2020.

9. CLOSED SESSION**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEM****A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9
Name of Case: City of Laguna Hills, BFE Asset Partners, LLC, GJC Properties 8 LP, Sukin & Rosenfeld, LLC, and Erik M. Block vs. Elite Hospitality, Inc., County of Orange, Board of Supervisors of the County of Orange, Orange County Healthcare Agency, et al.; Orange County Superior Court; Case No. 30-2020-01139345-CU-MC-CJC.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM

Karen Liftin, a resident of Laguna Hills, expressed her concerns regarding the use of the Laguna Hills Inn to aid the COVID-19 crisis.

Cynthia Cantrelle, a resident of Mission Viejo, expressed her concerns regarding the use of the Laguna Hills Inn to aid the COVID-19 crisis.

Robin Jochims, a resident of Laguna Hills, expressed her concerns regarding the use of the Laguna Hills Inn to aid the COVID-19 crisis.

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER**CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION**

The City Council convened into Closed Session to consider the matter listed above.

RECONVENE TO CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

The City Council reconvened the City Council Meeting at 8:16 p.m. Mayor Heft, Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold and Council Member Sedgwick were present. Council Members Gilbert and Wheeler were present via teleconference.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (1 potential case).

City Attorney Simonian stated that the City Council convened into closed session this evening pursuant to the authorities listed on the Agenda. There was no reportable action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council at this session, Mayor Heft declared the meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Melissa Au-Yeung, City Clerk

ATTEST:

Janine Heft, Mayor

Approved at meeting of May 12, 2020