

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

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday, January 9, 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: Mayor Pro Tempore Sweeney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Caskey

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 2023 Fall Student Liaison Evan Figueroa.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments on non-agendized items.

2. SCHEDULE OF FUTURE EVENTS

2.1 Schedule of Future Events

Deputy City Clerk McDonald announced the upcoming meetings and events.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar with Council Member Pezold removing Item No. 4.4.

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 December 12, 2023, Regular Meeting

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the City Council/Planning Agency Minutes for the December 12, 2023, Regular Meeting.

4.3 Ratification of January 9, 2024, Warrant Register

Recommendation: That the City Council ratify the accompanying Warrant Register for the period from December 1, 2023, to December 21, 2023, in the amount of \$1,608,105.98.

4.5 Agreement with the County of Orange District Attorney's Office for Prosecution Services

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Agreement with the County of Orange for Prosecution Services and authorize the Mayor and/or Mayor Pro Tempore to execute the Agreement.

4.6 Direction Regarding Vacancy on Traffic Commission

Recommendation: That the City Council direct staff to proceed with the appointment process to fill the vacancy on the Traffic Commission, per Government Code Section 54974, and Laguna Hills Municipal Code Section 2-28.080.

4.7 Resolution in Support of Funding Projects in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2024-01-09-1: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, WHICH CERTIFIES THAT THE CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS HAS THE RESOURCES TO FUND THE PROJECTS IN THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS 2024/2025 - 2029/2030 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND AFFIRMS ITS COMMITMENT TO IMPLEMENT ALL PROJECTS IN THE PROGRAM."

4.8 Letters of Opposition to Assembly Constitutional Amendments 1 and 13, and a Resolution in Support of the Taxpayer Protection and Accountability Act.

Recommendation: That the City Council: 1) Approve the draft letter of opposition to Assembly Constitutional Amendment 1 (Aguiar-Curry); 2) Approve the draft letter of opposition to Assembly Constitutional Amendment 13 (Ward); and 3) Adopt Resolution No. 2024-01-09-2: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE TAXPAYER PROTECTION AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT."

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**4.4 Treasurer's Investment Report for November 2023**

Council Member Pezold removed Item No. 4.4 from the Consent Calendar to provide comments on the item.

Recommendation: That the City Council receive and file the Treasurer's Investment Report for the month of November 2023.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Erica Pezold, 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

5. PLANNING AGENCY

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

6. CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no City Council Public Hearings.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**7.1. City Manager**

The City Manager provide no administrative reports.

7.2. City Clerk**7.2.1 City Council Representatives to Other Committees/Agencies**

Recommendation: That the City Council take the following actions:

- 1) Review the City of Laguna Hills City Council Representatives to Other Committees/Agencies List, provide directions to staff regarding any necessary changes for appointments to the list, and by motion, approve the City Council Representatives to Other Committees/Agencies List, as revised by the City Council; and
- 2) If any changes are desired to the Representative to the Orange County Fire Authority's Board of Directors, adopt a resolution entitled: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS, CALIFORNIA DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING ITS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS;" and
- 3) Approve and direct the City Clerk to prepare and post an updated FPPC Disclosure Form 806 to reflect all paid city representative appointments to outside agency boards, committees, and/or commissions in accordance with state law.

A motion to reaffirm the current appointments with the exception of the Events, Communication, and Beautification Committee and the Time Capsule Ad Hoc Committee was made by Mayor Wheeler, seconded by Council Member Heft.

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

A motion to dissolve the Time Capsule Ad Hoc Committee was made by Mayor Wheeler, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Sweeney.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dave Wheeler, Mayor
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

A motion to reaffirm the current appointments of the Events, Communication, and Beautification Committee was made by Mayor Wheeler, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Sweeney.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dave Wheeler, Mayor
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

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**

There were no reports provided by City Council Members on the City Council Committee Assignments.

10. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no City Council Member Comments.

CLOSED SESSION**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEM(S)****A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) and paragraph (1) of subdivision (e) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (1 potential case).

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM(S)

There were no public comments on the closed session items.

ADJOURN TO CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM OR CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER**CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION**

The City Council convened into closed session to consider the matter(s) listed above.

RECONVENE TO CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

The City Council reconvened the City Council Meeting at 9:32 pm. All Council Members were present in Chamber with the exception of Council Member Caskey.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT**A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) and paragraph (1) of subdivision (e) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (1 potential case).

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council at this session, Mayor Wheeler declared the meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Jennifer Lee, City Clerk

ATTEST:

Dave Wheeler, Mayor

Approved at meeting of January 23, 2024