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## City of Laguna Hills City Council / Planning Agency

Regular Meeting Agenda  
Tuesday, April 22, 2025 - 6:00 PM  
(Closed Session at 5:00 p.m. when scheduled)

City Council Chamber  
24035 El Toro Road  
Laguna Hills, CA 92653

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## **General Business Convening at 6:00 PM**

### **Call to Order**

Resolution No. 96-04-09-1 established rules of decorum for public meetings held by the City of Laguna Hills. Resolution No. 96-04-09-1 is available on the table at the back of the City Council Chamber.

### **Invocation**

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Council Member Wheeler

### **Roll Call of City Council Members**

#### **1. Presentations and Proclamations**

##### **1.1 Laguna Hills High School Student Liaison Report**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council receive a report from Laguna Hills High School Student Liaison Kyden Brown.

##### **1.2 Certificate of Recognition for Laguna Hills High School Student Liaison Kyden Brown**

**Recommendation:** That Mayor Sweeney present a Certificate of Recognition to Kyden Brown recognizing their service as a Laguna Hills High School Student Liaison.

##### **1.3 Presentation from Southern California Gas Company**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council receive a presentation from Juan Gonzalez, Public Affairs Manager, Southern California Gas Company.

#### **2. Schedule of Future Events**

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**Recommendation:** That the Deputy City Clerk announce the upcoming meetings and events.

#### **3. Public Comments**

This is the time to address the City Council on any matter not listed on this Agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. Public Comments are limited to three minutes per person as determined by the Mayor and a total time limit of thirty minutes.

#### **4. Consent Calendar**

All matters listed under “CONSENT CALENDAR” are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion approving the recommendation listed on the Agenda. There will be no separate discussion unless Members of the City Council or City staff request specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar.

##### **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 8, 2025, 330pm Special Meeting**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the City Council Minutes for the April 8, 2025, 330pm Special Meeting.

##### **4.3 Approval of Minutes for April 8, 2025, 4pm Special Meeting**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the City Council Minutes for the April 8, 2025, 4pm Special Meeting.

##### **4.4 Approval of Minutes for April 8, 2025, Regular Meeting**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the City Council Minutes for the April 8, 2025, Regular Meeting.

##### **4.5 Ratification of April 22, 2025 Warrant Register**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council ratify the accompanying Warrant Register for the period from March 28, 2025, to April 10, 2025, in the amount of \$2,374,782.69.

##### **4.6 Treasurer's Investment Report for March 2025**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council receive and file the Treasurer's Investment Report for the month of March 2025.

##### **4.7 Development Application Status Report**

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

##### **4.8 Informal Bidding Ordinance Use Quarterly Report**

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

##### **4.9 Proposed Lease Agreement with Serenity Escrow, Inc., a California corporation, for 24031 El Toro Road, Suite 300, Laguna Hills, California**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council: 1) Approve the lease agreement with Serenity Escrow, Inc., a California corporation, for 24031 El Toro Road, Suite 300, Laguna Hills, California; 2) Authorize the City Manager to make minor modifications to and negotiate the final terms of the lease agreement, as necessary; and 3) Authorize the City Manager to execute the lease agreement.

#### **4.10 Purchase of Two Alternative Fuel Vehicles for Use at City Hall and for the Community Services Department Pursuant to Section 3-08.130 of the Laguna Hills Municipal Code**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council: 1) Approve the purchase of two (2) alternative fuel vehicles pursuant to LHMC Sections 3-08.130 from the list of approved vehicles; 2) Authorize the appropriation of funds from the City's AB 2766 Subvention Fund for the purchase of the approved vehicles; and 3) Authorize the City Manager to execute purchase agreements from dealers in order to procure the vehicles from the list of approved vehicles.

#### **4.11 Side Street Stop Sign Installation on Sunburst Avenue at Largo Drive**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council: 1) Find and determine that the proposed stop control intersection is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the CEQA Guidelines, Cal. Code of Regs, Title 14, Chapter 3 (the operation and maintenance of existing highways and streets is categorically exempt); and 2) Adopt a Resolution entitled: "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laguna Hills, California, Designating the Intersection of Sunburst Avenue and Largo Drive as a Stop Intersection and Authorizing the Installation of a One-Way Side Street Stop Sign on Sunburst Avenue at Largo Drive."

#### **4.12 Rescindment of the Approval and Award of Work Order Agreement with Western Exterminator Company for Termite Fumigation at the Laguna Hills Civic Center**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council rescind the approval and award of the Work Order Agreement with Western Exterminator Company for termite fumigation at the Laguna Hills Civic Center, awarded at the February 25, 2025, regular meeting.

#### **4.13 Recommendation to Oppose Unless Amended: SB 16 (Blakespear) Homeless Housing Reporting Requirements**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council adopt an "Oppose Unless Amended" position on SB 16 (Blakespear) and authorize the Mayor to transmit a letter to the appropriate legislative offices conveying the City's position.

#### **4.14 2025 Fourth of July Celebration Pre-Event Report and Fireworks Agreement**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council 1) Receive and file the 2025 Fourth of July Celebration pre-event report; and 2) Approve the Fireworks Display Agreement between Garden State Fireworks ("GSF") and the City of Laguna Hills for 2025 and authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement.

#### **4.15 2025 Memorial Day Nonprofit Beer Garden Partner**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the Parentis Foundation as the 2025 Memorial Day Nonprofit Beer Garden Partner.

#### **4.16 Opposition to AB 647 (Gonzalez) – Housing Development Approvals: Residential Units**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council adopt a position of opposition to AB 647 (Gonzalez) and direct staff to transmit a letter of opposition to the bill author, legislative committees, and relevant advocacy organizations.

### **Items Removed from the Consent Calendar**

#### **5. Planning Agency**

The Planning Agency is called to order only if there are items scheduled to be presented to the Planning Agency.

#### **6. City Council Public Hearings**

#### **7. Administrative Reports**

##### **7.1 City Manager**

##### **7.1.1 Request by Merlone Geier Partners for Initiation of Proposed Major Project Modifications to the Village at Laguna Hills Development Agreement and Formation of Ad Hoc Committee**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

- 1) Receive a presentation by Merlone Geier Partners regarding their request for initiation of Major Project Modifications to the Development Agreement for the Village at Laguna Hills Mixed-Use Project;
- 2) Review and provide direction to staff on whether to engage in negotiations with MGP Fund X Laguna Hills, LLC ("MGP") regarding the proposed Major Project Modifications to the Development Agreement for the Village at Laguna Hills Mixed-Use Project; and

- 3) Consider the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee comprised solely of two members of the City Council (less than a quorum) to help facilitate the requested negotiations and to make recommendations to the City Council.

#### **7.1.2 License Agreement for Suite 255 – Termination or Shared Use Policy**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council provide direction to staff regarding either of the following:

- 1) Terminating the License Agreement with the Chamber of Commerce and proceeding with converting Suite 255 into City Council office space; or
- 2) Adopting a proposed shared use policy that allows both the City Council and the Chamber to utilize Suite 255 on designated days.

### **8. Matters Agendized and Presented by City Council Members**

### **9. City Council Member Committee Reports**

#### **9.1 Committee Assignment Report**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council receive reports from City Council Members on the City Council Committee Assignments listed in the staff report.

### **10. City Council Member Comments**

#### **Adjournment**

The next Regular Meeting of the City Council/Planning Agency will be May 13, 2025, at 6:00p.m., in the City Council Chamber, located at 24035 El Toro Road, Laguna Hills, California.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, JENNIFER LEE, City Clerk of the City of Laguna Hills, do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Agenda was posted at Laguna Hills City Hall, Laguna Hills Community Center, and the Courtyard at La Paz Center by April 17, 2025, at 5:00p.m.

  
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*Jennifer Lee, CMC, City Clerk*

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