

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

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday, September 22, 2020**

GENERAL BUSINESS - CONVENING AT 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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	Remote	
Dave Wheeler	Council Member	Remote	

1. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1.1 Laguna Hills High School Student Liaison

Recommendation: The City Council received an oral report from Laguna Hills High School Student Liaison Sofia Kachani.

1.2 Fire Prevention Week, October 4, 2020, through October 10, 2020

Recommendation: The City Council issued a Proclamation declaring October 4, 2020, through October 10, 2020, as "Fire Prevention Week" and Mayor Heft presented the Proclamation to Michael Contreras, Division Chief, Orange County Fire Authority.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following individuals submitted electronic public comments that were received, forwarded to the Council prior to the meeting, and announced into the record by Deputy City Clerk Lee:

Wei Huang, Alan Song, Ashley Owen, Teame Ozeqbe, Jenny Yao, and Sue Zhao expressed their opposition of Proposition 16 that is on the November 3, 2020, ballot.

The following individual addressed the City Council on non-agendized items:

Robin Jochims, a resident of Laguna Hills and leadership member of F.L.A.G., requested an update on the Village at Laguna Hills development project and provided the Council with copies of the F.L.A.G.'s updated The Village at Laguna Hills FAQs handout.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar.

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

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 Approval of Minutes for September 8, 2020, Regular Meeting

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Minutes for the September 8, 2020, Regular Meeting.

3.3 Ratification of September 22, 2020, Warrant Register

Recommendation: That the City Council ratify the accompanying Warrant Register for the period from August 28, 2020, to September 10, 2020, in the amount of \$1,095,868.27.

3.4 Progress Payment No. 2, for Community Center HVAC and Roof Replacement Project, CIP 513-B

Recommendation: That the City Council approve Progress Payment No. 2, in the net amount of \$115,947.50, to West Gate Contractor, for Community Center HVAC and Roof Replacement Project, CIP No. 513-B.

3.5 Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Kosmont & Associates, Inc.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Kosmont & Associates, Inc., and authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement.

3.6 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 and confirm 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 orders related thereto.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no items removed from the Consent Calendar.

4. PLANNING AGENCY

Mayor Heft recessed the City Council Meeting, and acting in capacity as Chair, called the Regular Meeting of the Planning Agency of the City of Laguna Hills, California, to order at 7:17 p.m.

4.1. ROLL CALL OF PLANNING AGENCY MEMBERS

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Janine Heft	Chair	Present	
Erica Pezold	Vice Chair	Present	
Dore J. Gilbert, M.D.	Agency Member	Remote	
Don Sedgwick	Agency Member	Remote	
Dave Wheeler	Agency Member	Remote	

4.2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Planning Agency public comments.

4.3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.3.1 Approval of Minutes for September 8, 2020, Regular Meeting

Recommendation: That the Planning Agency approve the Minutes for the September 8, 2020, Regular Meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dore J. Gilbert, M.D., Agency Member
SECONDER:	Don Sedgwick, Agency Member
AYES:	Janine Heft, Chair; Erica Pezold, Vice Chair; Dore J. Gilbert, M.D., Agency Member; Don Sedgwick, Agency Member; Dave Wheeler, Agency Member

4.4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

There were no Planning Agency administrative reports.

4.5. PLANNING AGENCY PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Planning Agency public hearings.

PLANNING AGENCY ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Heft reconvened the City Council Meeting at 7:19 p.m. Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold and Mayor Heft were present. Council Member Gilbert, Council Member Sedgwick, and Council Member Wheeler were present via teleconference.

5. CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no City Council public hearings.

Mayor Heft requested and received consensus to take Item 7.3.1 out of order on the Agenda.

7.3. Council Member Wheeler

7.3.1 Usage of CARES Money for the Benefit of the Citizens, Local Businesses and the City

Council Member Wheeler provided an introduction of the item.

Michael Daniel, Regional Director for Orange County/Inland Empire SBDC Network, provided a Power Point Presentation on SBDC California's COVID-19 Response for Small Businesses and responded to Council requests for additional information.

City Manager White reviewed information provided as a Hot Envelope Memo and responded to Council requests for additional information.

Chief of Police Services Stiverson responded to Council requests for additional information.

Recommendation: Council Member Wheeler recommends that the City Council shall set the priority and direct the allocation of the CARES funds.

A motion to approve the CARES funding list of expenditures included in the Hot Envelope Memo on this item was made and subsequently withdrawn by Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold.

A motion was made to program the available COVID-19 money as follows: 50% of the \$705,000 toward small business grants, 10% for charities, defined as non-profits, through the Cal-State Fullerton administration program; and 40% of the \$705,000 goes towards monies already spent, City Council Chamber Zoom upgrades, and the remainder at staff's discretion was made by Council Member Wheeler, seconded by Mayor Heft.

RESULT:	FAILED [2 TO 3]
MOVER:	Dave Wheeler, Council Member
SECONDER:	Janine Heft, Mayor
AYES:	Janine Heft, Mayor; Dave Wheeler, Council Member
NAYS:	Erica Pezold, Mayor Pro Tempore; Dore J. Gilbert, M.D., Council Member; Don Sedgwick, Council Member

A motion was made to approve the CARES funding list of expenditures included in the Hot Envelope Memo on this item by Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold, seconded by Council Member Gilbert.

RESULT:	APPROVED [3 TO 2]
MOVER:	Erica Pezold, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER:	Dore J. Gilbert, M.D., Council Member
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor Pro Tempore; Dore J. Gilbert, M.D., Council Member; Don Sedgwick, Council Member
NAYS:	Janine Heft, Mayor; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

6.1. City Manager

The City Manager gave no administrative reports.

6.2. Community Development Director

6.2.1 Appeal of the City's RHNA for the Sixth Cycle Housing Element

Community Development Director Chantarangsu reviewed the information provided in the staff report, reviewed the information provided as a Hot Envelope Memo, and responded to council requests for additional information.

Robin Jochims, a resident of Laguna Hills and leadership member of F.L.A.G., spoke in favor of appealing the City's RHNA numbers.

Recommendation: That the City Council take no action concerning an appeal of the City's Draft Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) for the Sixth Cycle Housing Element.

A motion was made to appeal the City's RHNA numbers by Mayor Heft, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, Mayor
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

7. MATTERS AGENDIZED AND PRESENTED BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

7.1. Mayor Heft

7.1.1 Proposition 15

Mayor Heft provided brief remarks regarding the item.

Recommendation: Mayor Heft recommends that the City Council direct staff to bring back a Resolution opposing Proposition 15.

A motion was made to oppose Proposition 15 and consider adopting a Resolution in opposition by Mayor Heft, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, Mayor
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

7.2. Mayor Pro Tempore

7.2.1 LH Hillside Sign

Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold provided information regarding the item.

Katie Green, a resident of Laguna Hills and member of American Heritage Girls spoke regarding her interest in restoring the LH Hillside Sign.

Deputy City Manager/Community Services Director Reynolds responded to council requests for additional information.

Recommendation: Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold recommends that the City Council direct staff to investigate options to improve, and renovate and maintain the LH Hillside Sign.

A motion was made to move the item's recommendation by Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold, seconded by Council Member Gilbert.

A substitute motion was made to direct staff to work with Katie Green to see if her proposal is feasible and if so, to bring it back to the Council for approval by Mayor Heft, seconded by Council Member Wheeler. The substitute motion was subsequently withdrawn by Mayor Heft and Council Member Wheeler and as a result no action was taken on this motion.

Mayor Heft called for a vote on the original motion as moved by Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold, seconded by Council Member Wheeler.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Erica Pezold, Mayor Pro Tempore
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

8. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold**

Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold thanked the Sheriff's Department and City Staff for all of the extra time and effort that they have been putting in during this time of COVID to make sure the City is functioning and safe.

Council Member Gilbert

Council Member Gilbert seconded Mayor Pro Tempore Pezold's comments.

Council Member Wheeler

Council Member Wheeler expressed his concern that the teleconference information was not available on the City's website.

City Attorney Simonian responded to Council Member Wheeler indicating that the established COVID-19 response protocol does not include members of the public accessing the meeting telephonically and the instructions for public participation in the meeting are printed on the face of the Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council at this session, Mayor Heft declared the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Jennifer Lee, Deputy City Clerk

ATTEST:

Janine Heft, Mayor

Approved at meeting of October 13, 2020