

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

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday, July 13, 2021**

GENERAL BUSINESS - CONVENING AT 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION: Mayor Pro Tempore Sedgwick

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Hunt

ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Erica Pezold	Mayor	Present	
Don Sedgwick	Mayor Pro Tempore	Present	
Janine Heft	Council Member	Present	
Bill Hunt	Council Member	Present	
Dave Wheeler	Council Member	Present	

1. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1.1 Presentation by Mercy House on Homeless Outreach

Recommendation: The City Council received an update from Timothy Huynh on Mercy House's homeless outreach efforts in the City of Laguna Hills.

2. SCHEDULE OF FUTURE EVENTS

2.1 Schedule of Future Events

Recommendation: The Interim City Manager announced the upcoming City events for the months of July and August 2021.

The following individual(s) addressed the City Council on this item:

Robin Jochims, a resident of Laguna Hills, spoke regarding the City's business outreach program.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

Neel Patel, a resident of Laguna Hills, spoke regarding the City's online presence, the master sign program for the redevelopment of the mall, maintenance of wayfinding signs, possibility of an overnight parking ordinance, and maintenance of trail underpasses.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar with Council Member Wheeler removing Item No. 4.6, Item No. 4.9, and Item No. 4.13; Council Member Heft removing Item No. 4.10, Item No. 4.11, Item No. 4.17 and Item No. 4.18; and Mayor Pezold removing Item No. 4.8 and Item No. 4.15.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
SECONDER:	Council Member; Bill Hunt
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, 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 June 22, 2021, Regular Meeting

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Minutes for the June 22, 2021, Regular Meeting.

4.3 Approval of Minutes for June 24, 2021, Special Meeting

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Minutes for the June 24, 2021, Special Meeting.

4.4 Approval of Minutes for June 29, 2021, Special Meeting

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Minutes for the June 29, 2021, Special Meeting.

4.5 Ratification of July 13, 2021, Warrant Register

Recommendation: That the City Council ratify the accompanying Warrant Register for the period from June 16, 2021, to July 1, 2021, in the amount of \$599,348.34.

4.7 Adoption of Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Civic Center Budget

Recommendation: That the City Council approve and adopt the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Civic Center Budget.

4.12 Award of Citywide General Street Maintenance Services Agreement

Recommendation: That the City Council award the Citywide General Street Maintenance Services Agreement to Charles Abbott Associates, Inc., in the low annual bid amount of \$681,324.20, reject all other bids, and authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement.

4.14 Award of Professional Services Agreements for On-Call Civil Engineering, Building and Safety, Civil Plan Check, and Building Services

Recommendation: That the City Council award the Professional Services Agreements for On-Call Civil Engineering, Building and Safety, Civil Plan Check, and Building Services to Charles Abbott Associates, Inc., and HR Green Pacific, Inc., and authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreements.

4.16 Cooperative Agreement C-1-3240 Between the Orange County Transportation Authority and City of Laguna Hills for Senior Mobility Program for the City of Laguna Hills Senior Dial-A-Taxi Program

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-3240 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and City of Laguna Hills for Senior Mobility Program and authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**4.6 City Council Review and Confirm the Necessity for Continuing the Local Emergency Related to the On-Going Threat of the Novel COVID-19 Virus**

Council Member Wheeler removed Item No. 4.6 from the Consent Calendar to request additional information.

The following individual(s) addressed the City Council on this item:

Scott Cebula, owner of GameCraft Brewery, spoke in favor of continuing the local emergency to assist businesses in the City.

City Attorney Simonian responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the City Council review and confirm the necessity for continuing the local emergency declared in response to the Novel COVID-19 virus.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dave Wheeler, Council Member
SECONDER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

4.8 Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Laguna Hills and the Laguna Hills City Employees Association

Mayor Pezold removed Item No. 4.8 from the Consent Calendar to request additional information.

Motion to table the item was made by Mayor Pezold and no second was made. As a result, no action was taken on this motion.

City Attorney Simonian responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Interim City Manager Rosenfield responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Au-Yeung responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the City Council: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 2021-07-13-1: "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laguna Hills, California, adopting a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Laguna Hills and the Laguna Hills City Employees Association (LHCEA), and superseding all previous LHCEA Memorandums of Understanding effective July 1, 2021"; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding.

RESULT:	APPROVED [4 TO 0]
MOVER:	Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
AYES:	Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member
ABSTAIN:	Erica Pezold, Mayor

4.9 Amendments to the ERMAC Joint Powers Agreement and Bylaws

Council Member Wheeler removed Item No. 4.9 from the Consent Calendar to request additional information.

Interim City Manager Rosenfield responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve Amendments to the Exclusive Risk Management Authority of California Joint Powers Agreement and Bylaws.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dave Wheeler, Council Member
SECONDER:	Bill Hunt, Council Member
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

4.10 Rejection of Bid Proposals for Citywide Pavement Rehabilitation, CIP No. 101-L & Ridge Route Drive Pavement Resurfacing, CIP No. 188

Council Member Heft removed Item No. 4.10 from the Consent Calendar to request additional information.

The following individual(s) addressed the City Council on this item:

Lance Allen, Manager at Roy Allen Slurry Seal, Inc., spoke regarding the bid process.

City Attorney Simonian responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Interim City Manager Rosenfield responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the City Council reject all Bid Proposals for Citywide Pavement Rehabilitation, CIP No. 101-L & Ridge Route Drive Pavement Resurfacing, CIP No. 188 and direct Staff to reissue the Notice Inviting Bids and Specifications.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Hunt, Council Member
SECONDER:	Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

4.11 Award of Contract for Laguna Hills Civic Center Tenant & Site Improvements, Suite 160

Council Member Heft removed Item No. 4.11 from the Consent Calendar to provide comments in favor of the Item.

Recommendation: That the City Council award the contract for Laguna Hills Civic Center Tenant & Site Improvements, Suite 160, to SD Design Construction Corporation, in the low bid amount of \$231,300, reject the proposal from A2Z Construct, Inc., as non-responsive, reject all other bids, and authorize the Mayor to sign the construction contract.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
SECONDER:	Bill Hunt, Council Member
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

4.13 Award of Citywide Tree Maintenance Services Agreement

Council Member Wheeler removed Item No. 4.13 from the Consent Calendar to request additional information.

Interim City Manager Rosenfield responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the City Council award the Citywide Tree Maintenance Services Agreement to West Coast Arborists, Inc., in the low bid amount of \$246,505.00, reject all other bids, and authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

4.15 Extension of Interim Regulations for Temporary Outdoor Dining

Mayor Pezold removed Item No. 4.15 from the Consent Calendar to provide comments suggesting a different approach to the matter.

The following individual(s) addressed the Council Member on this item:

Scott Cebula, owner of GameCraft Brewery, spoke in favor of the extension of interim regulations for temporary outdoor dining.

Interim City Manager Rosenfield responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2021-07-13-2: “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laguna Hills, California, extending the temporary outdoor dining permit program and waiver of application and appeal fees in order to further assist local restaurants in recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic.”

Motion to move Staff’s recommendation with modification to Section 1.C. Appeal, to read: “Any decision made by the Community Development Director, pursuant to the authority granted the Community Development Director under this Resolution, may be appealed by the applicant/permittee to the City Council by notifying the City Clerk of the appeal within three (3) calendar days of the decision. The City Council shall have authority to sustain, reverse, or modify the decision of the Community Development Director. The City Council's decision shall be final.”

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

4.17 Award of Senior Transportation Mobility Services Agreement to California Yellow Cab for Transportation Services for the City of Laguna Hills' Senior Dial-A-Taxi Program

Council Member Heft removed Item No. 4.17 from the Consent Calendar to request additional information.

Interim City Manager Rosenfield responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Senior Transportation Mobility Services Agreement with Cabco Yellow, Inc., dba California Yellow Cab and authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
SECONDER:	Erica Pezold, Mayor
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

4.18 2021 Holiday Lighting and Decorations Agreement with the Christmas Kings

Council Member Heft removed Item No. 4.18 from the Consent Calendar to request additional information.

Community Services Superintendent Meehan responded to Council Member requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the City Council waive competitive formal bidding requirements and procedures set forth in the City of Laguna Hills Municipal Code (LHMC) Section 3-08.90 with regard to approval of the proposed holiday lighting agreement with The Christmas Kings, as it is hereby found and determined, pursuant to LHMC Section 3-08.110, that compliance is not in the City's best

interest at this time based on the information presented herein by City Staff, approve the Lighting Agreement, and authorize the Interim City Manager to execute the Lighting Agreement.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
SECONDER:	Erica Pezold, Mayor
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

5. PLANNING AGENCY

Mayor Pezold 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 9:38 p.m.

5.1. ROLL CALL OF PLANNING AGENCY MEMBERS

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Erica Pezold	Chair	Present	
Don Sedgwick	Vice Chair	Present	
Janine Heft	Agency Member	Present	
Bill Hunt	Agency Member	Present	
Dave Wheeler	Agency Member	Present	

5.2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Planning Agency public comments on non-agendized items.

5.3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5.3.1 Approval of Minutes for June 22, 2021, Regular Meeting

Recommendation: That the Planning Agency approve the Minutes for the June 22, 2021, Regular Meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Don Sedgwick, Vice Chair
SECONDER:	Bill Hunt, Agency Member

AYES:	Erica Pezold, Chair; Don Sedgwick, Vice Chair; Janine Heft, Agency Member; Bill Hunt, Agency Member; Dave Wheeler, Agency Member
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5.4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

There were no Planning Agency administrative reports.

5.5. PLANNING AGENCY PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Planning Agency public hearings.

PLANNING AGENCY ADJOURNMENT

Chair Pezold adjourned the Planning Agency Meeting at 9:43 p.m. All Council Members were present in chamber.

6. CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS

6.1 Confirmation of 2021 Weed Abatement Cost Report

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

Mayor Pezold opened the public hearing.

There were no public comments on the public hearing item.

Mayor Pezold closed the public hearing.

Recommendation: That the City Council conduct a public hearing regarding the 2021 Weed Abatement Cost Report and adopt Resolution No. 2021-07-13-3 "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laguna Hills, California, confirming the 2021 Weed Abatement Cost Report and providing for the collection of weed abatement assessments on the next regular tax bill levied against the subject parcel for municipal purposes."

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
SECONDER:	Dave Wheeler, Council Member
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

7.1. City Manager

7.1.1 Employment Classifications, Salary Ranges, and Benefits for Management, Confidential, and Part-Time Classes of Employment with the City

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

Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Au-Yeung reviewed the information provided in the staff report, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council requests for additional information.

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2021-07-13-4: "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laguna Hills, California, regarding employment and establishing salary ranges and benefits for Management, Confidential, and Part-time classes of employment with the City and rescinding Resolution No. 2018-06-26-2."

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
SECONDER:	Bill Hunt, Council Member
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

Mayor Pezold recessed the meeting at 9:59 p.m.

Mayor Pezold reconvened the meeting at 10:11 p.m.

7.1.2 Public Safety Update

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

The following individual(s) addressed the City Council on this item:

Robin Jochims, a resident of Laguna Hills, spoke regarding a crime free rental housing ordinance.

Neel Patel, a resident of Laguna Hills, spoke regarding a crime free rental housing ordinance.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Actions underway to improve public safety at and around the Laguna Hills Community Center and Sports Complex.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Bill Hunt, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member

8. MATTERS AGENDIZED AND PRESENTED BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

9. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no City Council Member committee reports.

10. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tempore Sedgwick

Mayor Pro Tempore Sedgwick thanked Staff for the City's 4th of July event.

Council Member Wheeler

Council Member Wheeler requested a list of the remaining executive orders and clarification regarding the selection of a qualified development negotiator.

Council Member Heft

Council Member Heft supported Mayor Pro Tempore Sedgwick's comments on the City's 4th of July event.

Council Member Heft reported that an Association of California Cities-Orange County Board of Directors Strategy Planning Workshop is scheduled for Thursday, July 15, 2021.

Mayor Pezold

Mayor Pezold described positive responses she received regarding the City's 4th of July event and emphasized the positive response regarding the Sheriff's Department's participation and a job well done by Staff.

Mayor Pezold indicated that a discussion regarding Orange County Council of Governments entering into litigation with the CA Department of Housing & Development and a discussion on social media presence are important to have agendaized for a future meeting.

Mayor Pezold stated some things have changed and suggested a need for a meeting be scheduled to have a discussion regarding the Interim City Manager and received a second from Council Member Hunt.

Mayor Pezold requested that a discussion regarding establishment of a local control resolution be agendaized for a future meeting and received a second from Council Member Heft.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council at this session, Mayor Pezold declared the meeting adjourned at 11:34 p.m.

Melissa Au-Yeung, City Clerk

ATTEST:

Erica Pezold, Mayor

Approved at meeting of August 24, 2021