

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

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday, June 8, 2021**

CLOSED SESSION - CONVENING AT 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:24 p.m. by Mayor Pezold.

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	

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEM(S)

A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6(a)

City Designated Representatives: Kenneth H. Rosenfield, Interim City Manager
Melissa Au-Yeung, Deputy City Manager
Janice Reyes, Finance Director
Employee Organization: Laguna Hills City Employee Association,
City Employee Organization

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM(S)

There were no public comments on the closed session item.

CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION

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

RECONVENE TO CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

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GENERAL BUSINESS - CONVENING AT 7:00 PM**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Mayor Pezold.

INVOCATION: Pastor Leland Lantz of Lutheran Church of the Cross

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Heft

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CLOSED SESSION REPORT**A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**

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

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 Darya Ardehali.

1.2 Certificate of Recognition for Laguna Hills High School Student Liaison Darya Ardehali for the Spring 2021 Semester

Recommendation: Mayor Pezold presented a Certificate of Recognition to Darya Ardehali recognizing her service as the Laguna Hills High School Student Liaison.

2. SCHEDULE OF FUTURE EVENTS**2.1 Schedule of Future Events**

Recommendation: Interim City Manager Rosenfield announced the upcoming City events for the month of June 2021.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments on non-agendized items.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar with Council Member Heft removing Item No. 4.5 and Item No. 4.8.

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

4.1 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 May 25, 2021, Regular Meeting

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Minutes for the May 25, 2021, Regular Meeting.

4.3 Ratification of June 8, 2021, Warrant Register

Recommendation: That the City Council ratify the accompanying Warrant Register for the period from May 14, 2021, to May 27, 2021, in the amount of \$263,707.60.

4.4 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

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

4.6 Award of Traffic Signal Maintenance Services Agreement

Recommendation: That the City Council award the Citywide Traffic Signal Maintenance Services Agreement to Crosstown Electrical & Data, Inc., reject all other Bids, and authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement.

4.7 Rejection of Bid Proposals for Citywide Street Maintenance Services

Recommendation: That the City Council reject all Bid Proposals for Citywide Street Maintenance Services and direct Staff to reissue the Notice Inviting Bids and Specifications.

4.9 Community Outreach for the 2021-2029 Housing Element Update

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

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**4.5 Proposed Civic Center Lease for Suite 150 and Suite 160 with the County of Orange Clerk-Recorder for 24031 El Toro Road, Suites 150 & 160, Laguna Hills, California**

Council Member Heft removed Item No. 4.5 from the Consent Calendar to speak in favor of the Item.

Susan Evans, Chief Deputy Recorder, spoke on behalf of the Orange County Clerk Recorder in favor of the Item.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve an office lease with the County of Orange Clerk-Recorder for Suites 150 and 160 for 24031 El Toro Road, Suites 150 & 160, Laguna Hills, California, and authorize the City Manager to execute the Lease.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, 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

4.8 Consulting Services Agreement with Mercy House Living Centers to Provide Homeless Outreach Services Within the City of Laguna Hills

Council Member Heft removed Item No. 4.8 from the Consent Calendar to request additional information.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a Consulting Services Agreement with Mercy House Living Centers to provide homeless outreach services for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 in the not to exceed amount of \$26,130.

Motion to move Staff's recommendation and to direct Staff to request an oral report from Mercy House Living Centers on a quarterly basis regarding homeless outreach services and status updates on the homeless population in the City.

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

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 7:34 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 May 25, 2021, Regular Meeting

Recommendation: That the Planning Agency approve the Minutes for the May 25, 2021, Regular Meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Hunt, Agency Member
SECONDER:	Janine Heft, Agency Member
AYES:	Erica Pezold, Chair; Don Sedgwick, Vice Chair; Janine Heft, Agency Member; Bill Hunt, Agency Member; Dave Wheeler, Agency Member

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 7:34 p.m. All Council Members were present in chamber.

6. CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no City Council public hearings.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**7.1. City Manager****7.1.1 Legislative Update for the 2021-2022 Regular Session of the California State Legislature**

Interim City Manager Rosenfield reviewed the information provided in the staff report and additional information regarding proposed legislation designated as Senate Bill 6.

Recommendation: That the City Council receive and file the report and approve the City's Recommended Positions as noted in this written and oral report.

Motion to receive and file the report and approve the recommendations regarding positions on the Bills as described in the report and by the Interim City Manager, with the addition of an oppose position on Senate Bill 6.

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**8.1. Mayor Pezold****8.1.1 Discussion of Public Safety in the City**

Mayor Pezold provided information on this Item.

Chief of Police Services, Capt. Stiverson spoke regarding safety in the City and responded to Council requests for additional information.

The following individuals addressed the City Council on this item:

A resident of Laguna Hills spoke regarding crime concerns in the Via Lomas neighborhood.

Neel Patel, a resident of Laguna Hills, spoke regarding crime concerns in the City and provided a PowerPoint presentation handout to the Council.

Gail Croel, a resident of Laguna Hills, spoke regarding crime concerns in the City.

Recommendation: Mayor Pezold recommends that the City Council hold a discussion on issues pertaining to public safety throughout the City.

Motion to direct Staff to look into a 24/7 Security Patrol at the Community Center, as well as increased signage, additional cameras, and extra lighting was made by Mayor Pezold and no second was made. As a result, no action was taken on this motion.

Motion to direct Staff to research increasing public safety in the City and provide recommendations to the City Council at the June 22, 2021, meeting was made by Council Member Heft, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Sedgwick.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, 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

8.1.2 Planning for an Opiates Use Awareness Event in the City

Mayor Pezold provided information on this Item.

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

Recommendation: Mayor Pezold recommends that the City Council hold a discussion on opiate use and the potential establishment of an opiate use awareness event in the City.

Motion to direct Staff to work with Police Services to suggest ways to provide awareness and to deem Red Ribbon Week as Opiates Awareness Week was made by Mayor Pezold and no second was made. As a result, no action was taken on this motion.

8.2. Council Member Hunt

8.2.1 Formation of a Planning Commission

Council Member Hunt reviewed the information provided in the staff report.

Recommendation: Council Member Hunt recommends that the City Council consider the alternatives for the formation of a Planning Commission and determine the appropriate timing for forming a Planning Commission.

Motion to direct Staff to look into the options for formation of a Planning Commission and return to the Council with a report for further discussion was made by Council Member Hunt, seconded by Mayor Pezold. No vote was taken on this motion.

Substitute motion to table the item until a more feasible time to discuss was made by Council Member Heft, seconded by Council Member Wheeler.

RESULT:	TABLED [3 TO 2]
MOVER:	Janine Heft, Council Member
SECONDER:	Dave Wheeler, Council Member
AYES:	Don Sedgwick, Mayor Pro Tempore; Janine Heft, Council Member; Dave Wheeler, Council Member
NAYS:	Erica Pezold, Mayor; Bill Hunt, Council Member

9. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS**9.1. Mayor Pro Tempore Sedgwick****9.1.1 Orange County Fire Authority**

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

Mayor Pro Tempore Sedgwick provided a video on Orange County Fire Authority's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

10. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**Council Member Hunt**

Council Member Hunt requested that a discussion regarding the Grand Jury report on the Transportation Corridor Agencies be agendaized for a future meeting and received a second from Mayor Pro Tempore Sedgwick.

Mayor Pezold

Mayor Pezold thanked everyone for being at the meeting and provided appreciation for the report provided by Laguna Hills resident, Neel Patel.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council at this session, Mayor Pezold declared the meeting adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

Melissa Au-Yeung, City Clerk

ATTEST:

Erica Pezold, Mayor

Approved at meeting of June 22, 2021