

JOINT MEETING OF THE EL CAJON CITY COUNCIL/HOUSING AUTHORITY/SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE EL CAJON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY



MINUTES

CITY OF EL CAJON EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA

September 24, 2019

An Adjourned Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/ Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency, held Tuesday, September 24, 2019, was called to order by Mayor/Chair Bill Wells at 3:03 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, California.

ROLL CALL

Council/Agencymembers present:	Kendrick and Ortiz
Council/Agencymembers absent:	McClellan
Deputy Mayor/Vice Chair present:	Goble
Mayor/Chair present:	Wells
Other Officers present:	Mitchell, City Manager/Executive Director DiMaggio, Assistant City Manager Foley, City Attorney/General Counsel Cortez, City Clerk/Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG led by Mayor Wells and MOMENT OF SILENCE. (The Courts have concluded that sectarian prayer, as part of City Council Meetings, is not permitted under the Constitution).

POSTINGS: The City Clerk posted Orders of Adjournment of the September 10, 2019, Meeting and the Agenda of the September 24, 2019, Meetings in accordance with State Law and El Cajon City/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency Policy.

PRESENTATIONS:

Oath of Office: Police Chief Michael Moulton

Presentation: San Diego River Park Foundation

Proclamation: San Diego Metropolitan Transit System - Free Ride Day

Proclamation: German American Month

Proclamation: Fire Prevention Week

AGENDA CHANGES:

City Manager Mitchell requested that Item No. 7 be postponed to October 8, 2019, at 3:00 P.M.

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY GOBLE, to POSTPONE Item No. 7, to October 8, 2019, as requested by the City Manager.

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT
(McClellan – Absent).**

CONSENT ITEMS: (1 – 6)

1. Minutes of El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency Policy

Approves Minutes of the September 10, 2019, Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency Policy.

2. Warrants

Approves payment of Warrants as submitted by the Finance Department.

3. Approval of Reading Ordinances by Title only

Approves the reading by title and waive the reading in full of all Ordinances on the Agenda.

CONSENT ITEMS: (Continued)

4. Housing Authority Annual Report for FY 2018-2019
 1. Approves the attached Annual Report; and
 2. Authorizes the Executive Director to transmit it, in a form substantially as presented, to the California Department of Housing and Community Development as required by State law.

5. Extension and Modification of New Hire Incentive Pilot Program for Sworn Police Officers

Authorizes the extension and modification of the Police Department's "New Hire Incentive Pilot Program".

DISCUSSION

Mayor Wells requested clarification to how the incentive program will affect the city.

Human Resources Director, Marisol Thorn, explained the success of the program in other jurisdictions and the costs to the city as a result of this incentive program. Ms. Thorn advised that despite the recent increase in pay, the program is very much recommended.

6. 2019 Investment Policy Update

Adopts Resolution No. ECHA-29, adopting City of El Cajon Investment Policy and delegating investment authorities to the Director of Finance/Authority Treasurer.

DISCUSSION

Mayor Wells requested clarification to the financial portion of the Item.

Finance Director, Clay Schoen, explained the two (2) main components of the process renewal of the investment policy which include the City Council's delegation to the City Manager's designee to invest the city's funds, and to adopt or renew the investment policy, which sets the guideline in which we can invest the money.

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to APPROVE Consent Items 1 to 6.

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT
(McClellan – Absent).**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Elaine Briggs spoke in reference to the stone sign located at the end of the Gillespie Field Runway, which seems abandoned and an eyesore. Ms. Briggs commented on the City's online Report a Concern feature, that it is not compatible with Ipad or smartphone users.

In response to Ms. Briggs concerns, City Manager Mitchell advised that the stone sign is owned by the County. A call will be placed to the County for maintenance.

City Manager Mitchell advised Ms. Briggs that the City is aware of the City's incompatible website feature, and stated that information will be presented to Council for a better application in the near future.

Jim Cirigliano congratulated Chief Moulton on his new role. Mr. Cirigliano spoke in support of appointing a woman to Council, and public transportation issues. He requested that Form 460 and Form 700 be posted on the City's website.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING:

Per action taken under Agenda Changes, this item was postponed to October 8, 2019, at 3:00 P.M.

7. Administrative Hearing - Appeal by Alexandra Investments, Inc., dba Angelo's Towing & Recovery

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council conducts the Administrative Hearing; reviews the documents submitted; receives testimony from witnesses who have been identified on each party's list; and determines whether the City Manager's denial of a Special Operations License ("SOL") to operate a Police Department towing business should be upheld or overturned.

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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

8. First Quarter Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year 2019-20

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council:

1. Appropriates carry-over funding of \$2,863,130 from previously approved Capital Improvement Projects, capital outlay requests, and programs, to be expended in Fiscal Year 2019-20;
2. Increases or modifies Fiscal Year 2019-20 appropriations in the net amount of \$46,000, for additional needs, as detailed in the report.

DISCUSSION

Director of Finance, Clay Schoen, provided a summary of the Item.

Councilmember Goble spoke in support of staff's recommendation to report on the economic development separately.

MOTION BY KENDRICK, SECOND BY ORTIZ, to APPROPRIATE carry-over funding of \$2,863,130 from previously approved Capital Improvement Projects, capital outlay requests, and programs, to be expended in Fiscal Year 2019-20; and to increase or modify Fiscal Year 2019-20 appropriations in the net amount of \$46,000 for additional needs, as detailed in the report.

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT
(McClellan – Absent).**

COMMISSION REPORTS: None

ACTIVITIES REPORTS/COMMENTS OF MAYOR WELLS:

SANDAG (San Diego Association of Governments) Board of Directors; SANDAG – Audit Committee; League of California Cities, San Diego Division; Heartland Fire Training JPA – Alternate; LAFCO.

9. Council Activities Report/Comments

Report as stated.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS/COMMENTS OF MAYOR WELLS: (Continued)

10. Legislative Update

Assistant City Manager DiMaggio provided information on the following bills:

SB 5: Update on Affordable Housing and Community Development Investment Program.

SB 13: Update on Accessory Dwelling Units.

SB 230: Update on Law enforcement's use of deadly force.

Update provided on an Executive Order signed by Governor Newsom, which involves the investment of PERS funds from fossil fuel type investments.

The City will continue to monitor and provide updates in the future.

Discussion ensued between Council and staff in reference to bills that involve use of deadly force, and how that applies to a Charter City, such as El Cajon.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS:

11. COUNCILMEMBER GARY KENDRICK
METRO Commission/Wastewater JPA; Heartland Communications; Heartland Fire Training JPA.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

12. COUNCILMEMBER BOB MCCLELLAN
MTS (Metropolitan Transit System Board); Harry Griffen Park Joint Steering Committee; Heartland Communications – Alternate.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS: (Continued)

- 13. DEPUTY MAYOR STEVE GOBLE
SANDAG – Board of Directors – Alternate; SANDAG Public Safety Committee – Alternate; METRO Commission/Wastewater JPA – Alternate; Chamber of Commerce – Government Affairs Committee; MTS (Metropolitan Transit System Board) – Alternate.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

- 14. COUNCILMEMBER PHIL ORTIZ
East County Economic Development Council; League of California Cities, San Diego Division.

Council Activities Report/Comments.

Report as stated.

In addition to the report submitted, Councilmember Ortiz advised that the Governmental Affairs Meeting for the East County Chamber of Commerce on September 24, 2019, had been cancelled.

JOINT COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS: None

GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

- 15. El Cajon Animal Shelter Donations for August 2019

RECOMMENDATION:

In accordance with City Council Policy B-2, staff informs the City Council about receiving the following donations for the El Cajon Animal Shelter for the month of August:

Madeline Muller & Family	\$100
David Carroll	\$100
Nancy Lewis	\$100
The Jensen & Geraty Family	\$150
Total	\$450

ORDINANCES: FIRST READING – None

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING AND ADOPTION

16. Amendment of Chapter 2.24 of El Cajon Municipal Code to Eliminate the Veterans' Commission, the Commission on Arts and Culture, and the Human Relations Commission

RECOMMENDATION:

That Mayor Wells requests the City Clerk to recite the title.

The City Clerk recited the title of the ordinance for a second reading.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2.24 OF
TITLE 2 OF THE EL CAJON MUNICIPAL CODE
TO ELIMINATE THE VETERANS' COMMISSION,
COMMISSION ON ARTS AND CULTURE, AND
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

MOTION BY GOBLE, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ADOPT Ordinance No. 5086, Amending Chapter 2.24 of El Cajon Municipal Code to Eliminate the Veterans' Commission, the Commission on Arts and Culture, and the Human Relations Commission.

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT
(McClellan – Absent).**

CLOSED SESSIONS:

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency adjourned Closed Session as follows:

17. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9: Climate Action Campaign vs. City of El Cajon, et al.

MOTION BY WELLS, SECOND BY KENDRICK, to ADJOURN to Closed Session at 4:03 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT
(McClellan – Absent).**

CLOSED SESSIONS: (Continued)

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AT 4:36 P.M.

City Attorney Morgan Foley reported the following actions:

- No reportable action taken.

Adjournment: Mayor Wells adjourned the Adjourned Regular Joint Meeting of the El Cajon City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency held this 24th day of September, 2019, at 4:36 p.m., to Tuesday, September 24, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

ANGELA L. CORTEZ, CMC
City Clerk/Secretary