

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the La Mesa City Council
Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California

The City Council minutes are prepared and ordered to correspond to the City Council Agenda. Agenda Items can be taken out of order during the meeting.

The Agenda Items were considered in the order presented, except for Item 10 which was heard after Item 13.

Vice Mayor Parent called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Vice Mayor Parent; Councilmembers Alessio, Baber, and Weber.

ABSENT: Mayor Arapostathis.

STAFF: City Manager Garrett; City Attorney Sabine; City Clerk Wiegelman; Assistant City Manager Humora.

INVOCATION – COUNCILMEMBER WEBER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

There were no comments.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN REPORTS

The Vice Mayor and Council made announcements and reported on various events taking place in the City. No action was taken.

PRESENTATIONS

PROCLAIMING APRIL 13, 2019 AS APRIL POOLS DAY AND MAY 2019 AS DROWNING PREVENTION MONTH

Councilmember Alessio presented the proclamation to Recreation Supervisor for Aquatics and Sports Becky Jackman.

Recreation Supervisor for Aquatics and Sports Becky Jackman announced that the City of La Mesa's April Pools Day event would take place on April 13, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. to

3:00 p.m. at the La Mesa Municipal Pool.

PROCLAIMING APRIL 27, 2019 AS ARBOR DAY

Councilmember Baber presented the proclamation to Public Works Director Leja.

ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – (TOTAL TIME – 15 MINUTES)

Rory Laskar, resident, spoke regarding the La Mesa Village Farmers' Market.

Robin Rushmore spoke regarding the La Mesa Village Farmers' Market.

Alex Chau and Marvin Locke, Helix Charter High School students, spoke on installing trash receptacles along University Avenue.

Carla Butcher spoke regarding the La Mesa Village Farmers' Market.

Eric Clark spoke regarding the La Mesa Village Farmers' Market.

CONFLICT DISCLOSURES

There were no conflict of interest disclosures.

CONSENT CALENDAR

(Items 1 through 9)

1. **APPROVAL OF MOTION TO WAIVE THE READING OF THE TEXT OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AT THIS MEETING**

Approved.

2. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019**

Approved.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019**

Approved.

4. **REMOVED.**

5. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY18 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SHSGP) GRANT OF \$47,025 FOR TERRORISM PREPAREDNESS

Resolution No. 2019-026 was adopted.

6. RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF DIVISION CHIEF POSITIONS WITHIN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM ONE TO TWO

Resolution No. 2019-027 was adopted.

7. RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$152,000 INTO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ACCOUNT 3021990T – REGIONAL ARTERIAL IMPROVEMENTS

Resolution No. 2019-028 was adopted.

8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO PGH WONG ENGINEERING, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE FLETCHER PARKWAY INTERCONNECT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Resolution No. 2019-029 was adopted.

9. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 5 FOR THE FLETCHER PARKWAY INTERCONNECT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, BID NO. 18-03, TO ELECNOR BELCO ELECTRIC, INC.

Resolution No. 2019-030 was adopted.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Baber and seconded by Councilmember Alessio to approve Consent Calendar Items 1 through 9, except for Item 4.

Vote: 4-0

Yes: Vice Mayor Parent, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember Weber

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Mayor Arapostathis

Motion passed.

4. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM GENERAL FUND RESERVES TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO FOR THE FORMER COUNTY LIBRARY PARCEL

Kathleen Brand, resident, spoke regarding the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of La Mesa and the County of San Diego for the former county library parcel. Ms. Brand also recommended changes to the staff report for Item 4 and the 2019 Targets for Action Work Plan.

City Manager Garrett provided a brief overview of the history of the former county library parcel and the agreement between the City of La Mesa and County of San Diego.

Councilmember Baber stated for the record that he has not been a member of the Civic Center Master Plan Subcommittee since April 2018 due to a potential conflict of interest with his appointment to the Countywide Redevelopment Successor Agency Oversight Board County of San Diego.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Alessio and seconded by Councilmember Weber to approve the resolution transferring and appropriating funds from General Fund reserves to the County of San Diego for the former county library parcel.

Vote: 4-0

Yes: Vice Mayor Parent, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember Weber

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Mayor Arapostathis

Motion passed. Resolution No. 2019-031.

STAFF REPORTS

10. REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE THE NOTIFICATION PROCESS REQUIRED BY PROPOSITION 218 AND SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING FOR A PROPOSED INCREASE IN EDCO TRASH RATES TO BE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

Item 10 was considered following Item 13.

Sustainability Analyst Lybeck explained the Proposition 218 notification process and timeline and discussed the rate proposal from EDCO.

Sustainability Analyst Lybeck introduced Steve South, President/CEO, EDCO Disposal, who provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the state of recycling, the proposed two year residential trash rate, California State Mandates, commingled organics collection, the planned state-of-the-art anaerobic digestion facility, the anaerobic digestion process, and EDCO's public outreach efforts.

A discussion ensued between Council and staff regarding the location for the planned state-of-the-art anaerobic digestion facility, the commingled organics collection process, and the addition of an organic receptacle with trash and recycling receptacles.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Alessio and seconded by Councilmember Baber to authorize staff to initiate the notification process required by Proposition 218 and schedule a public hearing for a proposed increase in EDCO trash rates, which, if approved, would be effective July 1, 2019.

Vote: 4-0

Yes: Vice Mayor Parent, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember Weber
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: Mayor Arapostathis

Motion passed.

11. RESOLUTION OF INTENTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA

Human Resources/Risk Manager Freeman explained the purpose of the CalPERS contract amendment and the amendment process.

A discussion ensued between Council and staff regarding the cost sharing provisions for public safety personnel.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Baber and seconded by Councilmember Alessio to adopt the Resolution of Intention to approve a second amendment to the contract between the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) and the City Council of the City of La Mesa, to provide a mandatory employee contribution of an additional .5% of salary as provided under Government Code Section 20516(a) applicable to all Classic CalPERS unrepresented employees and all Classic CalPERS La Mesa City Employees' Association (LMCEA) members to become effective July 12, 2019.

Vote: 4-0

Yes: Vice Mayor Parent, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember Weber
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: Mayor Arapostathis

Motion passed. Resolution No. 2019-032 was adopted.

ORDINANCES: FIRST READING

12. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA AND THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

City Attorney Sabine read the title of the Ordinance.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Baber and seconded by Councilmember Alessio to approve the introduction and first reading of the Ordinance authorizing a second amendment to

the contract between the City Council of the City of La Mesa and the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS), to provide a mandatory employee contribution of an additional .5% of salary as provided under Government Code Section 20516(a) applicable to all Classic CalPERS unrepresented employees and all Classic CalPERS La Mesa City Employees' Association (LMCEA) members to become effective July 12, 2019.

Vote: 4-0

Yes: Vice Mayor Parent, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember Weber

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Mayor Arapostathis

Motion passed.

13. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA ADDING CHAPTER 10.19 TO THE LA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING SHARED MICROMOBILITY PROGRAM

City Attorney Sabine read the title of the Ordinance.

Public Works Director Leja provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the history of dockless bicycles and scooters in the City of La Mesa and past Council actions, the current conditions and practices of dockless bicycles and scooters, the draft non-exclusive pilot license agreement, comments from stakeholders on the draft non-exclusive pilot license agreement, the components of the Micromobility Share Program Ordinance, and the potential fees associated with the Micromobility Share Program.

A discussion ensued between Council and staff regarding the various companies testing the dockless bicycles and scooters market in La Mesa, the overall market for dockless bicycles and scooters, the impoundment regulations for dockless bicycles and scooters, the fees associated with the Micromobility Share Program, and state legislation related to dockless bicycles and scooters.

Kathleen Brand, resident, spoke regarding the need for better bicycle infrastructure and expressed her support for dockless bicycles and scooters.

Jerry Jones, resident, spoke regarding the potential fees associated with the Micromobility Share Program and expressed his support for dockless bicycles and scooters.

A discussion continued between Council and staff regarding the cost of bicycle infrastructure, regulating non-compliant micromobility companies, the non-exclusive pilot license agreement, the fees associated with the Micromobility Share Program, the fees charged by cities of similar size, and the cost recovery for the Micromobility Share Program.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Baber and seconded by Vice Mayor Parent to (1) approve the introduction and first reading of the Ordinance adding Chapter 10.19 to the La Mesa Municipal Code which would require shared micromobility operators to enter into a license

agreement with the City of La Mesa in order to conduct business within City limits; and (2) direct staff to return with information on the fees cities of similar size are charging micromobility companies to operate within the city.

Vote: 4-0

Yes: Vice Mayor Parent, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember Weber

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Mayor Arapostathis

Motion passed.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (3 MINUTE LIMIT)

The Vice Mayor and Council reported on various outside boards, commissions and committee meetings they attended. No action was taken.

AB 1234 REPORTS (GC 53232.3(d))

Councilmember Baber reported on his trip to Costa Mesa on March 28 – 29, 2019 for the League of California Cities Policy Committee meetings.

CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

There were no remarks.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Mayor Parent adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Megan Wiegelman, CMC
City Clerk