

**CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
July 17, 2013
2:00 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ring called the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Laguna Woods to order at 2:00 p.m.

II. FLAG SALUTE

Linda Wilson led the flag salute.

III. ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBERS: PRESENT: Hatch, Hack, Robbins, Ring
 ABSENT: Connors

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Keane, Assistant City Manager Reilly, Public Safety
 Director Macon, Deputy City Clerk Donohue, City Attorney
 Cosgrove

IV. PRESENTATIONS

None

V. CITY COMMENDATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Robbins, seconded by Councilmember Hack, 1 absent (Councilmember Connors) and carried to approve City Commendations and Proclamations:

5.1 Commendation – Mildred N. Landecker, 100th birthday

Mayor Ring presented a certificate of commendation to Mildred N. Landecker in honor of her 100th birthday. Ms. Landecker made brief remarks.

Councilmember Hatch asked if Ms. Landecker has been interviewed for her historical knowledge of the early days in the community.

Mayor Ring stated she indirectly has been interviewed and noted that Ms. Landecker was an honoree of the month in the Historical Society.

5.2 Proclamation – National Clown Week, August 1-7, 2013

Mayor Ring presented a proclamation to the Laguna Woods Clown Alley in celebration of National Clown Week. He thanked the group for their service to the community.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Robbins, seconded by Councilmember Hack, 1 absent (Councilmember Conners) and carried to approve Consent Calendar Items 6.1 – 6.5 with the exception of the City Council minutes of June 7, 2013.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Robbins, seconded by Councilmember Hack, 1 absent (Councilmember Conners) and carried to approve the minutes of June 7, 2013 as corrected, (“June 3, 2013 offer of retirement” instead of “June 3, 2013 letter of retirement”).

6.1 Approved the minutes from the June 7, 2013 special meeting, June 19, 2013 regular meeting, and the June 26, 2013 adjourned regular meeting.

6.2 Approved the reading by title of all ordinances and resolutions. Said ordinances and resolutions that appear on the public agenda shall be determined to have been read by title only and further reading waived.

6.3 Treasurer’s Report

Received and filed the June 2013 monthly Treasurer’s Report.

6.4 Warrant Register

Approved the July 17, 2013 Warrant Register in the amount of \$673,922.17.

6.5 Aggressive Solicitation Regulations

Adopted an ordinance establishing regulations for aggressive solicitation, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS,
CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS RESTRICTING
AGGRESSIVE SOLICITATION

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

7.1 Disaster Recovery Initiative Grant

City Manager Keane introduced Public Safety Director Macon to present the report.

Public Safety Director Macon summarized the agenda report and noted that if the City Council approves the proposed resolution, staff will resubmit a request to the State. Once approved, the City will be able to hire a consultant to complete the work.

Councilmember Hatch asked what would be the nature of the work from the consultant.

Public Safety Director Macon responded the consultant would compile environmental data and draft a plan that is as locally specific as possible. He noted that the consultant would also work with staff and the Public Safety Committee on measures that the City could take to respond to the data.

The public hearing was opened.

Linda Wilson, resident, stated that she is a member of the Laguna Woods Village Disaster Preparedness Task Force. She asked how or if this will change anything.

Public Safety Director Macon stated that he does not believe it will change anything. It is meant to compile data and plan for environmental issues.

City Manager Keane stated that one of the purposes of the plan is make it possible for the City to apply for related grant programs.

Public Safety Director Macon added that climate adaptation plans and adaptation planning in general is very much a current topic in the State and noted that this would help the City become more competitive for a variety of climate related grant programs.

Councilmember Hatch stated that current rising heat levels and absence of water could potentially become a disaster. He asked if this particular study will touch on those issues.

Public Safety Director Macon stated it would.

Councilmember Hack stated that the heat issue directly impacts the community because of the age of the residents.

Councilmember Hatch asked what the current status is of fire prevention systems in Laguna Woods Village.

Ms. Wilson stated that the City and Orange County Fire Authority have been providing smoke alarms to residents in Laguna Woods Village.

City Manager Keane stated that when residential renovations meet a certain dollar threshold, they are required to install hard-wired smoke alarms.

Moved by Councilmember Hack, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Robbins, 1 absent (Councilmember Connors) to approve Resolution 13-13 to modify the City's Disaster Recovery Initiative grant agreement, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, REAFFIRMING A REQUEST TO MODIFY THE PLANNING ACTIVITIES FUNDED BY THE CITY'S 2008 DIASTER RECOVERY INITIATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

VIII. CITY COUNCIL

8.1 Ad Hoc City Manager Recruitment/Transition Committee (Mayor Ring/Councilmember Conners)

Mayor Ring stated that the Ad Hoc Committee is asking the City Council to approve the transfer of \$12,500 to support City Manager transition consulting services.

Councilmember Hatch asked if the contract they are entering into is a transition contract until the City Council decides to employ an executive search team.

Mayor Ring stated the Ad Hoc Committee plans to get back to the City Council soon with a full report since Councilmember Conners has been on vacation.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Robbins, seconded by Councilmember Hatch, 1 absent (Councilmember Conners) to approve the transfer of \$12,500 from the City Council Contingency account to the City Council contract services account to fund City Manager recruitment consulting services.

City Attorney Cosgrove stated that the resolution would authorize the Ad Hoc Committee to select and retain consulting services with respect to transition planning without having to come back to the City Council.

Moved by Councilmember Hack, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Robbins, 1 absent (Councilmember Conners) to approve a resolution authorizing the Council Ad Hoc Committee to hire consulting assistance, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS AUTHORIZING THE AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR CITY MANAGER TRANSITION AND OVERSIGHT TO HIRE CONSULTING ASSISTANCE

IX. CITY MANAGER

9.1 San Sebastian Regulatory Agreement

City Manager Keane summarized the agenda report and noted that staff is proposing to modify the current agreement to allow low income residents of San Sebastian to recertify as long as their income does not exceed 110% of current state established income limits.

Councilmember Hatch asked if the City has the authority to allow this to occur without the State getting involved.

City Manager Keane responded affirmatively and noted that staff had conferred with the State and the Orange County Housing Authority on this matter.

Councilmember Hatch asked if there is a sense that San Sebastian will always be an apartment building.

City Manager Keane stated that San Sebastian recently approached the City about the

possibility of changing their facility into a permanent rental community, which would suggest that selling individual units is not being considered.

Councilmember Hack stated that people will probably start reporting higher incomes as the economy picks up. He noted that he was the only one who disapproved of the original project.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Robbins, seconded by Councilmember Hatch, 1 absent (Councilmember Conners) to authorize the City Manager to execute an amendment to the recertification process of the Regulatory Agreement and Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions between the City of Laguna Woods and property owner of record of the San Sebastian condominium complex, subject to approval of the City Attorney as to form.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

10.1 Transportation Corridor Agency (Councilmember Hack)

Councilmember Hack reported there has been no meeting since their last meeting.

10.2 Orange County Library Board (Mayor Pro Tem Robbins)

Mayor Pro Tem Robbins reported there has been no meeting since their last meeting.

10.3 Orange County Fire Authority (Councilmember Hatch)

Councilmember Hatch reported that the County Treasurer voted in favor of maintaining the amortization time for cities' responsibilities to cure any share that they may have for unfunded pension liabilities. He noted this would have a significant impact on contract cities. The County Treasurer is now reconsidering her vote and has requested a re-vote at a September meeting. He asked if this would impact the City.

City Manager Keane responded it would not at this particular time. She noted that over the years the Orange County Fire Authority has struggled with this pension issue and the inequality of payment from various members.

10.4 Southern California Water Committee (Councilmember Hack)

Councilmember Hack reported that there has been no meeting since their last meeting.

10.5 Coastal Greenbelt Authority (Councilmember Conners)

Mayor Ring stated the Authority is scheduled to meet on July 18, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

10.6 Vector Control District Board (Mayor Pro Tem Robbins)

Mayor Pro Tem Robbins reported that management has placed emphasis on West Nile Virus this past month. He noted that 65% of West Nile Virus victims have contracted the most serious form of it and discussed different ways people can protect themselves from

mosquitos. He urged the community to try to prevent water from accumulating around flowerpots because it is a good source for mosquitos to breed.

An unidentified resident asked if the Vector Control District assists with flea and possum related issues in the community.

Mayor Pro Tem Robbins stated that she could contact the Vector Control District to come out and inspect the problem.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

XII. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

12.1 Reports on Meetings Attended per Government Code §53232.3

A. Water Advisory Committee, July 12, 2013: Councilmember Hack

Councilmember Hack reported that he was disappointed with some of the public officials that spoke at the meeting.

Councilmember Hatch asked if the new Delta Plan is favorable or unfavorable.

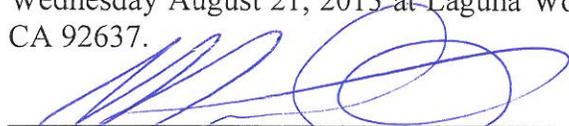
Councilmember Hack stated that the plan is favorable. There is current a bond issue that is supposed to come up this year; however, there has been talk of pushing the bond issue until next year ,which is unfavorable because it is difficult to pass a bond in an election year. He believes the delay of the bond could put the State in jeopardy if an earthquake were to occur in the future.

Mayor Ring announced the free showing of the movie 42 on Sunday, July 21, 2013 at City Hall. He encouraged residents to call City Hall to make reservations and enjoy the free drinks and popcorn. He acknowledged Community Services Manager Foley's selection of recent movies shown at City Hall.

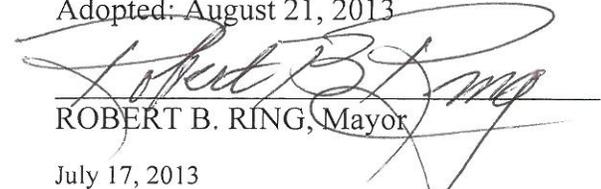
XIII. CLOSED SESSION – None

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m. The next regular meeting will be at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday August 21, 2013 at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.


MARC DONOHUE, Deputy City Clerk

Adopted: August 21, 2013


ROBERT B. RING, Mayor