

**CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS CALIFORNIA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
September 16, 2020
2:00 P.M.
Laguna Woods City Hall
24264 El Toro Road
Laguna Woods, California 92637**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hatch called the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Laguna Woods to order at 2:04 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER: PRESENT: Conners, Moore, Horne, Hatch, Rainey
 ABSENT: -

All Councilmembers participated via teleconference as permitted by Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 (dated March 17, 2020).

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Macon, City Attorney Cosgrove, City Clerk Trippy

City Manager Macon and City Clerk Trippy participated in-person at the meeting location.

City Attorney Cosgrove participated via teleconference.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Horne led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND CEREMONIAL MATTERS

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mike Contreras, Orange County Fire Authority, commented on wildfires.

City Manager Macon responded to a question from Mayor Hatch regarding technical difficulties affecting the City Council meeting.

Mike Contreras, Orange County Fire Authority, commented on wildfires and AlertOC. He also responded to questions from Councilmembers regarding wildfires, heat, and COVID-19.

Councilmember Rainey commented on the anniversary of September 11.

City Manager Macon read email correspondence that was sent by Ashley Owen titled "City council meeting general comment", dated September 16, 2020 11:25 a.m. regarding Proposition 16 on the November 3, 2020 ballot. That correspondence is noted and included in the public record.

City Manager Macon read email correspondence that was sent by Jeremy Navarro titled "comments for city council meeting", dated September 16, 2020 12:46 p.m. regarding Proposition 16 on the November 3, 2020 ballot. That correspondence is noted and included in the public record.

City Manager Macon read email correspondence that was sent by Jane Miller titled "Please say NO to Prop 16", dated September 16, 2020 12:53 p.m. regarding Proposition 16 on the November 3, 2020 ballot. That correspondence is noted and included in the public record.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Horne, seconded by Councilmember Conners, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve Consent Calendar items 6.1 – 6.8. This vote was conducted by roll call.

6.1 City Council Minutes

Approved the City Council meeting minutes for the regular meeting on August 19, 2020 and the adjourned regular meeting on August 27, 2020.

6.2 City Treasurer's Report

Received and filed the City Treasurer's Report for the month of August 2020.

6.3 Warrant Register

Approved the warrant register dated September 16, 2020 in the amount of \$544,996.69.

6.4 Employee Benefits

Adopted a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE SECTION 125 FLEXIBLE BENEFITS PLAN FOR CITY EMPLOYEES AND TAKING OTHER ACTIONS RELATED TO THE ADMINISTRATION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE FLEXIBLE BENEFITS PLAN

6.5 Senior Mobility Transportation Services

Approved an agreement with Cabco Yellow, Inc. dba California Yellow Cab for senior mobility transportation services and authorized the Mayor to execute the agreement, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

6.6 Water Efficient Median Improvement Project (Santa Maria Avenue)

1. Approved final record plans and specifications reflecting completion of the “Water Efficient Median Improvement Project (Santa Maria Avenue)”.

AND

2. Accepted project completion of the contract agreement with BrightView Landscape Services, Inc. for the “Water Efficient Median Improvement Project (Santa Maria Avenue)”.

AND

3. Release contract retention in the amount of \$3,223.04 withheld per California Government Code 35 days following recordation of the Notice of Completion with the County of Orange, provided no Stop Notices are on file with the City preventing the release of the contract retention.

AND

4. Exonerate project posted bonds 35 days following recordation of the Notice of Completion with the County of Orange.

6.7 City Hall Refurbishment and Safety Project: Phase 2

1. Approved the “City Hall Refurbishment and Safety Project: Phase 2” design plans and specifications as prepared by the project architect.

AND

2. Awarded a contract agreement to New Millennium Construction Services for the construction of the “City Hall Refurbishment and Safety Project: Phase 2”, in the amount of \$135,890, plus authorized change orders not to exceed 20% of the base amount; and authorized the City Manager to execute a contract agreement and approve project changes, subject to approval of the contract agreement as to form by the City Attorney.

6.8 Conflict of Interest Code

Adopted a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, DETERMINING THAT NO CHANGES IN THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION NO. 18-27 ARE NECESSARY FOLLOWING THE REVIEW REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 87306.5

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

7.1 False Security System Alarm Fees

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Mayor Hatch opened the public hearing.

With no one requesting to speak, Mayor Hatch closed the public hearing.

Moved by Councilmember Conners, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Horne, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to adopt a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN INCREASED FALSE SECURITY SYSTEM ALARM FEE, AND DETERMINING THAT THE FEE IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

This vote was conducted by roll call.

VIII. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

8.1 Residential Density Bonus Standards Regulations

City Manager Macon introduced the item.

Councilmembers discussed the item and City Attorney Cosgrove responded to a related question.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Horne, seconded by Councilmember Rainey, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve second reading and adopt an ordinance – read by title with further reading waived – entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 13.26.040 OF THE LAGUNA WOODS MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO RESIDENTIAL DENSITY BONUS STANDARDS AND OTHER INCENTIVES FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS WITHIN, OR FOR THE DONATION OF

LAND FOR HOUSING WITHIN, THE CITY'S JURISDICTION,
CONSISTENT WITH CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION
65915 ET SEQ.

This vote was conducted by roll call.

8.2 Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act Funding

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Councilmembers discussed the item.

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Horne, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to authorize the City Manager to implement and administer a COVID-19 Home Electric Utility Subsidy Program using Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act funding to provide financial assistance to lower-income residents who are at least 65 years of age with increased electric utility costs as a result of complying with COVID-19-related public health measures.

8.3 City Council Meeting Schedule

City Manager Macon introduced the item.

Councilmembers discussed the item.

Moved by Councilmember Conners, seconded by Councilmember Rainey, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to schedule an adjourned regular meeting of the City Council for 1 p.m. on Thursday, October 15, 2020 at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.

IX. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

9.1 Coastal Greenbelt Authority

Councilmember Conners provided a report.

9.2 Orange County Fire Authority

Mayor Hatch provided a report.

9.3 Orange County Library Advisory Board

Councilmember Moore stated that there had been no meeting since the last meeting.

Councilmember Moore commented on a recent harassment prevention training that she attended.

Councilmember Rainey and Mayor Pro Tem Horne also attended the harassment prevention training and made related comments.

9.4 Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District

Mayor Pro Tem Horne provided a report.

9.5 San Joaquin Hills Transportation Corridor Agency

Councilmember Conners provided a report.

9.6 South Orange County Watershed Management Area

Councilmember Moore stated that there had been no meeting since the last meeting.

Councilmember Moore reported on a recent Water Advisory Committee of Orange County (WACO) meeting that she attended.

9.7 Other Comments and Reports

Mayor Hatch commented on a historical video of California that was shared with him and offered to share it with others.

Councilmembers responded to Mayor Hatch's comments.

Councilmember Moore responded to a question from Mayor Pro Tem Horne regarding sewage issues near the United States/Mexico border.

Councilmember Moore commented on three local businesses (Laguna Café, Nail Center & Spa, and Fortune Cookies Chinese Bistro) and displayed photographs of the same.

Mayor Hatch commented on the difficulty of current times and COVID-19.

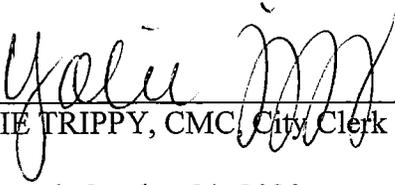
Councilmember Conners encouraged others to stay safe and healthy.

X. CLOSED SESSION – None

XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT – None

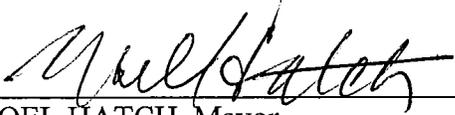
XII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:31 p.m. The next adjourned regular meeting will be at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 15, 2020, at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637. The next regular meeting will be at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 21, 2020, at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.



YOLIE TRIPPY, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: October 21, 2020



NOEL HATCH, Mayor