

**CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS CALIFORNIA  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
May 18, 2022  
2:00 P.M.  
Laguna Woods City Hall  
24264 El Toro Road  
Laguna Woods, California 92637**

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Mayor Moore made comments regarding the heroism of Dr. John Cheng during the recent shooting at Geneva Presbyterian Church and called for a moment of silence.

A moment of silence was observed.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Moore called the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Laguna Woods to order at 2:02 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

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

All councilmembers participated in-person at the meeting location.

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

All staff participated in-person at the meeting location.

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Captain Walters, Chief of Police Services, Orange County Sheriff's Department, led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Moore requested to add the following item to the agenda: "Informational Update on the Geneva Presbyterian Church", as a subsequent need item that was brought to the attention of the City Council after the posting of the agenda and to move Item 9.2 to following the added item.

Moved by Councilmember Horne, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Conners, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve the changes to the agenda proposed by Mayor Moore. This vote was conducted by roll call.

**IV. PRESENTATIONS AND CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

#### 4.0.01 Informational Update on the Geneva Presbyterian Church Shooting

Captain Walters, Chief of Police Services, Orange County Sheriff's Department, provided an update on the recent shooting at Geneva Presbyterian Church.

Councilmembers made comments.

#### 9.2 Orange County Fire Authority

Councilmember Hatch provided a report on the Orange County Fire Authority's response to the recent shooting at Geneva Presbyterian Church.

Division Chief Contreras, Orange County Fire Authority, provided an update on recent fires in the region and responded to related questions from Councilmembers.

A member of the public made comments regarding fire prevention activities and Division Chief Contreras responded to a related question.

Mayor Moore made comments.

#### 4.1 Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month – May 2022

City Clerk Trippy read the proclamation.

Cush Bhada, India Club, made comments.

Councilmembers made comments.

Ghaffar Pourazar, resident, made comments.

Azar Asgari, resident, made comments.

Q Lee, Korean American Club, made comments.

Councilmembers made comments.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Conners, seconded by Councilmember Horne, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve the proclamation.

#### 4.2 Older Americans Month – May 2022

Erica Danczak, Director of Aging and Veterans Services, Orange County Office on Aging, made comments.

Councilmember Horne made comments.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Conners, seconded by Councilmember Horne, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve the proclamation.

4.3 Transportation Corridor Agencies Presentation – Will O’Neill, Chair, San Joaquin Hills Transportation Corridor Agency

Will O’Neill, Chair, San Joaquin Hills Transportation Corridor Agency, made a presentation.

Ghaffar Pourazar, resident, asked a question regarding the presentation.

Mr. O’Neill responded to Mr. Pourazar.

Councilmembers made comments.

Mayor Moore called for a brief recess.

The meeting was called back to order at 3:51 p.m.

4.4 City Hall/Public Library Project Update

City Manager Macon provided an update and answered related questions.

Councilmembers made comments.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS – None**

**VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Moved by Councilmember Hatch, seconded by Councilmember Horne, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve Consent Calendar items 6.1 – 6.9.

6.1 Reserved

6.2 City Treasurer’s Report

Received and filed the City Treasurer’s Report for the month of April 2022.

6.3 Warrant Register

Approved the warrant register dated May 18, 2022 in the amount of \$1,114,545.49.

6.4 Teleconferencing for Meetings

Adopted a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, ALLOWING FOR THE CONTINUED USE OF TELECONFERENCING FOR MEETINGS DURING THE COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY, PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY BILL 361 (2021-2022)

6.5 Law Enforcement Services

Approved an agreement with the County of Orange for law enforcement services and authorized the Mayor to execute the agreement, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

6.6 Traffic Signal, Street Light and City Hall Lighting Maintenance Services

Approved an assignment agreement assigning the existing agreement with Siemens Mobility, Inc. for traffic signal, street light, and City Hall lighting maintenance services to Yunex, LLC and authorized the City Manager to execute the assignment agreement, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

6.7 General Municipal Election

1. Adopted a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA RELATED TO GENERAL LAW CITIES

AND

2. Adopted a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF ORNAGE TO CONSOLIDATE A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 WITH THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE SAME DATE, PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 10403

AND

3. Adopted a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATE STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022

AND

4. Adopted a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR TIE VOTES AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 TO BE RESOLVED BY LOT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 15651

6.8 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Pedestrian Accessibility Improvement Project: Phase 5

Increased the City Manager's authorization to approve change orders for the contract agreement with Kalban, Inc. for the construction of the "Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Pedestrian Accessibility Improvement Project: Phase 5" to 10% of the \$279,305 base amount.

6.9 City-maintained Catch Basins Full Capture Systems Retrofit Project

Rejected all bids received for the "City-maintained Catch Basins Full Capture Systems Retrofit Project" (bid opening date of April 28, 2022).

**VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None**

**VIII. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS**

8.1 Cannabis Business Tax

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Kathryn Freshley, resident, spoke in opposition to the recommendation.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff answered related questions.

Moved by Councilmember Horne, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Conners, and carried on a 4-1 vote, with Mayor Moore voting no, to approve the second reading and adopt an ordinance – read by title with further reading waived – entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 3.18 TO TITLE 3 OF THE LAGUNA WOODS MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING A TAX ON CANNABIS BUSINESSES ENGAGED IN BUSINESS IN THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS

City Manager Macon provided an overview of recommendations A2 through A4.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff answered related questions.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Conners, seconded by Councilmember Horne, and carried on a 4-1 vote, with Mayor Moore voting no, to adopt a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, CALLING FOR THE PLACEMENT AND CONSOLIDATION OF ONE MEASURE ON THE BALLOT FOR THE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION SEEKING TO ESTABLISH A TAX ON CANNABIS BUSINESSES ENGAGED IN BUSINESS IN THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff answered related questions.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Conners, seconded by Councilmember 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, DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS AND ESTABLISHING A PROCESS FOR FILING WRITTEN ARGUMENTS AND REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS REGARDING THE MEASURE ON THE BALLOT FOR THE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION SEEKING TO ESTABLISH A TAX ON CANNABIS BUSINESSES ENGAGED IN BUSINESS IN THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS

with Mayor Pro Tem Conners and Councilmember Horne authorized to file a written argument for the ballot measure signed as Councilmembers and Mayor Moore to file a written argument against the ballot measure signed as Mayor.

Moved by Councilmember Hatch, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Conners, and carried on a 4-1 vote, with Mayor Moore voting no, to adopt a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING AND ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEARS 2021-23 BUDGET AND WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2021 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2022,

AND FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2022 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2023, RELATED TO ADJUSTMENTS OF GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR PLACING AND CONSOLIDATING ONE MEASURE ON THE BALLOT FOR THE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION SEEKING TO ESTABLISH A TAX ON CANNABIS BUSINESSES ENGAGED IN BUSINESS IN THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS

8.2 Flavored Tobacco Product and Electronic Smoking Device Sales  
(agendized by Mayor Moore)

By consensus, the City Council continued this item to the May 26, 2022 adjourned regular meeting.

8.3 Light-Emitting Diode (LED) Signs

Councilmembers discussed the item and Michael Pauls, on behalf of LW Shell, Inc., answered related questions.

By consensus, the City Council continued this item to the May 26, 2022 adjourned regular meeting.

8.4 California Assembly Bill 1276 (Carrillo) (2021-2022)

By consensus, the City Council continued this item to the May 26, 2022 adjourned regular meeting.

8.5 Employee Compensation and Benefits

By consensus, the City Council continued this item to the May 26, 2022 adjourned regular meeting.

8.6 Ad Hoc Audit Committee

By consensus, the City Council continued this item to the May 26, 2022 adjourned regular meeting.

**IX. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

9.1 Coastal Greenbelt Authority

Mayor Pro Tem Conners provided a report.

9.3 Orange County Library Advisory Board

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

9.4 Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District

Councilmember Horne provided a report.

9.5 San Joaquin Hills Transportation Corridor Agency

Mayor Pro Tem Conners stated that her report was provided during Item 4.3.

9.6 South Orange County Watershed Management Area

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

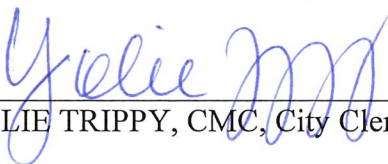
9.7 Other Comments and Reports – None

**X. CLOSED SESSION – None**

**XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT – None**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:22 p.m. The next adjourned regular meeting will be at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 26, 2022 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, June 15, 2022 at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.

  
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YOLIE TRIPPY, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: September 15, 2022

  
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CAROL MOORE, Mayor