

**CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS CALIFORNIA  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
June 15, 2022  
2:00 P.M.  
Laguna Woods City Hall  
24264 El Toro Road  
Laguna Woods, California 92637**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Moore called the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Laguna Woods to order at 2:03 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**

A member of the public led the pledge of allegiance.

**IV. PRESENTATIONS AND CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

4.1 Elder Abuse Awareness Month – June 2022

City Clerk Trippy read the proclamation.

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 Gun Violence Awareness Month – June 2022

City Clerk Trippy read the proclamation.

Councilmembers made comments.

A member of the public and Mayor Moore made comments regarding the sound quality in the Council Chambers.

Robert Cunningham, resident, made comments.

Mayor Moore briefly responded to the public 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 Pride Month – June 2022

City Clerk Trippy read the proclamation.

Charlie Becker, resident, made comments.

Gregg Boyd, Rainbow Club of Laguna Woods Village, made comments.

Councilmembers made comments.

Ramesh Joshi, resident, made comments and responded to a question from Mayor Pro Tem Conners.

Wendy Burry, resident, made comments.

Councilmembers made comments.

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

#### 4.4 City Hall/Public Library Project Update

City Manager Macon provided an update and answered related questions.

Rebeca Gilad, resident, made comments.

Mayor Moore made comments.

Mayor Moore called for a brief recess.

The meeting was called back to order at 3:02 p.m.

### **V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Robert Cunningham, resident, expressed concerns regarding election signs.

City Attorney Patterson briefly responded to the public comments.

## **VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilmember Hatch requested to pull Item 6.4 for separate discussion.

Moved by Councilmember Horne, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Conners, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve Consent Calendar items 6.1 – 6.3 and 6.5 – 6.14.

### **6.1 City Council Minutes**

Approved the City Council meeting minutes for the regular meeting on April 20, 2022.

### **6.2 City Treasurer's Report**

Received and filed the City Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2022.

### **6.3 Warrant Register**

Approved the warrant register dated June 15, 2022 in the amount of \$474,688.22.

### **6.5 Administrative Services for Employee Benefit Plans**

Approved an agreement with Navia Benefit Solutions, Inc. for administrative services for certain employee benefit plans maintained by the City and authorized the City Manager to execute the agreement subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

### **6.6 Arborist and Tree Risk Assessment Services**

Approved an extension of the agreement with Monarch Environmental Services for arborist and tree risk assessment services and authorized the City Manager to execute the extension, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

### **6.7 City Engineering and Traffic Operations Services**

1. Waived the provisions set forth in Laguna Woods Municipal Code Section 3.06.080(c) related to competitive bidding.

AND

2. Approved an extension of the agreement with CivilSource, Inc. for city engineering and traffic operations services and authorized the City Manager to execute the extension, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

### **6.8 City Hall/Public Library Project Architectural Services**

1. Waived the provisions set forth in Laguna Woods Municipal Code Section 3.06.080(c) related to competitive bidding.

AND

2. Approved an extension and amendment of the agreement with obrARCHITECTURE, Inc. for City Hall/Public Library Project architectural services and authorized the City Manager to execute the extension and amendment, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

#### 6.9 As Needed Financial Consulting Services

1. Waived the provisions set forth in Laguna Woods Municipal Code Section 3.06.080(c) related to competitive bidding.

AND

2. Approved an extension and amendment of the agreement with Irwin B. Bornstein for as needed financial consulting services and authorized the City Manager to execute the extension and amendment subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

#### 6.10 Information Technology Services

1. Waived the provisions set forth in Laguna Woods Municipal Code Section 3.06.080(c) related to competitive bidding.

AND

2. Approved an extension of the agreement with Practical Data Solutions for information technology services and authorized the City Manager to execute the extension, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

#### 6.11 As Needed Waste Management Consulting Services

1. Waived the provisions set forth in Laguna Woods Municipal Code Section 3.06.080(c) related to competitive bidding.

AND

2. Approved an extension and amendment of the agreement with Michael Balliet for as needed waste management consulting services and authorized the City Manager to execute the extension and amendment, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

#### 6.12 Senior Mobility Program

Waived the Senior Mobility Program's annual enrollment fee of \$10 per person for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

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

1. Approved final record plans and specifications reflecting completion of the "Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Pedestrian Accessibility Improvement Project: Phase 5".

AND

2. Accepted project completion of the contract agreement with Kalban, Inc. for the "Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Pedestrian Accessibility Improvement Project: Phase 5".

AND

3. Released contract retention in the amount of \$15,165.58 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.

6.14 Laguna Woods Civic Support Fund

Appointed German Cuenca with Sodexo Senior Living to the Board of Directors for the Laguna Woods Civic Support Fund as a business member.

**ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

6.4 Teleconferencing for Meetings

Councilmember Hatch commented on the item and inquired if it is still necessary.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff answered related questions.

Kathryn Freshley, resident, commented that elected officials previously had to disclose their address if they were attending a meeting remotely.

City Attorney Patterson briefly responded to the public comments.

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

**VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None**

**VIII. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**8.1 Fiscal Years 2022-32 Pavement Management Plan**

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Kathryn Freshley, resident, commented that the condition of the City’s streets is very good and the City Council should consider not accepting funds from the State so that they can be allocated to cities with greater needs.

City Manager Macon briefly responded to the public comments.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff answered related questions.

Moved by Councilmember Hatch, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Conners, 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, CONCERNING THE STATUS AND UPDATE OF THE PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE MEASURE M2 (M2) PROGRAM

**8.2 Fiscal Years 2021-23 Budget and Work Plan & Fiscal Years 2021-32 Capital Improvement Program**

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

A member of the public noted a typographical error in the PowerPoint presentation.

City Manager Macon acknowledged the error (“\$186,5006” should be “\$186,506”).

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:

1. Adopt a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A NEW 11-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2021-22 THROUGH 2031-32, IN CONFORMANCE WITH MEASURE M2 (OC GO) REQUIREMENTS AND APPLICABLE CITY POLICIES AND DISCRETION

AND

2. 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, RELTAED TO ADJUSTMENTS OF ROAD MAINTENANCE & REHABILITATION PROGRAM FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN PROJECT (NORTHBOUND MOULTON PARKWAY BETWEEN CALLE CORTEZ AND VIA CAMPO VERDE), AND ALLOCATION OF EXISTING FEDERAL GRANTS FUND (AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS)) APPROPRIATIONS TO SPECIFIC USES

AND

3. Increase the City Manager's authorization to approve change orders for the contract agreement with iBuild Spectrum, Inc. for the construction of the "City Hall/Public Library Project" by \$157,371 to accommodate door and window replacements and relocations at the existing City Hall building.

AND

4. Adopt a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT (GANN LIMIT) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2022 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2023, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE XIII B OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE CONSTITUTION

### 8.3 Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 Project List

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Councilmember Horne left the meeting at 4:16 p.m.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Conners, seconded by Councilmember Hatch, and carried unanimously on a 4-0 vote, with Councilmember Horne absent, to adopt a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 22-14 AND ADOPTING A LIST OF FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 PROJECTS PROPOSED TO RECEIVE FUNDING FROM THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017'S LOCAL STREETS AND ROADS FUNDING PROGRAM (ROAD MAINTENANCE AND REHABILITATION ACCOUNT), AS REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE SECTION 2034(A)(1), AND MAKING RELATED AUTHORIZATIONS

Councilmember Horne returned to the meeting at 4:20 p.m.

#### 8.4 Employee Positions, Compensation, and Benefits

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

City Attorney Patterson made a presentation regarding the City Manager's compensation.

A member of the public expressed concern that part-time positions would not receive the same benefits as full-time positions.

A member of the public inquired about the scheduling of morning and afternoon shifts.

City Manager Macon briefly responded to the public comments.

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:

1. Repeal the existing job classifications for the following City employee positions: Administrative Coordinator and Customer Service Representative.

AND

2. Approve a job classification for the following City employee position: Receptionist.

AND



3. Adopt a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 22-30, AND ESTABLISHING A COMPENSATION SCHEDULE AND BENEFITS FOR CITY EMPLOYEES

AND

4. Adopt a resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE AUTHORIZED CITY EMPLOYEE POSITIONS 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

8.5 Ad Hoc Anti-Hate Advisory Council Committee  
(agendized by Councilmember Horne)

City Manager Macon noted that this is not a staff-initiated item.

Councilmember Horne made a presentation.

City Manager Macon responded to comments from Mayor Moore.

Steven Marsh, resident and Senior Pastor at Geneva Presbyterian Church, spoke in support of the recommendation.

Marcy Sheinwold, resident, spoke in support of the recommendation and offered the assistance of the Foundation of Laguna Woods Village.

Rebeca Gilad, Democratic Club of Laguna Woods, spoke in support of the recommendation.

Rabbi Joe Mendelsohn, Reform Temple of Laguna Woods, spoke in support of the recommendation.

Ramesh Joshi, resident, spoke in support of the recommendation. Mr. Joshi provided the City Council with written comments that are included in the public record.

Robert Cunningham, resident, spoke in support of the recommendation

Pastor Willie Phillips, resident, spoke in support of the recommendation

Councilmembers discussed the item.

Mayor Moore called for a brief recess at 5:19 p.m.

The meeting was called back to order at 5:28 p.m.

Mayor Moore re-opened the public comment period.

Rabbi Joe Mendelsohn, Reform Temple of Laguna Woods, commented on the item.

Councilmember Hatch briefly responded to the public comments.

Rabbi Joe Mendelsohn, Reform Temple of Laguna Woods, commented on the item.

Rebeca Gilad, resident, commented on the item.

Steven Marsh, resident, commented on the item.

Councilmembers discussed the item.

A member of the public commented on the item.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff answered related questions.

Kathryn Freshley, resident, expressed concern with the City getting involved in Laguna Woods Village issues.

Councilmembers discussed the item.

Marcy Sheinwold, resident, commented on the item.

Mayor Moore briefly responded to the public comments.

Moved by Councilmember Hatch, seconded by Councilmember Tao, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to create an ad hoc exploratory group to explore the existence, causes, and potential solutions to feelings of hatred that may exist in Laguna Woods Village, consisting of Mayor Pro Tem Conners and Councilmember Horne, beginning immediately through September 30, 2022.

8.6 Compensation Equity  
(agendized by Mayor Moore)

By consensus, the City Council continued this item to the July 20, 2022 regular meeting.

8.7 Transparency of City of Laguna Woods  
(agendized by Mayor Moore)

By consensus, the City Council continued this item to the July 20, 2022 regular meeting.

## **IX. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

### **9.1 Coastal Greenbelt Authority**

Mayor Pro Tem Conners stated that there had been no meeting since the last meeting.

### **9.2 Orange County Fire Authority**

No 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 stated that there had been no meeting since the last meeting.

### **9.5 San Joaquin Hills Transportation Corridor Agency**

Mayor Pro Tem Conners provided a report.

### **9.6 South Orange County Watershed Management Area**

No report.

### **9.7 Other Comments and Reports**

Councilmember Horne reported on the California Senior Legislature.

## **X. CLOSED SESSION**

Prior to convening in closed session, an opportunity was provided for public comments on items appearing on the closed session agenda. No such public comments were received.

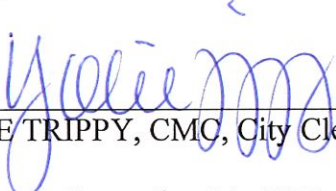
- 10.1 The City Council met in closed session under the authority of California Government Code Section 54957(b)(1) to consider the following: Public Employee Performance Evaluation – City Manager.

## **XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

The City Council reconvened in open session at 6:24 p.m. City Attorney Patterson stated that there was no reportable action.

## **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m. The next regular meeting will be at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20, 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 21, 2022



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CAROL MOORE, Mayor