

**CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS CALIFORNIA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING
March 22, 2023
2:00 P.M.
Laguna Woods City Hall
24264 El Toro Road
Laguna Woods, California 92637**

I. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Call to Order

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

1.2 Emergency Circumstances and Just Cause Teleconferencing – N/A

II. ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER: PRESENT: Horne, McCary, Moore, Hatch, Connors
 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

Councilmember Horne led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND CEREMONIAL MATTERS

4.1 American Red Cross Month – March 2023
(agendized by Councilmember Moore)

City Clerk Trippy read the proclamation.

Shishir Shah and David Engwall, American Red Cross of Orange County, made comments and responded to questions from councilmembers.

Councilmembers made comments.

The City Council took a brief recess at 2:14 p.m. to pose for photographs with the representatives from the American Red Cross of Orange County.

The City Council reconvened at 2:16 p.m.

4.2 City Hall/Public Library Project Update

City Manager Macon provided an update and answered related questions.

Councilmembers made comments.

Kathryn Freshley, resident, asked about conduits for electric vehicle charging.

City Manager Macon responded to Ms. Freshley's question.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS – None

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Hatch, seconded by Councilmember Moore, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve Consent Calendar items 6.1 – 6.8.

6.1 City Council Minutes

Approved the City Council meeting minutes for the regular meeting on February 15, 2023.

6.2 City Treasurer's Report

Received and filed the City Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2023.

6.3 Warrant Register

Approved the warrant register dated March 22, 2023 in the amount of \$682,533.66.

6.4 Investment of Financial Assets Policy

Adopted a resolution titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA
WOODS, CALIFORNIA, REVIEWING AND ADOPTING A
STATEMENT OF THE INVESTMENT POLICY, AND ADOPTING AN
INVESTMENT POLICY

6.5 Federal and State Disaster Financial Assistance

Adopted a resolution titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 20-07 AND MAKING DESIGNATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS RELATED TO APPLICATIONS FOR AND EXECUTION OF FEDERAL AND STATE DISASTER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

6.6 Federal and State Disaster Financial Assistance

Approved an agreement with Great Scott Tree Service, Inc. for tree pruning and removal services and authorized the City Manager to execute the agreement, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

6.7 General Plan Annual Report

Received and filed the General Plan Annual Report covering the 2022 calendar year.

6.8 City Hall Refurbishment & Safety Project: Phase 3

1. Approved final record plans and specifications reflecting completion of the “City Hall Refurbishment & Safety Project: Phase 3” as prepared by the project architect.

AND

2. Accepted project completion of the contract agreement with US Builders & Consultants for the “City Hall Refurbishment & Safety Project: Phase 3”.

AND

3. Release contract retention in the amount of \$7,907.72 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.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

VIII. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

8.1 2021-2029 General Plan Housing Element Update

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff answered related questions.

Moved by Councilmember Horne, seconded by Councilmember McCary, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to adopt a resolution titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING REVISIONS TO THE 2021-2029 GENERAL PLAN HOUSING ELEMENT, AND PROVIDING DIRECTION AND MAKING FINDINGS RELATED TO ADOPTION OF THE 2021-2029 GENERAL PLAN HOUSING ELEMENT PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE STATE LAW

8.2 City Hall Waste Drop-Off Program (Personal Medication and Home-Generated Sharps Waste Disposal)

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff answered related questions.

Moved by Councilmember Horne, seconded by Councilmember Moore, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to:

1. Authorize the City Manager to discontinue accepting unwanted personal medication at City Hall for subsequent disposal due to the implementation of California Senate Bill 212 (Jackson, Chapter 1004, Statutes of 2018), which established stewardship requirements for drug manufacturers and distributors.

AND

2. Reaffirm the City's commitment to accepting unwanted home-generated sharps at City Hall for subsequent disposal.

8.3 Southern California Association of Governments' 2023 General Assembly Delegate and Alternate Delegate

Mayor Connors introduced the item.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff answered related questions.

Moved by Councilmember Horne, seconded by Mayor Connors, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to appoint Councilmember Moore to serve as delegate and Councilmember McCary to serve as alternate at the Southern California Association of Governments' 2023 General Assembly.

8.4 Laguna Woods Civic Support Fund
(originally agendized by Mayor Pro Tem Hatch on January 18, 2023 and re-agendized by

Councilmember Moore)

Councilmember Moore introduced the item.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff answered related questions.

Kathryn Freshley, resident, spoke in support of holding the Laguna Woods Civic Support Fund in suspension rather than dissolving it.

The City Council reached consensus to retain the Laguna Woods Civic Support Fund in an inactive capacity. City Manager Macon advised that the City Council extend the City's formal involvement with the Laguna Woods Civic Support Fund through April 30, 2023 to allow time for the City Council to take related actions.

Moved by Councilmember Horne, seconded by Councilmember McCary, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to extend the City's formal involvement with the Laguna Woods Civic Support Fund through April 30, 2023 and direct the Mayor to provide written notice of such extension to the Laguna Woods Civic Support Fund.

8.5 Coastal Greenbelt Authority Appointments
(agendized by Councilmember Moore)

Mayor Conners introduced the item.

Councilmember Moore stated that she is unable to serve as the first alternate on the Coastal Greenbelt Authority Board of Directors.

Moved by Mayor Conners, seconded by Councilmember Horne, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to appoint Councilmember Horne as the first alternate and Mayor Conners as the second alternate on the Coastal Greenbelt Authority Board of Directors effective immediately through December 31, 2024.

The City Council took a brief recess at 3:46 p.m.

The City Council reconvened at 3:53 p.m.

8.6 Fiscal Years 2023-25 Budget and Work Plan & Fiscal Years 2023-34 Capital Improvement Program Development

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff answered related questions.

Kathryn Freshley, resident, commented on the City Hall Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project.

City Manager Macon responded to Ms. Freshley's comments.

Items for follow-up by staff include:

- The possibility of installing a Level 3, instead of Level 2, charging station, as part of the City Hall Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project
- Potential landscape improvements to the El Toro Road medians between Moulton Parkway and Calle Sonora
- Potential modification of the westbound El Toro Road sidewalk between Calle Sonora and Calle Corta to create a more linear path of pedestrian travel

IX. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

9.1 Coastal Greenbelt Authority

Councilmember McCary provided a report.

Mayor Connors made comments.

9.2 Orange County Fire Authority

Mayor Pro Tem Hatch provided a report and responded to questions from Councilmember Moore and Mayor Connors.

Councilmember McCary and Mayor Connors reported on attending the Orange County Fire Authority's Open House.

Mayor Pro Tem Hatch continued his report.

Councilmember McCary made comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Hatch made comments.

9.3 Orange County Library Advisory Board

Councilmember 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 Connors provided a report and responded to a question from Mayor Pro Tem Hatch.

9.6 South Orange County Watershed Management Area

Councilmember Moore stated that she would provide her report at the next meeting.

Mayor Conners made comments.

9.7 Liaisons to Community Bridge Builders

Councilmember Horne provided a report.

9.8 Other Comments and Reports


Councilmember Horne reported on the California Senior Legislature.

X. CLOSED SESSION – None

XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT – None


XII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:19 p.m. The next regular meeting will be at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.



YOLIE TRIPPY, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: April 19, 2023



CYNTHIA S. CONNERS, Mayor