

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the La Mesa City Council
Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California

The City Council minutes are prepared and ordered to correspond to the City Council Agenda. Agenda Items can be taken out of order during the meeting.

The Agenda Items were considered in the order presented.

Mayor Arapostathis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Parent; Councilmembers Alessio, Baber, and McWhirter.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: City Manager Garrett; City Attorney Sabine; City Clerk Wiegelman; Assistant City Manager Humora.

INVOCATION – MAYOR ARAPOSTATHIS

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION – CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Sabine announced that the Council unanimously directed staff to agendize reconsideration of the Appeal based on new information presented by the applicant in response to the appellant's supplemental appeal submitted on April 16, 2018; this direction was based upon the relatively short time frame between the submittal of the supplemental appeal and the April 24, 2018 appeal hearing date and to ensure all participants in the hearing have sufficient time to conduct reasonable diligence to produce said information.

ANNUAL ROTATION OF THE VICE MAYOR

Mayor Arapostathis thanked Councilmember Alessio for her service as Vice Mayor and announced Councilmember Parent would be the next Vice Mayor.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

There were no comments.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN REPORTS

The Mayor, Council and staff made announcements and reported on various events taking place in the City. No action was taken.

PRESENTATIONS

BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

Finance Director Waller-Bullock reported on the national, state and local economic outlook, state budget issues, the performance of the City's General Fund and Proposition L benchmarks for quarter ending June 30, 2018.

CITY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT

City Treasurer Vogt made a presentation regarding the investment earnings and the status of the investment portfolio for the quarter ending June 30, 2018.

ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – (TOTAL TIME – 15 MINUTES)

Brenda Hammond, resident, spoke regarding harassment.

Susan Wayne, resident, spoke regarding bike lanes.

CONFLICT DISCLOSURES

There were no conflict of interest disclosures.

CONSENT CALENDAR

(Items 1 through 7)

City Manager Garrett provided an overview of Consent Calendar Item 5, resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Fee Schedule for private commercial use of public recreation property.

A discussion ensued between Council and staff regarding the funding for Consent Calendar Item 7, resolution accepting Bid 19-05, the 2018 Citywide Pavement Resurfacing Project, and awarding a construction contract to Hazard Construction Company.

1. APPROVAL OF MOTION TO WAIVE THE READING OF THE TEXT OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AT THIS MEETING

Approved.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETINGS HELD TUESDAY, JULY 10, 2018 AND TUESDAY, JULY 24, 2018

Approved.

3. APPROVAL OF THE BUDGETS FOR COUNCILMEMBER BABER AS THE CITY'S DESIGNATED VOTING DELEGATE AND COUNCILMEMBER ALESSIO OR COUNCILMEMBER PARENT AS THE DESIGNATED ALTERNATE VOTING DELEGATES, TO ATTEND THE LEAGUE OF CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ON SEPTEMBER 12 – 14, 2018

Approved.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF INVESTMENT POLICY FOR THE CITY OF LA MESA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019

Accepted.

5. RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 FEE SCHEDULE FOR PRIVATE COMMERCIAL USE OF PUBLIC RECREATION PROPERTY

Resolution No. 2018-082 was adopted.

6. A. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2018-2020 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF LA MESA AND THE LA MESA CITY EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION

Resolution No. 2018-083 was adopted.

B. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED CITY OF LA MESA COMPENSATION PLANS FOR FY 2018-2019 AND FY 2019-2020 LISTING POSITIONS, SALARY RANGES/BANDS AND PAY STEPS

Resolution No. 2018-084 was adopted.

7. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID 19-05, FOR THE 2018 CITYWIDE PAVEMENT RESURFACING PROJECT, AND AWARDDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO HAZARD CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

Resolution No. 2018-085 was adopted.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Baber and seconded by Councilmember Alessio to approve Consent Calendar items 1 through 7.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Parent, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember McWhirter

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

ORDINANCE: SECOND READING

8. ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF TITLE 24 OF THE LA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE, RECLASSIFYING FROM ZONE R1 (URBAN RESIDENTIAL) TO ZONE R2 (MEDIUM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) THAT PROPERTY ADDRESSED AS 7574 SARANAC AVENUE PER ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT Z 16-01

City Attorney Sabine read the title of the Ordinance.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Alessio and seconded by Vice Mayor Parent to approve the second reading and adoption of Ordinance amending the Zoning Map of Title 24 of the La Mesa Municipal Code, reclassifying from Zone R1 to Zone R2 that property addressed as 7574 Saranac Avenue per Zoning Ordinance Amendment Z 16-01.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Parent, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember McWhirter

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed. Ordinance No. 2018-2860 was adopted.

STAFF REPORT

9. UPDATE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LIVE STREAMING OF CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS AND CONSIDERATION OF STREAMING ON FACEBOOK LIVE

Senior Management Analyst Dedmon provided an overview of the implementation of streaming City Council meetings live on the City's website and archiving meeting videos for on-demand viewing. Senior Management Analyst Dedmon and City Clerk Wiegelman gave a demonstration of the City's live streaming webpage and on-demand viewing features. Senior Management Analyst Dedmon stated that streaming City Council meetings live on Facebook is possible with the upgraded bandwidth and new live streaming software.

A discussion ensued between Council and staff regarding the features of the City's live streaming webpage and streaming live on Facebook.

ACTION: Motioned by Vice Mayor Parent and seconded by Mayor Arapostathis to direct staff to implement streaming of City Council meetings on Facebook Live in addition to the live streaming on the City's website.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Parent, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember McWhirter

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (3 MINUTE LIMIT)

The Mayor and Council reported on various outside boards, commissions and committee meetings they attended. No action was taken.

AB 1234 REPORTS (GC 53232.3(d))

There were no reports.

COUNCIL INITIATED

10. CONSIDERATION OF THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES RESOLUTIONS THAT WILL BE VOTED ON AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ON SEPTEMBER 12 – SEPTEMBER 14, 2018 – COUNCILMEMBER BABER

Councilmember Baber said as the Council’s voting delegate at the conference, he recommends supporting the League of California Cities resolution regarding a ballot measure that would further strengthen local democracy and authority and taking no position on the resolution supporting the repeal of preemption in California Food and Agriculture Code Section 1150.1 that prevents local governments from regulating pesticides.

A discussion ensued between Council regarding the City’s position on the League of California Cities resolutions, the intent of the resolutions, and state and local control on issues.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilmember Baber and seconded by Councilmember Alessio to, pending further clarification of the issues and the opinions of the League of California Cities policy committees, take no position on the two resolutions that will be voted on at the Annual Conference in Sacramento on September 12 – September 14, 2018.

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Parent, Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Baber, and Councilmember McWhirter.

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

There were no remarks.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Arapostathis adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Megan Wiegelman, CMC
City Clerk