# PARAMOUNT CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED MEETING JUNE 20, 2017

City of Paramount, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723

CALL TO ORDER:

The adjourned meeting of the Paramount City Council was called to order by Mayor Peggy Lemons at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 16400 Colorado Avenue,

Paramount, California.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS

Present: Councilmember Laurie Guillen

Councilmember Tom Hansen Councilmember Daryl Hofmeyer Vice Mayor Diane J. Martinez

Mayor Peggy Lemons

STAFF PRESENT:

John Moreno, City Manager

John E. Cavanaugh, City Attorney Kevin Chun, Assistant City Manager Christopher Cash, Public Works Director

David Johnson, Com. Serv. & Recreation Director

Karina Liu, Finance Director

Clyde Alexander, Assistant Finance Director

Angel Arredondo, Code Enforcement Division Head

Chris Callard, Public Information Officer

Lana Chikami, City Clerk

Steve Coumparoules, Management Analyst Marco Cuevas, Community Development Planner

Danny Elizarraras, Management Analyst

Antulio Garcia, Development Services Manager

Yecenia Guillen, Asst. Com. Serv. & Recreation Director

Margarita Gutierrez, Finance Supervisor Sarah Ho, Assistant Public Works Director

John King, Planning Manager

Adriana Lopez, Assistant Public Safety Director

Wendy Macias, Public Works Manager Jonathan Masannat, Management Analyst Patrick Matson, Human Resources Manager

Paul Slavich, Accountant

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

CF 10.3

The following individuals addressed the City Council regarding the negative impact of reducing operating hours at Weber Metals: Mr. Chip Baker, Mr. Pablo Ulloa, Mr. Jorge Vazquez, Jr., Mr. Yiosbeth Huerta, Mr. David Ikeler, and Mr. Cesar Espitia. Mr. Cesar Espitia also commented on

store/market trailers blocking the exits/entrances near Weber Metals. Ms. Sandra DeKay requested that illegal fireworks be addressed and proposed holding periodic weekend City Council meetings. And, the following individuals addressed the City Council regarding ongoing air quality issues: Mr. Reno Redula, Ms. Magdalena Guillen, Ms. Eleanor Mendoza, Mr. Jose De Leon, and Ms. Sara Patricia Vega Huezo.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

 ACCEPTANCE OF WORK Construction of the Paramount Park Futsal Court Project City Project No. 9663

It was moved by Councilmember Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Hansen to accept and approve the work performed by C.S. Legacy Construction, Inc., Pomona, California, for construction of the Paramount Park Futsal Court project and authorize payment of the remaining retention.

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hansen, Hofmeyer

Vice Mayor Martinez, Mayor Lemons

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

AWARD OF CONTRACT
 One (1) Hybrid 2WD
 Truck
 CF 82

It was moved by Councilmember Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Hansen to award the contract for the purchase of one (1) Hybrid 2WD truck vehicle to Harbor Chevrolet, in the amount of \$35,248.64, and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute the agreement. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hansen, Hofmeyer

Vice Mayor Martinez, Mayor Lemons

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

 ORAL REPORT Los Angeles County Measure H CF 69 Mr. Michael Castillo (Los Angeles County, Office of Homeless Initiative) gave a PowerPoint presentation and reported on Measure H and the County's goals and strategies to address homelessness.

There was a brief discussion regarding treatment for mental illness and Mr. Castillo provided information regarding the County's efforts to educate cities and organizations on helping the homeless.

4. Authorization to Re-Allocate FY 2017 Youth Group Funding Community Services & Recreation Director Johnson gave a report.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Hofmeyer to approve the re-allocation of \$10,000 from the Paramount Pirates Youth Football League in the FY 2017 Budget to the Paramount Girls Softball League and Paramount Youth Soccer Organization in the amount of \$5,000 for each league and direct the City Manager or his designee to place these funds in an escrow account for use by these leagues. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hansen, Hofmeyer

Vice Mayor Martinez, Mayor Lemons

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

# 5. BUDGET

- a) RESOLUTION NO. 17:018 Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2018 Annual Municipal Operating and Capital Improvement Budget CF 28.1
- b) RESOLUTION NO. 17:019 Approval of the Gann Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Year 2018 CF 47.16

Finance Director Liu reported on the Proposed FY 2018 Budget and provided an overview of the City's revenues and expenditures. Community Services & Recreation Director Johnson reviewed community promotion and organization funding and also discussed programs and upgrades in the Community Services & Recreation Department. Assistant Public Safety Director Lopez reported on services (including sworn and non-sworn) in the Public Safety Department. Public Works Director Cash provided an overview of operations in the Public Works Department and also reported on capital improvement projects and the City's water utility. Assistant City Manager Chun highlighted modernizing the City's IT infrastructure in the Administrative Services Department. He reviewed an election allocation in the City Manager's Office and discussed a proposed 3% Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) for full-time employees and a classification and compensation study. Additionally, Mr. Chun reported on the Community Development Department and highlighted operations in the Planning Division and the Building & Safety Division, and also commented on the City's Commercial Rehabilitation, Housing Rehabilitation (Home Improvement), and Economic Development Programs.

Lastly, Finance Director Liu provided an overview of the FY 2018 Successor Agency for the Paramount Redevelopment Agency and the FY 2018 Paramount Housing Authority's Budgets.

During the budget review, there was discussion regarding the college bus ridership, catch basin project, promoting the dog park, purchasing umbrellas for the Farmer's Market, and tracking sidewalk repairs for a possible correlation with spiked air quality readings. Discussion also ensued regarding part-time staff, front line staff, management staff, employee benefits, unions, COLA, and salary studies. After

this discussion, staff was directed to proceed with a classification and compensation study immediately (as included in the budget) and, following this study, City Council may then give consideration to making any retroactive salary adjustments and amending the budget.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Hofmeyer to adopt the budget as presented and read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 17:018, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2018 ANNUAL MUNICIPAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET, ASSIGNING THE FY 2017 SURPLUS, AMENDING THE AUTHORIZED POSITION LISTING AND SALARY SCHEDULE FOR CITY EMPLOYEES. AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADMINISTER SAID BUDGET AND MAKE SUCH CHANGES AS MAY BE NECESSARY DURING THE FISCAL YEAR TO MAINTAIN STANDARDS AND LEVELS OF SERVICES AND ACHIEVE THE INTENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL IN PROVIDING MUNICIPAL SERVICES FOR FY 2018." The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Hansen, Hofmeyer

Vice Mayor Martinez, Mayor Lemons

NOES: Councilmember Guillen

ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Vice Mayor Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Hofmeyer to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 17:019, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 IMPLEMENTING ARTICLE XIII-B OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 7900 ET. SEQ. OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE." The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Hansen, Hofmeyer

Vice Mayor Martinez, Mayor Lemons

NOES: Councilmember Guillen

ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

## **COMMENTS FROM STAFF**

There were none.

# **COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS**

Councilmember Guillen commented that items she brought before the City Council at the June 6, 2017 meeting for consideration have not been addressed. She advocated transparency, announced that there will be an AQMD meeting on July 13, 2017 in Diamond Bar, discussed pursuing a grant to fund air filters, and mentioned that the Public Health Department is conducting testing.

Councilmember Hofmeyer, Vice Mayor Martinez, and Mayor Lemons commended Finance Director Liu and staff for doing a great job. And, a brief discussion followed regarding Carlton Forge and the City's efforts.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor Lemons recessed the meeting at 7:04 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 7:10 p.m. to discuss the following:

Conference With Real Property Negotiator, John Moreno, City Manager (pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8) to instruct for price, terms, and conditions for the purchase, sale, exchange, or lease of subject property.

Property: Paramount Boulevard/Alondra Boulevard

Negotiating Party: City of Paramount and Arroyo Seco

Development

At 7:43 p.m., Mayor Lemons announced that no action was taken.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Lemons adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m. to a meeting on July 5, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

	/s/ Peggy Lemons	
	Peggy Lemons, Mayor	
ATTEST:		

/s/ Lana Chikami	
Lana Chikami, City Clerk	