

**PARAMOUNT CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED MEETING
JANUARY 28, 2020**

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 Tom Hansen at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS Present: Councilmember Laurie Guillen
Councilmember Peggy Lemons
Councilmember Brenda Olmos
Vice Mayor Daryl Hofmeyer
Mayor Tom Hansen

STAFF PRESENT: John Moreno, City Manager
John E. Cavanaugh, City Attorney
Andrew Vialpando, Assistant City Manager
Heidi Luce, City Clerk
John King, Assistant Planning Director
Sarah Ho, Assistant Public Works Director
David Johnson, Com. Serv. & Recreation Director
Karina Liu, Finance Director
Clyde Alexander, Assistant Finance Director
Rebecca Bojorquez, Management Analyst
Chris Callard, Public Information Officer
Steve Coumparoules, Management Analyst
Jaime De Guzman, Senior Accountant
Danny Elizarraras, Management Analyst
Yecenia Guillen, Asst. Com. Serv. & Rec. Director
Margarita Gutierrez, Finance Supervisor
Wendy Macias, Public Works Manager
Anthony Martinez, Management Analyst II
Daniel Martinez, Information Technology Analyst I
Jonathan Masannat, HR Manager
Reina Schaetzl, Associate Planner

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT UPDATES

CF 10.4 City Manager Moreno stated that the public comment updates from the January 14, 2020 meeting will be provided at the next City Council meeting on February 4, 2020.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

CF 10.3

The following individuals addressed the City Council and provided public comments: Mr. Julio Delgado, Mr. Alejandro Yanez, Ms. Andrea Crow, Ms. Sonia DeLeon and Mr. Jose DeLeon.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL
Senate Bill (SB) 998 -
Water Shutoff Protection
Act

Mayor Hansen requested that staff provide a report on this item. Finance Director Lam gave the report and presented a PowerPoint Presentation.

Discussion followed regarding how the updated policy compares to the prior policy.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Olmos to adopt the Water Shutoff Policy. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

OLD BUSINESS

2. APPROVAL
Vision, Mission, Values
& Strategic Outcomes

City Manager Moreno gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer to adopt the Vision, Mission, Values and Strategic Outcomes for the City of Paramount as outlined in the report. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

NEW BUSINESS

3. ORAL REPORT
2019 Law Enforcement
and Public Safety Report
CF 79.2
Captain David Sprengel and Deputy District Attorney Kelly Tatman presented a PowerPoint presentation.
Discussion followed regarding staffing levels and the crime statistics as they compare to population.
4. ORAL REPORT
2019 Resident
Satisfaction Survey
Report
CF 79
Public Safety Director Lopez presented a PowerPoint presentation.
5. APPROVAL
Request for Installation
of a Disabled Parking
Zone at 16614 Eureka
Avenue
CF 73.3
Assistant Public Works Director Ho gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.
It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer to approve a request for the installation of a disabled parking zone in front of 16614 Eureka Avenue. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
6. APPROVAL
Authorization to Execute
a Memorandum of
Understanding between
the City of Paramount
and the Institute for
Local Government for
participation in the
BOOST Program
CF 62.2
Assistant Public Works Director Ho gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.
It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Lemons to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Institute for Local Government to participate in the BOOST Program. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

7. RECEIVE AND FILE
 Senate Bill 50 Housing
 Update
 CF 58
- Assistant Planning Director King gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.
- It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer to receive and file the Senate Bill 50 Housing Update. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
 Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
 Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
8. RECEIVE AND FILE
 Gateway Cities COG
 Housing Proposal
 CF 37.8a
- City Manager Moreno provided an oral report on the Gateway Cities COG Housing proposal and reviewed a slide showing the property tax captured by each Gateway Cities COG jurisdiction.
- Discussion followed regarding the potential areas in the City of Paramount that could be considered for development if the proposal moves forward.
- It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Olmos to receive and file the Gateway Cities COG Housing Proposal. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
 Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
 Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
9. APPROVAL
 Proposed 2020 City
 Special Events and
 Holiday Events Schedule
 CF 39
- Community Services and Recreation Director Johnson gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.
- It was moved by Councilmember Olmos and seconded by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer to approve the proposed dates for the City's 2020 Special and Holiday Events. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmembers

Councilmember Guillen commented that she agrees that the Constitution provides rights under the First Amendment, but that does not include criminal threats and there are rules that apply.

Councilmember Olmos commented on her attendance at the California Contract Cities Association meeting held at the Water Replenishment District's (WRD) Albert Robles Center for Water Recycling and Environmental Learning. She noted that WRD Division 5 Director Vera Robles DeWitt requested the opportunity to give a presentation to the City of Paramount.

Councilmember Olmos also commented on her attendance at the League of California Cities New Mayors and Councilmembers Academy specifically noting presentations on the importance of social media training, providing clear direction to staff and using age population demographics to determine community needs.

Councilmember Olmos inquired about the effectiveness of the Pick it up Paramount program. Assistant Public Works Director Ho commented that staff will look into providing quantitative data related to the program. Public Safety Director Lopez commented that a volunteer group helped pick up trash during the recent Clutter Free event and collected approximately 19 bags of trash.

Councilmember Lemons commented that she and Councilmember Olmos met with representatives from Senator Gonzales' office to discuss providing assistance in securing property from the PUC and utility companies to open up parking in some neighborhoods.

Councilmember Lemons commented that she agrees with Councilmember Guillen's comments regarding First Amendment rights and it is important that people understand that free speech does not give the right to threaten others.

Mayor Hansen commented, as follow up to Councilmember Lemons' comment regarding the meeting with Senator Gonzales' office, that the City sent a letter to Southern California Edison regarding parking.

Staff

City Manager Moreno introduced the new City Clerk, Heidi Luce.

City Manager Moreno shared the recently completed video, produced in English and Spanish, regarding the City of Paramount's Water System.

City Manager Moreno recognized two members of IT staff for working late into the night last week to repair the City's computer system.

City Manager Moreno recognized Public Safety Director Lopez and Management Analyst Coumparoules for their help with the homeless count last week.

City Manager Moreno commented that is it never his intent to infringe on any individual's right to free speech but he has an obligation to protect the City's employees.

Public Safety Director Lopez commented as follow up to the Fireworks Survey previously presented that of the cities surveyed all but two of the cities allow Safe and Sane Fireworks.

Mayor Hansen commented that tonight's meeting will be adjourned in memory of Kobe and Gianna Bryant and the others killed in the tragic incident on Sunday morning.

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Hansen recessed the meeting at 7:14 p.m. to discuss the following matter in closed session:

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION:

City Manager

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)

The meeting reconvened in open session at 7:28 p.m.

City Attorney Cavanaugh reported that the City Council conducted a duly authorized closed session and there was no reportable action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Hansen adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. in memory of Kobe and Gianna Bryant and the others killed in the tragic incident on Sunday morning to a regular meeting on February 4, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Tom Hansen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Heidi Luce, City Clerk