

**PARAMOUNT CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED MEETING
APRIL 21, 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 via teleconference by Mayor Peggy Lemons at 5:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS Present: Councilmember Isabel Aguayo
Councilmember Laurie Guillen
Councilmember Vilma Cuellar Stallings
Vice Mayor Brenda Olmos
Mayor Peggy Lemons

STAFF PRESENT: John Moreno, City Manager
John E. Cavanaugh, City Attorney
Andrew Vialpando, Assistant City Manager
Heidi Luce, City Clerk
Adriana Figueroa, Public Works Director
David Johnson, Com. Serv. & Recreation Director
Danny Elizarraras, Management Analyst
Daniel Martinez, Information Technology Analyst I
Viridiana Reyes, Information Technology Specialist

PRESENTATIONS

1. **PROCLAMATION** Mayor Lemons, on behalf of the City Council,
Fair Housing Month proclaimed April as Fair Housing Month.

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT UPDATES

CF 10.4 City Manager Moreno responded to comments made by Mr. Alfredo Banuelos at the April 7, 2020 City Council meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

CF 10.3 The following individuals addressed the City Council via teleconference and provided public comments: Mr. Nelson Alvera, Mr. Alfredo Banuelos, Mr. Rudolfo Cortez, Ms. Maria Estrada, Ms. Alicia Haro, Mr. Ian Jameson, Mr. Christian Romero, Ms. Margaret Villa and Mr. Alejandro Yanez.

CONSENT CALENDAR

2. **RESOLUTION**
 NO.20:012
 Ordering the Annual
 Engineer's Report for
 Landscape Maintenance
 District No. 81-1
- It was moved by Vice Mayor Olmos and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 20:012, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT ORDERING THE ANNUAL ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 81-1." The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Guillen,
 Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Olmos;
 and Mayor Lemons
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None

NEW BUSINESS

3. **APPROVAL**
 Removal of City
 Commissioners
- City Manager Moreno gave the report.
- It was moved by Vice Mayor Olmos and seconded by Councilmember Aguayo to remove the following members from the Planning and Public Works Commissions. Planning Commission: Harlen Gilham, James Hyde and Jaime Lopez; Public Works Commission: Eileen Aparacio, Russ Hanson, Rosemary Mendez and Linda Timmons. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Guillen,
 Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Olmos;
 and Mayor Lemons
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None
4. **APPROVAL**
 Appointment of City
 Commissioners
- Mayor Lemons announced the Commission appointments as follows:
- Planning Commission:** Jaime Abrego, Luis Bautista, Ernie Esparza, George Gutierrez and Gordon Weisenburger

Public Works Commission: Alfredo Bañuelos, Gina Garcia, Alvin Parks, Rosemary Vasquez and Tony Warfield

Parks & Recreation Commission: Alicia Anderson, Ardavan Davari, Charlene Landry, Elizabeth Madrigal and Alejandro Maldonado.

Public Safety Commission: Marcelina “Marcie” Bridges, Annette C. Delgadillo, Russ Hanson, Rosemary Mendez and Dora Sanchez

Senior Services Commission: Virginia Chavez, Margarita Osuna, Elsa Padilla, Claudia Quinones and Patricia Winiecki

There being no objection, the appointments were confirmed.

5. APPROVAL
Mayor’s Appointments

Mayor Lemons made the agency representative and alternate representative appointments.

There being no objection, the appointments were confirmed.

6. RESOLUTION NO.
20:014
Approving the Joint
Exercise Agreement with
the Southeast Los
Angeles County
Workforce Development
Board

Community Services and Recreation Director Johnson gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation. He stated SELACO Executive Director Yolanda Castro is available by conference call if there are any questions regarding this item.

The following individuals addressed the City Council via teleconference and provided public comments in support of this item: Lynda Johnson (on behalf of Supervisor Janice Hahn), Blanca Pacheco (Mayor, City of Downey/SELACO Board Member); Rene Trevino (Mayor Pro Tem, City of Artesia); and Jeff Wood (Chair, SELACO Policy Board).

It was moved by Councilmember Cuellar Stallings and seconded by Vice Mayor Olmos to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 20:014:, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT APPROVING THE SIXTH AMENDED AND RESTATED JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT FOR THE SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES COUNTY WORKFORCE

DEVELOPMENT BOARD (SELACO WDB) FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.” The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Guillen, Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Olmos; and Mayor Lemons

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

7. APPROVAL
Request for Installation
of a Limited Time
Parking Zone at 8402
Somerset Boulevard

Public Works Director Figueroa gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

Vice Mayor Olmos inquired as to the hours of operation for the business requesting the limited time parking zone and suggested that the parking limitation be in line with the hours of operation.

It was moved by Councilmember Aguayo and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to approve the installation of a limited time parking zone at 8402 Somerset Boulevard in line with the hours of operation for the business. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Guillen, Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Olmos; and Mayor Lemons

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

8. APPROVAL
Award of Contract for the
Clearwater Building Roof
Replacement (City
Project No. 9074)

Public Works Director Figueroa gave the report.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Olmos and seconded by Councilmember Cuellar Stallings to award the contract for the Clearwater Building Roof Replacement to Dick Madsen Roofing in the amount of \$29,375 and authorize the Mayor or her designee to execute the agreement. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Guillen, Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Olmos; and Mayor Lemons

NOES: None

ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

9. APPROVAL
Authorization to
Purchase and Install
Security Equipment at
City Facilities

Public Works Director Figueroa gave the report.

It was moved by Councilmember Cuellar Stallings and seconded Councilmember Aguayo to authorize the purchase and installation of security equipment at City facilities by JMG Security Systems in the amount of \$52,388. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Guillen,
Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Olmos;
and Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

10. APPROVAL
Second Amendment to
the Joint Powers
Agreement with the
Southeast Area Animal
Control Authority

Public Safety Director Lopez gave the report. She stated that SEAACA Executive Director Denise Woodside is available by conference call if there are any questions regarding this item.

It was moved by Councilmember Guillen and seconded by Councilmember Aguayo to approve the Second Amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement with the Southeast Area Animal Control Authority, extending the expiration date through June 30, 2035. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Guillen,
Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Olmos;
and Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

11. RESOLUTION NO.
20:013
Affirming the Fiscal Year
2020-2021 Budget for
the Use of Funds
Provided by Road Repair
and Accountability Act of
2017 (SB1)

Public Works Director Figueroa gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Councilmember Aguayo and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 20:013, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT AFFIRMING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET FOR THE USE OF

FUNDS PROVIDED BY THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017 (SB 1).” The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Guillen,
Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Olmos;
and Mayor Lemons

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmembers

Councilmember Stallings thanked staff for the distribution of face coverings and expressed appreciation to School Board Member Yesenia Cuarenta for joining her at a recent distribution event. She also thanked the local businesses for supporting residents during this difficult time.

Councilmember Aguayo expressed appreciation to the staff members that are putting together the remote meetings and mask distribution events. She also reminded residents to support local restaurants and businesses.

Councilmember Guillen reminded residents to stay home and stay safe; and offered suggestions for ways to cope with this difficult situation. She commended Tony Vasquez for his efforts on the Paramount Pride scholarship program and encouraged residents to support the program. She also recognized Luis Bautista for his efforts in soliciting donations to help families in need. In response to the speakers that spoke regarding rent forgiveness, she commented that she hears the concern; and as the situation evolves, the City will continue to assess its options.

Vice Mayor Olmos thanked all the essential workers for supporting the community and expressed appreciation to staff for their efforts in. She also recognized Tony Vasquez for his efforts with the Paramount Pride Scholarship program and thanked Northgate Market for their matching donation.

Mayor Lemons inquired as to the number of face coverings that have been distributed. In response, City Manager Moreno commented that there have been approximately 12,000 face coverings distributed.

Mayor Lemons provided an update on the changes to SEAACA's service offerings during the pandemic noting that field service is still available.

Mayor Lemons thanked her colleagues and the local businesses for their outreach and support of the Paramount community.

Staff

City Manager Moreno thanked Mayor Lemons for suggesting that the City distribute face coverings to residents. He also provided an update on the City's rental assistance program and stated that the City is looking for ways to use its recent CDBG allocation toward additional rental assistance.

City Manager Moreno reported that since small cities were left out of the Federal CARES Act efforts are being made to advocate for including small cities in the next Federal relief package.

He also reported that in the coming weeks, staff will be working to develop a plan to help support the local business community in the aftermath of the pandemic.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Lemons adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m. to a meeting on May 5, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

/s/ Peggy Lemons
Peggy Lemons, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Heidi Luce
Heidi Luce, City Clerk