

**PARAMOUNT CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 13, 2022**

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

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Paramount City Council was called to order by Mayor Vilma Cuellar Stallings at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Paramount High School Cheer Captains Alexia Jimenez, Jizelle Urrea and Vialex Hernandez, led the pledge of allegiance.

INVOCATION: Pastor Beau Stephens, Chapel of Change, delivered the invocation.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS: Present: Councilmember Annette C. Delgadillo
Councilmember Peggy Lemons
Councilmember Brenda Olmos
Vice Mayor Isabel Aguayo
Mayor Vilma Cuellar Stallings

STAFF PRESENT: John E. Cavanaugh, City Attorney
Andrew Vialpando, Assistant City Manager
John Carver, Planning Director
Adriana Figueroa, Public Works Director
David Johnson, Community Services Director
Margarita Matson, Public Safety Director
Kim Sao, Finance Director
Rafael Casillas, City Engineer
Pauline Aguayo, Management Analyst
Sol Bejarano, Management Analyst
Rebecca Bojorquez, Management Analyst
Chris Callard, Public Information Officer
Steve Coumparoules, Community Preservation Mgr.
Anthony Gonzalez, IT Consultant
Yecenia Guillen, Assistant Community Serv. Director
Sarah Ho, Assistant Public Works Director
John King, Assistant Planning Director
Nicole Lopez, HR Manager
Heidi Luce, City Clerk
Wendy Macias, Public Works Manager
Anthony Martinez, Senior Management Analyst
Ivan Reyes, Associate Planner
Johnnie Rightmer, Building & Safety Manager
Eric Wosick, Assistant Public Safety Director

PRESENTATIONS

1. PRESENTATION
Mayor's Award of
Excellence
CF 39.7
Mayor Cuellar Stallings presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence to local artist Candace Galvan. Ms. Galvan was present to accept the award and expressed sincere appreciation for the recognition.
2. CERTIFICATES OF
RECOGNITION
Fall 2022 Special Events
Volunteers
CF 39.6
Mayor Cuellar Stallings, on behalf of the City Council, presented certificates of recognition to the following groups and organizations that volunteered at the City's various Fall Special Events: Paramount High School ASB, Boys Soccer, Boys Wrestling, Cheer, Corsairs, Girls Volleyball, Girls Wrestling, Interact Club, JTROC, Leo's Club, Mental Health Awareness Club, Raices Unidas Club; 1660 PHIT; Candy 4 Less; Kindred Hospital; LA Kings Iceland; Lions Club; Manta Paint; MUSA; Paramount Historical Society; Paramount Junior Athletic Association; Paramount Rotary Club; Youth Soccer Organization; Suitable Solutions; Uni-America Insurance; Volunteers of America, Weber Metals; Women's Club; World Energy; World Financial Group.
3. CERTIFICATES OF
RECOGNITION
Fall 2022 Halloween
Home Decorating
Contest Judges and
Winners
CF 39.6
Mayor Cuellar Stallings, on behalf of the City Council, presented certificates of recognition to the Halloween Home Decorating Contest judges and winners.

Judges: Margaret Mondragon, April Villanueva, Susie Yanez.

Winners: First Place Natalie Martinez; Second Place Jennifer Garcia, and Third Place Sirli Rizo.

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT UPDATES

- CF 10.4
Assistant City Manager Vialpando responded to comments made by Alejandro Yanez at the November 22, 2022 City Council meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- CF 10.3
Zuleimy Delgadillo with the California Department of Insurance addressed the City Council on behalf of Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Delgadillo to approve Consent Calendar Items 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

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| 4. APPROVAL OF
MINUTES
November 8 and
November 22, 2022 | Approved. |
| 5. APPROVAL
Register of Demands
CF 47.2 | Approved. |
| 6. AWARD OF
CONTRACT
Paramount Park
Community Center
Improvements – Door
Replacement
(City Project No. 9353)
CIP 9353 | Awarded the contract for the Paramount Park Community Center Improvements to - Door Replacement (CIP 9353) to Junior's Construction Inc., Compton, California, in the amount of \$57,472.14, and authorize the Mayor or her designee to execute the agreement. |
| 7. AWARD OF
CONTRACT
Gym Improvements –
Door Replacement (City
Project No. 9265)
CIP 9265 | Awarded the contract for Gym Improvements - Door Replacement (CIP 9265) to Junior's Construction Inc., Compton, California, in the amount of \$44,422.78, and authorize the Mayor or her designee to execute the agreement. |
| 8. APPROVAL
Affirming California
Department of Housing
and Community
Development
certification of the 6 th
Cycle (2021-2029) | Affirmed the California Department of Housing and Community Development Certification of the 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Paramount Housing Element as adopted by the City Council. |

Paramount Housing
Element as adopted by
the City Council
CF 102

9. RESOLUTION NO. Adopted.
22:052
Declaring a State of
Emergency and
Authorizing Use of
Remote
Teleconferencing
Provisions Pursuant to
Government Code
Section 54953
CF 10.5

OLD BUSINESS

10. PUBLIC HEARING
URGENCY
ORDINANCE NO. 1157
(Adoption)
CF 109
ZOTA 26, 24, 29
- Planning Director Carver gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.
- Mayor Cuellar Stallings opened the public hearing.
- There being no public comments, it was moved by Councilmember Olmos and seconded by Councilmember Lemons to close the public hearing. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Delgadillo, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Aguayo; and Mayor Cuellar Stallings
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Delgadillo to read by title only, waive further reading, and adopt Interim Urgency Ordinance No. 1157, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT ADOPTING AN INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE APPROVING ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 29, EXTENDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR THE INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE ADOPTED DECEMBER 14, 2021 AND

EXTENDED JANUARY 18, 2022 BY THE CITY COUNCIL, REVISING TITLE 17 OF THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE TO IMPLEMENT PROVISIONS OF SENATE BILL 9 REGARDING URBAN LOT SPLITS AND TWO-UNIT RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS ON PROPERTIES IN THE R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) ZONE IN THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT". The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

NEW BUSINESS

11. ORAL REPORT
Traffic Circle Installation
Update
CF 98

Public Works Director Figueroa and City Engineer Casillas gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation providing an update on the status of the City's Pilot Traffic Circle Installation at Madison Street including: traffic circulation, pedestrian and vehicle safety factors, community feedback and usefulness in reduction of street take-overs.

Brief discussion ensued concerning feedback received from the residents in the area; parking impacts, directed enforcement, and possible options for improving the design and effectiveness of the traffic circle.

Public Works Director Figueroa stated that staff will continue to monitor activity at the intersection from both a public safety and roadway design perspective. She also noted that an engineering analysis will be conducted at the end of the one-year pilot program so that staff can report back to City Council with a recommendation for a permanent installation.

12. APPROVAL
Fiscal Year 2021-2022
Annual Development
Impact Fee Report
including Previous Five-

Planning Director Carver gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

- Year Summary in
Compliance with AB 602
CF 30.8
- It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Vice Mayor Aguayo to approve the annual Development Impact Fee report for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 including the five-year summary, pursuant to California Government Code Sections 66001-66006. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Delgadillo, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Aguayo; and
and Mayor Cuellar Stallings
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None
13. RESOLUTION NO. 22:051
Amending the
Authorized Position
Listing for Part-Time
Employees to add
Special Projects
Manager
CF 76.17
CF 28.1
- Assistant City Manager Vialpando gave the report.
- It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Delgadillo to 1) authorize an increase to the FY 2022-23 Adopted Budget in an amount of \$64,434.80; and 2) read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 22:051, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT AMENDING THE AUTHORIZED POSITION LISTING FOR PART-TIME EMPLOYEES TO ADD SPECIAL PROJECTS MANAGER". The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Delgadillo, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Aguayo; and
and Mayor Cuellar Stallings
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None
14. AWARD OF
CONTRACT
Landscape Maintenance
Services
CF 43.1173
- Public Works Director Figueroa gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.
- It was moved by Councilmember Olmos and seconded by Councilmember Lemons that the City Council: 1) appropriate \$100,000 from the available general fund balance, and 2) authorize the award of contract for landscape maintenance services to Greenfield Landscaping & Maintenance, Inc., Hacienda Heights, California, in the amount of \$692,056.85 per year for a two-year term, and

authorize the Mayor or her designee to execute the agreement. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

15. APPROVAL
Proposed Renovation to
Paramount Elks
Memorial Circle at the
City Hall War Memorial
Plaza
CF 39.21

Community Services Director Johnson gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Olmos to approve a proposed renovation to the Elks Memorial Circle and direct staff to include design costs in the Midyear 2022-23 Budget recommendations. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

16. APPROVAL
2023 City Council
Meeting Schedule
CF 10.6

City Clerk Luce gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Olmos to approve the 2023 City Council meeting schedule with meetings being held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month with the exception of the following meetings which will be canceled January 10, 2023, July 11, 2023 and December 26, 2023. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY NEW BUSINESS

17. APPROVAL
Authorization to
Purchase Air Monitors
CF 31.20

Planning Director Carver gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Olmos that the City Council: 1) authorize the purchase of five (5) air monitors at a total cost of \$39,675.62; and 2) appropriate an additional \$39,675.62 from the available General Fund balance. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmembers

Councilmember Delgadillo reported on her attendance at the City's many holiday events including the Santa Train and thanked the staff and volunteers that made them possible. She noted that she also attended a MUSA breakfast and Pathways Light Up A Life fundraising event. Lastly, wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Councilmember Olmos also reported on her attendance at the City's many holiday events. She expressed appreciation to Speaker Rendon for attending the Tree Lighting and Supervisor Hahn for participating on the Santa Train. She noted that she attended the Total Western 50th Anniversary and congratulated them for this milestone. She also thanked the City on behalf of the Historical Society for providing Christmas trees to neighbors in need. She also provided a report on the discussions from the recent Homeless Ad Hoc Committee meeting. Lastly, she wished her colleagues, the community, and staff a very Happy Holidays.

Councilmember Lemons also reported on her attendance at the City's many holiday events and noted that the guests on this year's Santa Train were in awe of the event. For next year's tree lighting event, she suggested that the decorations in front of the stage be no higher than the stage so guests can see the entertainers. She reminded everyone about the Women's Club Toy drive and reported that SEAACA will hold their Santa Paws photo event on Saturday, December 17th. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays and thanked staff for their hard work all year.

Vice Mayor Aguayo reported on her attendance at the City's many holiday events and thanked the volunteers and staff that make the events possible. She also commented that the guests that participated on the Santa Train were in awe of it. Lastly, she wished residents a very Merry Christmas.

Mayor Cuellar Stallings reported on her attendance at the City's many holiday events. She also reported that she attended the swearing-in ceremony for Sheriff Luna, the Total Western 50th Anniversary celebration, the MUSA breakfast, and the Pathways Light Up A Life event. She reported that she did indeed go down the snow slide at the Snow Fest, as promised at the Tree Lighting. Lastly, she wished Vice Mayor Aguayo and Councilmember Delgadillo a Happy Birthday and wished everyone a blessed Merry Christmas, Happy Hannukah, Happy Kwanza, and a Happy New Year.

Staff

Assistant City Manager Vialpando commented that it was remarkable to see everyone come together through the holiday events – City Council, staff, residents, and non-residents alike. He shared the history of some long-term staff and volunteers who continue to work the events, some who have other full-time jobs. He also shared that the City started a new social media effort this year featuring before and after Santa Train photos and it was a huge success.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Cuellar Stallings adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m. to a meeting on January 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

/s/ Vilma Cuellar Stallings

Vilma Cuellar Stallings, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Heidi Luce

Heidi Luce, City Clerk

APPROVED January 24, 2023