

**PARAMOUNT CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
MAY 23, 2023**

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 Aguayo at 5:04 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Vice Mayor Delgadillo led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS:

<u>Present:</u>	Councilmember Peggy Lemons Councilmember Vilma Cuellar Stallings Vice Mayor Annette C. Delgadillo Mayor Isabel Aguayo
<u>Absent:</u>	Councilmember Brenda Olmos

It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Cuellar Stallings to excuse Councilmember Olmos's absence. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

STAFF PRESENT:

John Moreno, City Manager
John E. Cavanaugh, City Attorney
Elizabeth Martyn, Assistant City Attorney
Andrew Vialpando, Assistant City Manager
John Carver, Planning Director
Margarita Matson, Public Safety Director
Pauline Aguayo, Management Analyst
Clyde Alexander, Assistant Finance Director (remote)
Rebecca Bojorquez, Management Analyst
Chris Callard, Public Information Officer
Kevin Chun, Special Projects Manager
Steve Coumparoules, Community Preservation Mgr.
Danny Elizarraras, Management Analyst
Yecenia Guillen, Assistant Community Serv. Director
Sarah Ho, Assistant Public Works Director
Heidi Luce, City Clerk

Wendy Macias, Public Works Manager
Anthony Martinez, Finance Services Manager
Ivan Reyes, Associate Planner
Johnnie Rightmer, Building & Safety Manager
Celina Sanchez, Management Analyst
Melissa Torres, Communications Specialist

PRESENTATIONS

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| 1. | <p>PRESENTATIONS
EDUCATION MONTH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proclaiming June 2023 as Education Month • Recognition of PUSD Teachers of the Year • Recognition of PUSD Classified Employees and Staff of the Year <p>CF 39.7</p> | <p>Mayor Aguayo, on behalf of the City Council, proclaimed June as Education Month in the City of Paramount. She noted that Education Month is being proclaimed a little early because there are so many deserving teachers, employees, and students to be recognized.</p> <p>The City Council, joined by Paramount Unified School District Board Members Yesenia Cuarenta and Alicia Anderson recognized the Paramount Unified School District Teachers, Classified Employees and Support Services Staff members of the Year.</p> |
| 2. | <p>PROCLAMATION
National Building Safety Month</p> <p>CF 39.12</p> | <p>Mayor Aguayo, on behalf of the City Council proclaimed, May as National Building Safety Month.</p> |
| 3. | <p>VIDEOS
Paramount Public Works in Action</p> <p>CF 39.7</p> | <p>A video featuring the Public Works Department's pothole brigade in action was shown.</p> |

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT UPDATES

CF 10.4 There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

CF 10.3 There were none.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

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

4. APPROVAL
Applications for
Fireworks Permits –
2023
CF 75.2
Approved the applications to sell fireworks submitted
by the eight eligible community groups.
5. APPROVAL
Declaration of Surplus
Property
CF 82.5
Declared the items listed as surplus property and
authorized the Mayor or her designee to dispose of
the property by appropriate means.
6. APPROVAL
Amended YMCA
Agreement to Use City
Facilities for Youth
Program
CF 43.1075
Approved the amended YMCA Agreement to Use
City Facilities for Youth Programs.
7. AWARD OF
CONTRACT
City Hall Restroom
Renovation (City Project
No. 9373)
CIP 9373
Awarded the contract for the City Hall Restroom
Renovation to Junior's Construction, Inc., Compton,
CA in the amount of \$66,000, and authorized the
Mayor or her designee to execute the agreement.
8. APPROVAL
Continued Authorization
for Emergency Repairs
of the Clearwater
Building
CF 82
1) Appropriated an additional \$18,850 from the
available General Fund Balance; and 2) authorized
the payment for these emergency repairs at the
Clearwater Building to Junior's Construction, Inc.,
Compton, California, in the amount of \$83,699.

NEW BUSINESS

9. ORAL REPORT
Update on Al Fresco
Restaurant Patio
Program
CF 62.3
Special Projects Manager Chun gave the report and
presented a PowerPoint presentation providing an
update on the status of the "permanent" Al Fresco
program and the restaurants participating in the
program.

10. APPROVAL
Amendment to the
American Rescue Plan
Act (ARPA) Project
Expenditure Plan
CF 47.28
- Finance Services Manager Martinez gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.
- It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Cuellar Stallings to 1) approve the amendment of the ARPA Project Expenditure Plan, 2) reappropriate up to \$10 million in unused ARPA funds to reimburse the General Fund for Public Safety expenditures, and 3) allow the City Manager to incorporate the plan into the FY2023-24 Proposed Budget using General Fund money. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Lemons, Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Delgadillo; and Mayor Aguayo
NOES: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Olmos
ABSTAIN: None
11. APPROVAL
World Energy
Community Benefits
Agreement – Year One
Spending Plan
CF 43.1195
- Planning Director Carver gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.
- It was moved by Councilmember Cuellar Stallings and seconded by Vice Mayor Delgadillo to approve the year one spending plan for the World Energy Community Benefits Agreement. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Lemons, Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Delgadillo; and Mayor Aguayo
NOES: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Olmos
ABSTAIN: None
12. APPROVAL
Service Agreement with
Southwest Patrol, Inc for
Park Supervision and
Security Services
CF 43.1204
- Assistant Community Services Director Guillen gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.
- It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Vice Mayor Delgadillo to approve the service agreement with Southwest Patrol, Inc. for park supervision and security services. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

13. ORAL REPORT
Building and Safety
Update
CF 29

Building and Safety Manager Rightmer gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation providing an update on proactive services provided by the City's Building and Safety Department.

COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmembers

Councilmember Lemons reported on her attendance at the CCCA Annual Conference and provided an overview of the topics discussed which included public safety, homelessness, and innovation.

Councilmember Cuellar Stallings reported on her attendance at several community events including the Community Family Guidance Center benefit dinner, the Women's Club scholarship luncheon and Tacos with the Deputies. She also reported on her attendance at the CCCA Annual Conference noting that it was very informative. Lastly, she shared positive comments she received from a resident and asked for an update on the status of the new water well.

Vice Mayor Delgadillo reported on her attendance at the Women's Club scholarship luncheon and Tacos with the Deputies. She also reported on her attendance at the CCCA Annual Conference and provided an overview of the topics discussed. Lastly, she congratulated Councilmember Olmos for being sworn-in as the CCCA Secretary/Treasurer for the coming year, embarking on the path toward CCCA presidency.

Mayor Aguayo provided an update from the recent PUSD Ad Hoc committee meeting and the Eco Rapid Transit meeting. She commented on her attendance at several community events including the

Community Family Guidance Center benefit dinner, Tacos with the Deputies, and the Lincoln School teacher appreciation lunch. She also reported on her attendance at the CCCA Annual Conference and the highlight for her was the presentation on community safety. Lastly, she expressed appreciation to all of the departments for all they do for the community.

Staff

City Manager Moreno echoed Mayor Aguayo's appreciation for the talented staff. He commented on his attendance at the CCCA Annual Conference. With regard to the discussion on innovation in community safety, he noted that the City has already installed several Flock cameras and staff will look for innovative ways to better utilize the cameras. He reminded everyone that this week is Dine Paramount week noting that it is off to a great start. Lastly, he noted that City Hall and the City Yard will be closed on Monday, May 29th in observance of the Memorial Day holiday and the substation will be open with modified hours from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Aguayo adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m. to a meeting on June 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA.

/s/ Isabel Aguayo

Isabel Aguayo, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Heidi Luce

Heidi Luce, City Clerk

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