# MINUTES OF THE LAWNDALE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING March 18, 2019

# A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Pullen-Miles called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. in the City Hall council chamber, 14717 Burin Avenue, Lawndale, California.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Robert Pullen-Miles, Mayor Pro Tem James H. Osborne,

Councilmember Pat Kearney, Councilmember Daniel Reid,

Councilmember Bernadette Suarez

Other Participants: City Clerk Rhonda Hofmann Gorman, City Manager Stephen N.

Mandoki, City Attorney Tiffany J. Israel, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Lieutenant Dan Holguin, Community

Services Director Mike Estes, Assistant to the City

Manager/Human Resources Director Raylette Felton, Municipal Services Director Michael Reyes, Community Development Director Sean Moore, Assistant City Clerk Matthew Ceballos and

approximately 25 audience members

## B. <u>CEREMONIALS</u>

Mayor Pro Tem Osborne led the flag salute and Doris Hofmann provided the inspiration.

#### C. PRESENTATIONS

#### 1. Youth Day Parade Pirate Logo Artwork Contest Finalists

- Angie Aragon Ruiz (Jane Addams Middle School)
- Eric Trinh (Will Rogers Middle School)
- Ashlynn Wells (Jane Addams Middle School)

Mayor Pullen Miles presented the awards to the finalists:

Eric Trinh, Second Runner-up Angie Aragon Ruiz, Runner-up

Ashlynn Wells, 1st Place

Community Services Director Mike Estes spoke briefly about the awardees and thanked members of the Youth Day Parade committee.

#### D. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

Lieutenant Dan Holguin summarized recent law enforcement activities.

#### E. <u>ITEMS FROM CITY CLERK</u>

No items to report.

#### F. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Chuck Rundle, Resident, spoke about a left turn lane with temporary cameras on Hawthorne and Manhattan Beach Boulevard and the 100th year anniversary of Restoration Life Church.

Doris Hofmann, Resident, spoke about her agreement with the proposed opposition of Senate Bill 50.

Gary White, Resident, spoke about well-organized construction crew that did some maintenance near his house.

Pam London, Resident, spoke about dog waste incidents she encountered and the way staff manages the issue. Ms. London then went on to suggest hiring company to monitor Airbnb activities throughout the City and to assist code enforcement. She then went on to comment on a previous resident's code enforcement issue.

James Padilla, Resident, spoke about his permitting issues and code enforcement issues. Mr. Padilla asked the Council for a resolution for his issues.

## G. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

The City Council and Staff responded generally to the comments, but did not request placement of any issues on a future meeting agenda.

#### H. CONSENT CALENDAR

# 2. Senior Citizen Advisory Committee Appointments

Recommendation: that the City Council a) approve the Mayor's appointments by directing staff to insert the appointees' names in Section 1 of Resolution No. CC-1903-013, and b) that the City Council adopt the resolution as amended.

#### 3. Beautification Committee Appointments

Recommendation: that the City Council (a) approve the Mayor's appointments by directing staff to insert the appointees' names in Section 1 of Resolution No. CC-1903-014, and (b) that the City Council adopt the resolution as amended.

#### 4. Extension of Terms for Personnel Board Members

Recommendation: that the City Council adopts Resolution No. CC-1903-015, extending the terms of the current Personnel Board members to begin March 1, 2019 and end February 28, 2021.

#### 5. Planning Commission Appointment Rescinded

Recommendation: that the City Council adopts Resolution No. CC-1903-016, rescinding the appointment of Jeffery Dongo.

#### 6. Consideration of Claim for Damages

Recommendation: that the City Council reject the claim filed by Darren Holman and instruct staff to process the appropriate correspondence to the claimant.

#### 7. Accounts Payable Register

Recommendation: that the City Council adopts Resolution No. CC-1903-012, authorizing the payment of certain claims and demands in the amount of \$608,019.70.

- 8. <u>Minutes of the Lawndale City Council Regular Meeting March 4, 2019</u>
  Recommendation: that the City Council approve.
- 9. <u>Federally Funded Employment and Job Training South Bay Workforce Investment Board Activities Summary</u>

Recommendation: that the City Council receive and file the report.

A motion by Councilmember Reid to approve the consent calendar was seconded by Councilmember Kearney and carried by a vote of 5-0.

## I. ADMINISTRATION

10. Change Order for the Demolition of the Burin House and Expansion of the Community Center Parking Lot

Recommendation: that the City Council (a) approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$14,885 and (b) approve Change Order #2 in the amount of \$7,000 for a total project cost of \$150,150.

City Manager Stephen Mandoki reported on the proposed Change Orders.

A dialogue ensued between Council and Staff regarding the timeline of the project.

A motion by Mayor Pullen-Miles to approve the Change Order #1 in the amount of \$14,885 and approve Change Order #2 in the amount of \$7,000 for a total project cost of \$150,150 was seconded by Councilmember Suarez and carried by a vote of 5-0.

11. <u>Professional Service Agreement for Construction Inspection Services (Inglewood Avenue Improvement Project, Phase 3)</u>

Recommendation: that the City Council approve a professional services agreement with Murrow CM for a not-to-exceed maximum amount of \$104,700 plus a twenty percent (20%) contingency of \$21,000 from Proposition C funds for the construction/inspection services for this project.

City Manager Stephen Mandoki reported on the proposed professional services agreement with Murrow CM for Construction Inspection Services.

A motion by Councilmember Kearney to approve the a professional services agreement with Murrow CM for a not-to-exceed maximum amount of \$104,700 plus a twenty percent (20%) contingency of \$21,000 from Proposition C funds for the construction/inspection services for this project was seconded by Councilmember Reid and carried by a vote of 5-0.

12. <u>Award Contract for Site Assessment and Soil Investigation for Underground</u>
Storage Tanks

Recommendation: that the City Council (a) award the contract to Ninyo & Moore, with the lowest responsible fee amount of \$11,981, and a twenty (20%) percent contingency of \$2,396; and (b) appropriate \$14,377 of General Funds (Urban Development Action Grant) for this project.

City Manager Stephen Mandoki reported on the proposed contract with Ninyo & Moore for Site Assessment and Soil Investigation for Underground Storage Tanks.

Councilmember Kearney inquired why this issue was coming up now, City Manager Mandoki responded that there was no clear reason why the County Water Control Board was exploring this issue after so much time had passed.

A motion by Councilmember Kearney to award the contract to Ninyo & Moore, with the lowest responsible fee amount of \$11,981, and a twenty (20%) percent contingency of \$2,396; and (b) appropriate \$14,377 of General Funds (Urban Development Action Grant) for this project was seconded by Councilmember Suarez and carried by a vote of 5-0.

Association of Governments (SCAG) Annual Conference and General Assembly
Recommendation: that the City Council (a) determine who will attend the SCAG annual conference; (b) designate the City's voting delegate; (c) designate the City's voting alternate (if desired); and (d) allocate funding from account number 100-110-510.620 (City Council Travel/Meetings).

City Manager Stephen Mandoki reported on the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Annual Conference and General Assembly and the need for a voting delegate and attendee(s).

Mayor Pullen Miles opened it up to the Council to select a voting delegate and alternate.

The Council briefly deliberated on the selections. The Council came to a unanimous consensus that Mayor Pro Tem Osborne serve as the voting delegate and Councilmember Suarez serve as the alternate.

#### J. <u>CITY MANAGER'S REPORT</u>

No items to report.

## K. ITEMS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

# 14. Letter Opposing Senate Bill (SB) 50 – The More HOMES Act

Recommendation: that the City Council approve the letter in opposition to SB50 and authorize the City Council or a City Council designee to sign said letter.

Mayor Pro Tem Osborne reported on the proposed letter opposing Senate Bill (SB) 50.

Councilmember Suarez and Councilmember Reid commented on how the SB 50 adds to the loss of local control and supported the letter of opposition.

A motion by Councilmember Kearney to approve the letter in opposition to SB50 and authorize the City Council or a City Council designee to sign said letter was seconded by Councilmember Reid and carried by a vote of 5-0.

#### 15. Mayor/Councilmember Report of Attendance at Meetings and/or Events

Councilmember Reid attended the Boy Scout Pack 290's Blue and Gold award ceremony.

Councilmember Kearney attended the Boy Scout Pack 290's Blue and Gold award ceremony, Sherriff's Liability Trust Fund sub-committee meeting, City "Clean-up" day, and the Airforce Base tour.

Councilmember Suarez had nothing to report.

Councilmember Osborne attended the "State of the City" for Hawthorne.

Mayor Pullen Miles attended the Boy Scout Pack 290's Blue and Gold award ceremony, City Clean-up" day, and the Airforce base tour.

#### L. CLOSED SESSION

At 7:21 p.m. the City Council entered into closed session.

#### 16. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

The City Council will conduct a closed session, pursuant to Government Code sections 54956.9(d)(2) and (d)(3), because there is a significant exposure to litigation in one case.

# 17. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation

The City Council will conduct a closed session, pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4), because the City is considering whether to initiate litigation in one case.

At 7:50 p.m. the City Council entered back into open session.

City Attorney Tiffany Israel reported the City Council met in Closed Session to discuss the items listed on the Closed Session agenda. On item number 16, the City Council was updated on this item and there was no reportable action taken. On item number 17, the City Council unanimously voted to authorize the initiation of litigation against the owners of 4738 W. 153<sup>rd</sup> Place, Lawndale, CA 902601.

#### M. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

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Robert Pullen-Miles, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rhonda Hofmann Gorman, City Clerk

Approved: 4/1/19

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