



La Mesa City Council Minutes of a Regular Meeting

Date: November 14, 2023, 6:00 pm
Location: City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue
La Mesa, California

Present: Mayor Arapostathis
Vice Mayor Lothian
Councilmember Dillard
Councilmember Parent
Councilmember Shu

Staff: City Manager Humora
Assistant City Manager Lee
City Attorney Sabine
City Clerk Wiegelman

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The City Council minutes are prepared and ordered to correspond to the City Council Agenda. Agenda Items can be taken out of order during the meeting.

The Agenda Items were considered in the order presented.

Mayor Arapostathis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1.1 **INVOCATION - VICE MAYOR LOTHIAN**

1.2 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

2. **CITY MANAGER COMMENTS**

There were no comments.

3. **COMMUNITY BULLETIN REPORTS**

The Mayor, Council and staff made announcements and reported on various events taking place in the City. No action was taken.

4. **ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

5. PRESENTATIONS

5.1 BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

Finance Director Royales reported on the national, state and local economic outlook, sales tax revenues, and the performance of the City's General Fund for the quarter ending September 30, 2023.

5.2 CITY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT

City Treasurer Strabone made a presentation regarding the investment earnings for the quarter ending September 30, 2023.

5.3 POLICE CHIEF'S QUARTERLY OPERATIONS REPORT

Chief Sweeney presented the crime statistics for the quarter ending September 30, 2023, explained the statistics in the various crime categories and highlighted recently solved cases. Chief Sweeney reviewed the various community outreach activities that took place and recognized the new Police Department team members.

Following Council questions and comments, no action was taken.

5.4 PRESENTATION FROM OCEANA ON SINGLE USE PLASTICS

Melissa Morris, Oceana Field Representative, Southern California, provided a PowerPoint Presentation on single use plastics, highlighting the problem, how plastic ends up in the ocean, annual production of plastics, percentage of global plastic production by industrial sectors, chemicals associated with plastic found in human blood, urine and tissues, recycling as an inadequate solution for plastic, the possibility of life without plastic, and plastic ordinances adopted by cities in San Diego County.

Following Council questions and comments, no action was taken.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS – (TOTAL TIME – 15 MINUTES)

Brenda Hammond spoke regarding being a community member of all the east county cities.

Susan Roberts-Egley spoke regarding the Veterans East County Alliance (VECA) and the Veterans Awards Luncheon of Recognition scheduled for Thursday, November 30, 2023, at the rooftop of Jamul Casino from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Bonnie Baranoff spoke regarding the East Region Runaway & Homeless Youth Walk & Rally scheduled for Thursday, November 16, 2023, starting at the Little House Family Resource Services in El Cajon at 10:00 a.m. Bonnie Baranoff also encouraged the Council and community members to volunteer for the WeAllCount Annual Homeless Census scheduled for Thursday, January 25, 2024, from 4:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.

7. CONFLICT DISCLOSURES

Councilmember Parent announced he had a potential conflict of interest on Item 9.7 under Government Code Section 87100.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CONSENT CALENDAR

Bonnie Baranoff spoke on Consent Calendar Item 9.5.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

(Items 9.1 through 9.10)

*If a public hearing item is part of the Consent Calendar, the public hearing shall be deemed held if the item is not removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and possible action (Items 9.6 and 9.7).

Moved By Mayor Arapostathis
Seconded By Councilmember Parent

Approve Consent Calendar Items 9.1 through 9.10, except for Item 9.7.

For (5): Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Lothian, Councilmember Dillard, Councilmember Parent, and Councilmember Shu

Approved (5 to 0)

9.1 APPROVAL OF MOTION TO WAIVE THE READING OF THE TEXT OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AT THIS MEETING

Approve.

9.2 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023

Approve.

9.3 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023

Approve.

**9.4 RESOLUTIONS APPROVING THE AMENDED CITY OF LA MESA
COMPENSATION PLANS**

Adopt Resolutions.

- a. **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED CITY OF LA MESA
COMPENSATION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 LISTING
POSITIONS, SALARY RANGES/BANDS, AND PAY STEPS

INCLUDING NEW CLASSIFICATIONS AND ASSOCIATED
SALARY BANDS FOR DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES,
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER, AND RECORDS TECHNICIAN**

Resolution No. 2023-122

Adopt Resolution.

- b. **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED CITY OF LA MESA
COMPENSATION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024, INCLUDING POSITIONS
AFFECTED BY THE MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE**

Resolution No. 2023-123

Adopt Resolution.

**9.5 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE
REGIONAL TASK FORCE ON THE HOMELESS FISCAL YEAR 2023
SUPER NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY; ACCEPTING AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS IF AWARDED; AND APPOINTING THE CITY
MANAGER**

**OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL AGREEMENTS AND ANY
AMENDMENTS**

Resolution No. 2023-124

Adopt Resolution.

**9.6 *PROJECT 2023-2346 (MACDOUGALL) - A REQUEST TO
DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4987 COLINA DRIVE,
APN 494-120-34-00 AND 494-130-16-00 AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK
AND ESTABLISH A PROPERTY PRESERVATION (MILLS ACT)
AGREEMENT FOR THE SITE**

Adopt Resolutions.

- a. **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE CHARLOTTE AND JOHN E. KING HOUSE AT 4987 COLINA DRIVE, APN 494-120-34-00 AND 494-130-16-00 AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK**

Resolution No. 2023-125

Adopt Resolution.

- b. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A HISTORIC LANDMARK PROPERTY PRESERVATION AGREEMENT WITH THE OWNER OF THE HISTORIC LANDMARK KNOWN AS THE CHARLOTTE AND JOHN E. KING HOUSE LOCATED AT 4987 COLINA DRIVE, APN 494-120-34-00 AND 494-130-16-00**

Resolution No. 2023-126

Adopt Resolution.

9.8 RESOLUTIONS ACCEPTING BID 24-10, 2023 ANNUAL SLURRY PROJECT

Adopt Resolutions.

- a. **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE LOW BIDDER FOR BID 24-10 AND AWARDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE 2023 ANNUAL SLURRY PROJECT TO AMERICAN ASPHALT SOUTH, INC.**

Resolution No. 2023-127

Adopt Resolution.

- b. **RESOLUTION APPROVING A TASK ORDER TO DUDEK TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE 2023 ANNUAL SLURRY PROJECT**

Resolution No. 2023-128

Adopt Resolution.

9.9 RESOLUTIONS ACCEPTING BID 24-08, ROLANDO PARK RESTORATION PROJECT

Adopt Resolutions.

- a. **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE LOW BIDDER FOR BID 24-08 AND AWARDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR**

**ROLANDO PARK RESTORATION PROJECT TO FORDYCE
CONSTRUCTION, INC.**

Resolution No. 2023-129

Adopt Resolution.

- b. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF
\$124,414.12 FROM THE GENERAL FUND UNALLOCATED
RESERVES TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR
BID 24-08, ROLANDO PARK RESTORATION PROJECT**

Resolution No. 2023-130

Adopt Resolution.

- c. RESOLUTION APPROVING A TASK ORDER TO ARDURRA TO
PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION
SERVICES FOR THE ROLANDO BALLPARK RESTORATION
PROJECT**

Resolution No. 2023-131

Adopt Resolution.

- 9.10 RESOLUTION TO AWARD THE PURCHASE OF A 2023 FORD F-150
TO KEARNY MESA FORD AND KIA**

Resolution No. 2023-132

Adopt Resolution.

- 9.7 *PROJECT 2023-2284 (BOLDUC/YEH) - A REQUEST TO DESIGNATE
THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8406 HILLCREST AVENUE, APN 494-
434-01-00 AND 494-282-16-00 AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK AND
ESTABLISH A PROPERTY PRESERVATION (MILLS ACT)
AGREEMENT FOR THE SITE**

Moved By Mayor Arapostathis

Seconded By Councilmember Shu

Adopt Resolutions.

For (4): Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Lothian, Councilmember Dillard,
and Councilmember Shu

Abstain (1): Councilmember Parent

Approved (4 to 0)

- a. **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE CHESTER L. AND ANNE HARRITT/WILLIAM HENRY WHEELER/A.E. DENNSTEDT HOUSE AT 8406 HILLCREST AVENUE, APN 494-434-01-00 AND 494-282-16-00 AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK**

Resolution No. 2023-133

Adopt Resolution.

- b. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A HISTORIC LANDMARK PROPERTY PRESERVATION AGREEMENT WITH THE OWNERS OF THE HISTORIC LANDMARK KNOWN AS THE CHESTER L. AND ANNE HARRIT/WILLIAM HENRY WHEELER/A.E. DENNSTEDT HOUSE**

LOCATED AT 8406 HILLCREST AVENUE, APN 494-434-01-00 AND 494-282-16-00

Resolution No. 2023-134

Adopt Resolution.

10. ORDINANCE: FIRST READING

- 10.1 **CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA AMENDING SECTION 2.04.010 OF THE LA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADJUST MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL AND TREASURER COMPENSATION**

City Attorney Sabine read the title of the Ordinance.

Moved By Mayor Arapostathis

Seconded By Councilmember Parent

Approve the introduction and first reading of the Ordinance.

For (5): Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Lothian, Councilmember Dillard, Councilmember Parent, and Councilmember Shu

Approved (5 to 0)

11. STAFF REPORT

11.1 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF LA MESA COMPLETE STREETS INTEGRATED DESIGN MANUAL

Engineering Project Manager Kinnard introduced Jenny An, CR Associates, Senior Associate, who provided a PowerPoint presentation on the La Mesa Complete Streets Integrated Design Manual, highlighting the Complete Streets elements, street typologies, micromobility, intersection design elements, public outreach efforts, and how to use the manual and the intended results.

Council questions and comments ensued.

Resolution No. 2023-135

Moved By Mayor Arapostathis

Seconded By Councilmember Parent

Adopt Resolution adopting the Complete Streets Integrated Design Manual dated June 2023.

For (5): Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Lothian, Councilmember Dillard, Councilmember Parent, and Councilmember Shu

Approved (5 to 0)

12. COUNCIL INITIATED

12.1 CONSIDERATION OF DIRECTING STAFF TO PREPARE AN ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE PREVAILING WAGES FOR PRIVATE-SECTOR EMPLOYEES THAT ARE ENGAGED IN TRAFFIC CONTROL PROJECTS IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY - MAYOR ARAPOSTATHIS AND COUNCILMEMBER PARENT

Mayor Arapostathis and Councilmember Parent explained the purpose for requesting Council to direct staff to prepare an ordinance to require prevailing wages for private-sector employees engaged in traffic control projects in the public right-of-way.

Council questions and comments ensued.

Moved By Councilmember Parent

Seconded By Councilmember Dillard

Direct staff to prepare an ordinance to require prevailing wages for private-sector employees engaged in traffic control projects in the public right-of-way.

For (5): Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Lothian, Councilmember Dillard, Councilmember Parent, and Councilmember Shu

Approved (5 to 0)

13. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (3 MINUTE LIMIT)

The Mayor and Council reported on various outside boards, commissions and committee meetings they attended. No action was taken.

14. AB 1234 REPORTS (GC 53232.3 (d))

There were no reports.

15. CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

There were no remarks.

16. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:24 p.m., Mayor Arapostathis adjourned the meeting in honor and memory of Dr. Bill Pogue who recently passed away. Dr. Bill Pogue was a doctor, educator, and volunteer clown who brought smiles and cheer to patients and staff at Sharp Grossmont Hospital.

City Clerk