



**La Mesa City Council, La Mesa Public Financing Authority, and City of
La Mesa Successor Agency**

Meeting Minutes

Date: June 27, 2023, 6:00 p.m.
Location: City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue
La Mesa, California

Present: Mayor Arapostathis
Vice Mayor Parent
Councilmember Dillard
Councilmember Lothian
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 6:01 p.m.

1.1 INVOCATION - COUNCILMEMBER 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. PRESENTATION

5.1 PROCLAIMING JULY 2023 AS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

Mayor Arapostathis read the proclamation proclaiming July 2023 as Parks and Recreation Month.

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

Wendy Mihalic spoke regarding the update to the Climate Action Plan.

Alice Burger spoke in opposition to the proposed parole office at 8374-8376 Hercules Street.

7. CONFLICT DISCLOSURES

There were no conflict of interest disclosures.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public comments on Consent Calendar.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

(Items 9.1 through 9.11)

Moved by Mayor Arapostathis

Seconded by Councilmember Shu

Approve Consent Calendar Items 9.1 through 9.11.

Yes (5): Mayor Arapostathis, Vice Mayor Parent, Councilmember Dillard, Councilmember Lothian, 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 REGULAR MEETINGS HELD TUESDAY, MAY 9 AND MAY 23, 2023

Approve.

9.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023

Approve.

9.4 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AND THE LA MESA PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY SPECIAL MEETING HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023

Approve.

9.5 2023-2026 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF LA MESA AND THE HEARTLAND FIREFIGHTERS OF LA MESA LOCAL #4759

Adopt Resolutions.

- a. **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2023-2026 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF LA MESA AND THE HEARTLAND FIREFIGHTERS OF LA MESA LOCAL #4759**

Resolution No. 2023-075

Adopt Resolution.

- b. **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF LA MESA COMPENSATION PLANS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023-24, 2024-25, AND 2025-26 LISTING POSITIONS, SALARY RANGES/BANDS, AND PAY STEPS**

Resolution No. 2023-076

Adopt Resolution.

9.6 RESOLUTION APPROVING UPDATES TO THE CURRENT AMENDED AND RESTATED JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT (JPA) FOR HEARTLAND COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY AUTHORITY (HCFA)

Resolution No. 2023-077

Adopt Resolution.

9.7 RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR AN ORGANIC WASTE RECYCLING EDUCATION PROGRAM AT SCHOOLS WITHIN THE CITY OF LA MESA TO I LOVE A CLEAN SAN DIEGO

Resolution No. 2023-078

Adopt Resolution.

9.8 RESOLUTION ADOPTING A LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 FUNDED BY SB 1: THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017

Resolution No. 2023-079

Adopt Resolution.

9.9 RESOLUTION AMENDING SUBSECTION 12.28.030 (14.2) OF THE LA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE, ESTABLISHING EXCEPTIONS TO LA MESA BOULEVARD AS A THROUGH STREET

Resolution No. 2023-080

Adopt Resolution.

9.10 RESOLUTION TO AWARD RFQ 23-18 AUTHORIZING ENGIE SERVICES, U.S., TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE ENERGY PROGRAM TO IDENTIFY THE SAVINGS AND COSTS OF AN ENERGY SAVINGS PROGRAM

Resolution No. 2023-081

Adopt Resolution.

9.11 RESOLUTION TO AWARD BID 19-19 RENEWAL OPTION 4, TYPE B ASPHALT CONCRETE, TO SUPERIOR-READY MIX CONCRETE

Resolution No. 2023-082

Adopt Resolution.

10. STAFF REPORTS - CITY COUNCIL - PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY - SUCCESSOR AGENCY

10.1 CONSIDERATION OF THE BIENNIAL BUDGET FOR 2023-2025

City Manager Humora provided a brief overview of the biennial budget process and announced it was the first year the City was using the new OpenGov financial software to prepare the budget. City Manager Humora summarized the initiatives that would be implemented and those that would continue with the proposed budget, which included the expansion of the Homeless Outreach and Mobile Engagement (HOME) program, continued implementation of the Climate Action Plan, preparation of the environmental impact report for Waite Drive Park, completing the next phase of the Collier Park improvements, continuation of the Vision Zero policy, updating the strategic planning process, continued construction of

the 100% affordable housing project at 8181 Allison Avenue, and continued improvements to the private development process.

Finance Director Royales gave an overview of the 2023-2025 Preliminary Budget, highlighting the new budget system, the budget process, the Citywide revenue and expenditure funds, the General Fund revenues and expenditures, CalPERS Retirement contributions, the staffing changes reflected in the Preliminary Budget, the Council’s General Fund Reserve Policy, and the General Fund Reserves.

Council questions and comments ensued.

Moved by Mayor Arapostathis
Seconded by Councilmember Dillard

Adopt the 2023-2025 Preliminary Budget as proposed and direct staff to return in August with the 2023-2025 Final Budget.

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

Approved (5 to 0)

10.2 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION ADOPTING (1) THE APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023, AND (2) THE ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT FACTORS USED TO CALCULATE THE APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT

Finance Director Royales also provided background on the Appropriations Limit and discussed the various adjustment factors used in the computations.

Council questions and comments ensued.

Resolution No. 2023-083
Moved by Mayor Arapostathis
Seconded by Vice Mayor Parent

Adopt Resolution pursuant to Propositions 4 and 111, establishing the Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and selecting the growth in the new non-residential construction in the City of La Mesa, and the population growth in the City of La Mesa as the annual adjustment factors used to compute the Appropriations Limit.

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

Approved (5 to 0)

11. **HEARING**

11.1 **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RATE ADJUSTMENTS FOR EDCO DISPOSAL CORPORATION, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, TO BECOME EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023**

Notice of the hearing was given in accordance with legal requirements, and the hearing was held on the date and at the time specified in the notice.

Mayor Arapostathis opened the hearing for Item 11.1.

Director of Public Works/City Engineer Throne gave a report on the rate proposal from EDCO, the Proposition 218 notification process, and the number of protest letters received. Director of Public Works/City Engineer also discussed the final report from an independent accounting firm that reviewed the rate increase request.

Council questions and comments ensued.

Nina spoke in opposition to the rate adjustments for EDCO Disposal Corporation.

Aaron Landau spoke in support of EDCO Disposal Corporation and the services it provides to the residents of La Mesa.

Council questions and comments continued.

Moved by Mayor Arapostathis
Seconded by Vice Mayor Parent

Close the hearing.

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

Approved (5 to 0)

Resolution No. 2023-084

Moved by Mayor Arapostathis
Seconded by Vice Mayor Parent

Approve the two-year EDCO rates for refuse, recycling, and organic waste collection and adopt Resolution.

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

Approved (5 to 0)

12. 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.

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

Vice Mayor Parent reported on his trip to Sacramento on June 20, 2023, to testify at the Senate Housing Committee about legislation.

14. CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

There were no remarks.

15. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:56 p.m., Mayor Arapostathis adjourned the meeting in honor and memory of former Councilmember Guy McWhirter, a lifelong resident of La Mesa who truly loved and cared for the City of La Mesa and its residents.

City Clerk