

**CITY OF ESCONDIDO**  
**January 24, 2018**  
**3:30 P.M. Meeting Minutes**  
**Escondido City Council**

**THIS MEETING WAS CANCELLED.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**CLOSED SESSION: (COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/RRB)**

- I. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Government Code §54957.6)**
  - a. **Agency Negotiator:** Sheryl Bennett and Jeffrey Epp
  - Employee Organization:** Escondido Firefighters' Association
  - b. **Agency Negotiator:** Sheryl Bennett and Jeffrey Epp
  - Employee Organization:** Escondido Police Officers' Association
  
- II. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Government Code §54956.8)**
  - a. **Property:** 2245-2261 East Valley Parkway, APN 231-092-30
  - City Negotiator:** Jeffrey Epp, City Manager
  - Negotiating Parties:** Heritage K-8 Charter Schools
  - Under Negotiation:** Terms of Agreement

**ADJOURNMENT**

**CITY OF ESCONDIDO**  
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**4:30 P.M. Meeting Minutes**

**Escondido City Council**  
**and as Successor Agency to the CDC**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Escondido City Council was called to order at 4:31 p.m. on Wednesday, January 24, 2018 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Abed presiding.

**MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

Scott Smith led the Moment of Reflection.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Deputy Mayor Masson led the flag salute.

**ATTENDANCE:**

The following members were present: Councilmember Olga Diaz, Councilmember Ed Gallo, Deputy Mayor John Masson, Councilmember Michael Morasco, and Mayor Sam Abed. Quorum present.

Also present were: Jeffrey Epp, City Manager; Michael McGuinness, City Attorney; Bill Martin, Director of Community Services; Julie Procopio, Director of Engineering Services; Diane Halverson, City Clerk; and Jennifer Ekblad, Deputy City Clerk.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Melinda Santa Cruz, Escondido**, commented regarding immigration issues.

**Cherie Blickenstaff**, president of Escondido Jaycees, thanked the City Council for their support of the Christmas parade.

**Katherine Fromm, Escondido**, shared an article from the Times Advocate regarding Santa Clarita's contract with Library Systems & Services.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to approve the Consent Calendar items with the exception of items 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1. AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION, MAILING AND POSTING (COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/RRB)**
- 2. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER (Council/Successor Agency)**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting of January 10, 2018**

**4. REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PROCESS A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND REZONE TO ACCOMMODATE A NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT 2401 N. NUTMEG STREET (PHG 17-0030) -**

Request the City Council approve authorization to process a General Plan Amendment, Rezone, and land use development application at 2401 N. Nutmeg Street that would change the General Plan land use designation of the subject property from Office (O) to Urban III (up to 18 dwelling units per acre). (File No. 0830-20)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Community Development Department: Bill Martin)**

**5. UNCLASSIFIED SERVICE SCHEDULE AND SALARY PLANS -**

Request the City Council approve amending the Unclassified Clerical/Technical Salary Plans, the Unclassified Management Salary Bands, the Unclassified Service Schedule List, and the Part-Time Salary Plan. (File No. 0720-20)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Human Resources Department: Sheryl Bennett)**

A) RESOLUTION NO. 2018-05 B) RESOLUTION NO. 2018-06

C) RESOLUTION NO. 2018-07 D) RESOLUTION NO. 2018-08

Sheryl Bennett, Deputy City Manager/Administrative Services, and Jessica Perpetua, Human Resources Manager were available to answer questions.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to approve amending the Unclassified Clerical/Technical Salary Plans, the Unclassified Management Salary Bands, the Unclassified Service Schedule List, and the Part-Time Salary Plan and adopt Resolution No. 2018-05, Resolution No. 2018-06, Resolution No. 2018-07, Resolution No. 2018-08. Ayes: Abed, Diaz, Gallo, Masson. Noes: Morasco. Motion carried.

**6. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO AND THE ESCONDIDO FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION - SAFETY AND NON-SAFETY BARGAINING UNIT -**

Request the City Council approve the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Escondido and the Escondido Firefighters' Association, Safety and Non-Safety Bargaining Unit, for a three-year term commencing January 2, 2018 through December 31, 2020 and approve a budget adjustment to cover increased contract costs. The Fiscal Year 2017-18 General Operating Budget did not allocate funds for contract increases, but it is anticipated that budgetary savings at year end will cover these increased costs. The financial impact will be included in the Fiscal Year 2018-19 General Fund Operating Budget for the Fire Department. (File No. 0740-30)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Human Resources Department: Sheryl Bennett)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-09

Sheryl Bennett, Deputy City Manager/Administrative Services and Jessica Perpetua, Human Resources Manager, were available to answer questions.

**MOTION:** Moved by Deputy Mayor Masson and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to approve the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Escondido and the Escondido Firefighters' Association, Safety and Non-Safety Bargaining Unit, for a three-year term commencing January 2, 2018 through December 31, 2020 and approve a budget adjustment to cover increased contract costs and adopt Resolution No. 2018-09. Motion carried unanimously.

**7. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO AND THE ESCONDIDO POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION - SWORN PERSONNEL -**

Request the City Council approve the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Escondido and the Escondido Police Officers' Association, Sworn Personnel, for a three-year term commencing January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020 and approve a budget adjustment to cover increased contract costs. The Fiscal Year 2017-18 General Fund Operating Budget did not allocate funds for contract increases, but it is anticipated that budgetary savings at year end will cover these increased costs. The financial impact will be included in the Fiscal Year 2018-19 General Fund Operating Budget for the Police Department. (File No. 0740-30)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Human Resources Department: Sheryl Bennett)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-10

Sheryl Bennett, Deputy City Manager/Administrative Services and Jessica Perpetua, Human Resources Manager, were available to answer questions.

**MOTION:** Moved by Deputy Mayor Masson and seconded by Councilmember Morasco approve the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Escondido and the Escondido Police Officers' Association, Sworn Personnel, for a three-year term commencing January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020 and approve a budget adjustment to cover increased contract costs and adopt Resolution No. 2018-10. Motion carried unanimously.

**8. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2018-13 APPROVING RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE (ROPS 18-19) FOR JULY 2018 THRU JUNE 2019 -**

Request the City Council approve the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 18-19) so that the Successor Agency may continue to make payments due for enforceable obligations. (File No. 0440-35)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Finance Department: Sheryl Bennett)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-13

Sheryl Bennett, Deputy City Manager/Administrative Services and Christina Holmes, Revenue Manager, were available to answer questions.

**Mike Simonson, Escondido,** requested this item be continued for further discussion.

**Michael Taylor, Escondido,** commented regarding potential impacts to the school districts.

**MOTION:** Moved by Deputy Mayor Masson and seconded by Councilmember Gallo to approve the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 18-19) so that the Successor Agency may continue to make payments due for enforceable obligations and to adopt Resolution No. 2018-13. Motion carried unanimously.

**9. FIFTH AMENDMENT TO COMMERCIAL PROPERTY PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND JOINT ESCROW INSTRUCTIONS, AND FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE DEMOLITION AGREEMENT: 700 WEST GRAND AVENUE -**

Request the City Council approve authorizing the Real Property Manager and the City Clerk to execute a Fifth Amendment to the Commercial Property Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions for the sale of 700 West Grand Avenue to Lyon-Integral Escondido Gateway, LLC and a First Amendment to the Demolition Agreement. (File No. 0690-20)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Engineering Services Department: Julie Procopio)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-16

Mayor Abed and Deputy Mayor Masson abstained and left the dais.

Vince McCaw, Real Property Manager, was available to answer questions.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Morasco and seconded by Councilmember Gallo to approve authorizing the Real Property Manager and the City Clerk to execute a Fifth Amendment to the Commercial Property Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions for the sale of 700 West Grand Avenue to Lyon-Integral Escondido Gateway, LLC and a First Amendment to the Demolition Agreement and adopt Resolution No. 2018-16. Ayes: Gallo, Morasco. Noes: Diaz. Abstained: Abed and Masson. Motion carried.

**10. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH INFOSEND TO PROVIDE PRINTING AND MAILING SERVICES FOR UTILITY BILLING ACCOUNTS -**

Request the City Council approve authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a three (3) year Public Service Agreement with InfoSend effective January 25, 2018 through January 26, 2021, with three (3) additional one-year renewal options. (File No. 0600-10 [A-3237])

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Finance Department: Sheryl Bennett)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-18

**CONSENT – RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES (COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/RRB)**

The following Resolutions and Ordinances were heard and acted upon by the City Council/Successor Agency/RRB at a previous City Council/Successor Agency/Mobilehome Rent Review meeting. (The title of Ordinances listed on the Consent Calendar are deemed to have been read and further reading waived.)

**11. EXTENSION AND REVISION OF A TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP, MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN, DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT, PREZONE, AND ANNEXATION - NORTH AVENUE ESTATES PROJECT PROPOSAL (SUB 17-0007, PHG 17-0034, AND ENV 17-0011) -**

Approved on January 10, 2018 with a vote of 4/0/1, Masson abstained (File No. 0800-10)

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-02 (Second Reading and Adoption)

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**12. CHANGE OF USE TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 401 NORTH SPRUCE STREET -**

Request the City Council conduct a public hearing; consider citizen input on the proposed change of use to the property located on 401 North Spruce Street; and approve the demolition of the facility. (File No. 0870-11)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Community Development Department: Bill Martin)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-12

Karen Youel, Housing and Neighborhood Services Manager, presented the staff report utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

Mayor Abed opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak on this issue in any way. No one asked to be heard; therefore, he closed the public hearing.

**MOTION:** Moved by Deputy Mayor Masson and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to approve the demolition of the facility located on 401 North Spruce Street and adopt Resolution No. 2018-12. Motion carried unanimously.

## CURRENT BUSINESS

**13. APPROVE A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT AND CONTRACT CHANGE FOR MULTI-NEIGHBORHOOD STREET LIGHTING PROJECT -**

Request the City Council approve a budget adjustment and a contract change order to HMS Construction, Inc. to add lighting along the Escondido Creek trail for the Multi-Neighborhood Street Lighting Project. (File No. 0430-80)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Engineering Services Department: Julie Procopio)**

Julie Procopio, Director of Engineering Services, presented the staff report utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to approve a budget adjustment and a contract change order to HMS Construction, Inc. to add lighting along the Escondido Creek trail for the Multi-Neighborhood Street Lighting Project. Motion carried unanimously.

**14. 2017-2018 CITY COUNCIL ACTION PLAN UPDATE -**

Request the City Council review the 2017-2018 City Council Action Plan and provide input regarding the updated status of the specified strategies discussed. (File No. 0610-95)

Staff Recommendation: **Receive and File (City Manager's Office: William Wolfe)**

William Wolfe, Deputy City Manager, and Jay Petrek, Assistant City Manager, presented the staff report utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

**COUNCIL ACTION:** Received and filed.

**15. DALEY RANCH CONSERVATION BANK CREDIT PRICING STRATEGY -**

Request the City Council approve adjusting the Daley Ranch Conservation Bank credit prices to 10 percent below the current regional levels for the various habitat types available to purchase as off-site mitigation for public and private development projects; amend the Daley Ranch Conservation Bank Credit Purchase Agreement & Acknowledgement standard terms and conditions to require credit purchasers who re-sell their credits on the open market to evenly split with the City any profit gained from the sale, and to require payment of credit purchases within 90 days of City's execution of the purchase agreement; establish a minimum balance of credits for habitat to be reserved solely for future municipal projects allowing for the sale of all remaining credits on the open market; and consider a 20 percent fee reduction for three (3) pending credit purchase requests seeking a total of 10.79 habitat credits. (File No. 0230-41)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (City Manager's Office: Jay Petrek)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-14

Jay Petrek, Assistant City Manager, presented the staff report utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

**Scott Graves, Escondido,** shared concerns regarding a large increase in fees, requested the credit pricing be reviewed more frequently, and spoke in opposition to offering a 20% discount to current inactive developments.

**Rick Paul, Escondido,** shared information regarding impacts of the drought and beetles on the woodland oaks.

**MOTION:** Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to approve adjusting the Daley Ranch Conservation Bank credit prices to 10 percent below the current regional levels for the various habitat types available to purchase as off-site mitigation for public and private development projects; amend the Daley Ranch Conservation Bank Credit Purchase Agreement & Acknowledgement standard terms and conditions to require credit purchasers who re-sell their credits on the open market to split 75/25 with the City any profit gained from the sale, and to require payment of credit purchases within 90 days of City's execution of the purchase agreement; establish a minimum balance of credits for habitat to be reserved solely for future municipal projects allowing for the sale of all remaining credits on the open market; require the purchaser to give the City the first right to repurchase any credits purchased from the City; and approve a 20 percent fee reduction for four (4) pending credit purchase requests seeking a total of 12.11 habitat credits with thirty days to pay; and adopt Resolution 2018-14. Motion carried unanimously.

## **FUTURE AGENDA**

### **16. FUTURE AGENDA -**

The purpose of this item is to identify issues presently known to staff or which members of the City Council wish to place on an upcoming City Council agenda. Council comment on these future agenda items is limited by California Government Code Section 54954.2 to clarifying questions, brief announcements, or requests for factual information in connection with an item when it is discussed.

Staff Recommendation: **None (City Clerk's Office: Diane Halverson)**

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS' SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

Deputy Mayor Masson attended a League of California Cities meetings, committee voted to oppose SB 643, voted to support AB 1775, and discussed impacts of SB 35.

Councilmember Gallo attended the Regional Solid Waste Authority (RSWA) meeting and requested a website link to RSWA with information on recycling on the City's website; reported North County Transit District Board elected Rebecca Jones as chair and John Aguilera as vice chair.

Councilmember Diaz attended a San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority meeting, board discussed impacts of pensions on the budget and determined agencies would not be exposed to more than a 5 percent increase annually.

Mayor Abed reported SANDAG is continuing the process of hiring an executive director by receiving community input and the public may apply to be appointed to an audit committee.

## **CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT**

The most current information from the City Manager regarding Economic Development, Capital Improvement Projects, Public Safety and Community Development.

- **WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT -**

## **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

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DEPUTY CITY CLERK