

November 18, 2020
5:00 p.m. Meeting
Mitchell Room
Escondido City Council

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Escondido City Council was called to order at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 in the Mitchell Room at City Hall with Mayor McNamara presiding.

ATTENDANCE:

The following members were present: Councilmember Olga Diaz, Deputy Mayor Consuelo Martinez, Councilmember Michael Morasco, and Mayor Paul McNamara. Quorum present.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

CLOSED SESSION: (COUNCIL/RRB)

I. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-- EXISTING LITIGATION (Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1))

- a. **Case Name:** Angelique Arenas v. City of Escondido
Case No.: San Diego Superior Court No. 37-2019-00037327-CU-PA-NC
- b. **Case Name:** KB Home Coastal, Inc. v. City of Escondido
Case No.: San Diego Superior Court No. 37-2020-00025968-CU-WM-NC
- c. **Matter Name:** North County Environmental Resources Project
Decision of Director of Planning & Development Services


Matter Number: County of San Diego, Planning & Development Services
PDS 2008-3910-0808012 (E.R. No.)
PDS 2008-3500-08-015 (Site Plan No.)
Hilltop Group, Inc. (Permittee)

II. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – INITIATION OF LITIGATION (Government Code § 54956.9(d)(4))


- a. One Matter

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McNamara adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

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CITY CLERK
Escondido City Council Minutes

**November 18, 2020
6:00 P.M. Meeting**

Escondido City Council

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Escondido City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on November 18, 2020 via Video Conference and in the City Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor McNamara presiding.

MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Zack Beck, City Clerk led the Moment of Reflection

FLAG SALUTE

Paul McNamara, Mayor, led the Flag Salute

ATTENDANCE

The following members were present: Councilmember Olga Diaz, Deputy Mayor Consuelo Martinez, Councilmember Michael Morasco, and Mayor Paul McNamara. Quorum present.

Also present were: Jeffrey Epp, City Manager; Michael McGuinness, City Attorney; Mike Strong, Director of Community Development; Julie Procopio, Director of Engineering Services; and Zack Beck, City Clerk.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Matter Name: North County Environmental Resources Project
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MOTION: Approved 4-0 to ratify approval.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Nancy Burian - Expressed concern regarding fencing in her neighborhood.

Gloria Conejo - Requested the Council adopt term limits and rank-choice voting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Morasco and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to approve all consent calendar items except items 4, 9 and 13. Approved unanimously.

- 1. AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION, MAILING AND POSTING (COUNCIL/RRB)**
- 2. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER (Council)**

Request the City Council approve the City Council and Housing Successor Agency warrant numbers:

- 346808 – 347008 dated October 21, 2020

- 347009 – 347232 dated October 28, 2020
- 347233 – 347417 dated November 4, 2020

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Finance Department: Christina Holmes)**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meetings of October 21, 2020 and October 28, 2020

4. BID AWARD FOR THE LED STREET LIGHT RETROFIT PROJECT - PHASE 2 -

Request the City Council approve rejecting the bid protest submitted by HMS Construction, awarding the bid to Baker Electric Inc. determined to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Public Improvement Agreement in the amount of \$257,644 for the Multi Neighborhood Street Light L.E.D. Retrofit Project – Phase 2. (File Code No. 0470-32, A-3346)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-158

Ed Gallo - Requested the City install new lights on Harding and Rose.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Deputy Mayor Martinez to approve rejecting the bid protest submitted by HMS Construction, awarding the bid to Baker Electric Inc. determined to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Public Improvement Agreement in the amount of \$257,644 for the Multi Neighborhood Street Light L.E.D. Retrofit Project – Phase 2. Approved unanimously.

5. ANNEXING PROPERTY TO CITYWIDE SERVICES COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT 2020-1 -

Request the City Council approve annexing two properties with proposed projects containing 21-units into the Citywide Services CFD 2020-1. Each property owner has provided a signed form consenting to the annexation. (File Code No. 0850-20)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-160

6. NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR PRADERA (TRACT 889, TRACT 894, SUB13-0033, SUB13-0011) NORTH OF LEHNER AVENUE TO STANLEY AVENUE, EAST OF ASH STREET TO CONWAY DRIVE -

Request the City Council approve the public improvements and authorize staff to file a Notice of Completion for the Pradera Tract 889, Tract 894, SUB13-0003, SUB13-0010, and SUB13-0011. (File Code No. 0600-95)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-157

7. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO SDG&E FOR DESIGN AND MATERIALS NECESSARY FOR RELOCATION OF UTILITIES FOR THE CITRACADO PARKWAY EXTENSION PROJECT –

Request the City Council approve authorizing additional payment in the amount of \$174,300 as required by the Electric Transmission Facility Relocation Agreement with SDG&E for design and pre-order of materials necessary to relocate transmission electric lines in conflict with the upcoming Citracado Parkway Extension Project. (File Code No. 0680-20)

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

8. REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PROCESS AN ANNEXATION AND GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT OF FIVE PARCELS ON NORTH IRIS LANE -

Request the City Council provide direction to initiate an application for an Annexation and General Plan Amendment and how it affects a site containing five parcels totaling 7.7 gross acres, and reflects an intent to process a residential subdivision on this site. (File Code No. 0850-20)

Staff Recommendation: **Provide Direction (Community Development Department: Mike Strong)**

9. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT STUDY - AWARD OF CONTRACT TO HARRIS & ASSOCIATES FOR THE PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE AND EAST VALLEY SPECIFIC PLAN -

Request the City Council approve authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement for professional services with Harris & Associates in a not-to-exceed amount of \$249,775 for the preparation of an EIR to support the HCIS. (File Code No. 0600-11)

Staff Recommendation: **Provide Direction (Community Development Department: Mike Strong)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-165

MOTION: Moved by Deputy Mayor Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to approve authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement for professional services with Harris & Associates in a not-to-exceed amount of \$249,775 for the preparation of an EIR to support the HCIS. Approved unanimously.

10. FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSULTING AGREEMENT FOR THE LAKE WOHLFORD DAM REPLACEMENT PROJECT -

Request the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a Fourth Amendment to the Consulting Agreement with Black & Veatch Corporation for the Lake Wohlford Dam Replacement Project. (File Code No. 0600-10, A-3060)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Utilities Department: Christopher McKinney)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-162

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES (COUNCIL/RRB)

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

11. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE REDUCING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS AND RELATED CAMPAIGN CONTROL AMENDMENTS -

Approved on October 21, 2020 with a vote of 3/1 (Morasco - No)

ORDINANCE 2020-27 (Second Reading and Adoption)

12. ORDINANCE AMENDING ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE 2, CITY COUNCIL, SECTION 2-24 FOR THE SELECTION OF A DEPUTY MAYOR -

Approved on October 21, 2020 with a vote of 4/0

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-28 (Second Reading and Adoption)

13. ORDINANCE TO AMEND ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 16, ARTICLE 3, BUSINESSES LICENSED FOR REVENUE AND REGULATION, BY ADDING DIVISION 6, TOBACCO RETAILER LICENSE -

Approved on October 28, 2020 with a vote of 4/0

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-29R (Second Reading and Adoption)

Mary Anne Dijak - Expressed support for the item.

MOTION: Moved by Deputy Mayor Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to adopt Ordinance No. 2020-29R. Approved unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

14. ADOPTION OF PROPOSED ADJUSTMENTS TO CITY USER FEES -

Request the City Council approve proposed changes to City User Fees. (File Code No. 0600-10)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Finance Department: Christina Holmes)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-88

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to approve proposed changes to City User Fees. Approved unanimously.

15. FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 HUD ANNUAL ACTION PLAN SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT -

Request the City Council approve to amend the US Housing & Urban Development FY 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan authorizing new Community Development Block Grant activities. (File Code No. 0870-11)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Community Development Department: Mike Strong)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-154

Kelly Capen Douglas - Expressed support for the item.

Robin Fox - Expressed support for the item.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Morasco and seconded by Deputy Mayor Martinez to amend the US Housing & Urban Development FY 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan authorizing new Community Development Block Grant activities. Approved unanimously.

16. MASTER AND PRECISE DEVELOPMENT PLAN, TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP, AND GRADING EXEMPTION – NUTMEG HOMES RESIDENTIAL PROJECT - SOUTH PORTION (SUB 20-0007) -

Request the City Council approve a Master and Precise Development Plan to develop the south portion of the Nutmeg Homes site with up to 97 townhome units. In addition, approve a Tentative Subdivision Map and Grading Exemption for this development. (File Code No. 0860-20)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Community Development Department: Mike Strong)**

a) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-152 b) ORDINANCE 2020-30 (First Reading and Introduction)

Michael Sprangler - Expressed concern regarding the project.

MOTION: Moved by Deputy Mayor Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to approve a Master and Precise Development Plan to develop the south portion of the Nutmeg Homes site with up to 97 townhome units. In addition, approve a Tentative Subdivision Map and Grading Exemption for this development. Approved unanimously.

CURRENT BUSINESS

17. APPROVAL FOR USE OF THE PROP 68 PER CAPITA GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$271,303 TO FUND A "JOHN MASSON MEMORIAL BIKE PARK" IN JESMOND DENE PARK AND A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT -

Request the City Council approve the application(s) for Prop 68 Per Capita grant funds, and authorize the Deputy City Manager/Director of Communications and Community Services or her designee to complete and submit all documents necessary for the completion of the grant scope(s); and approve the naming of the proposed bike park, the John Masson Memorial Bike Park in honor of late Councilmember John Masson. (File Code No. 0480-70)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Communications and Community Services Department: Joanna Axelrod)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-151

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to approve the application(s) for Prop 68 Per Capita grant funds, and authorize the Deputy City Manager/Director of Communications and Community Services or her designee to complete and submit all documents necessary for the completion of the grant scope(s); and approve the naming of the proposed bike park, the John Masson Memorial Bike Park in honor of late Councilmember John Masson. Approved unanimously.

18. WASHINGTON PARK SKATE SPOT UPDATE -

Request the City Council receive and file the current skate spot report and presentation. (File Code No. 0915-07)

Staff Recommendation: **Receive and File (Communications and Community Services Department: Joanna Axelrod)**

Angela Salcido - Expressed support for the project and requested that more soccer fields be constructed in Escondido.

19. UNCLASSIFIED SERVICE SCHEDULE, SALARY PLANS, AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT -

Request the City Council approve to amend and re-establish the salary schedule for the Unclassified and Management groups and the Part-Time Hourly Compensation Plan, approve the budget adjustment for a new Building Development Technician, and receive and file update regarding classification and compensation study of full-time positions. (File Code No. 0720-20)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Human Resources Department: Jessica Perpetua; Community Development Department: Mike Strong)**

a) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-140 b) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-141

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Deputy Mayor Martinez to amend and re-establish the salary schedule for the Unclassified and Management groups and the Part-Time Hourly Compensation Plan, approve the budget adjustment for a new Building Development Technician, and

receive and file update regarding classification and compensation study of full-time positions. Approved unanimously.

- 20. RE-CAP OF COUNCIL TENURE AND LEAVING OFFICE COMMENTS: COUNCILMEMBER DIAZ-**
Request the City Council receive an overview and summary of Councilmember Diaz's career with the City of Escondido. (File Code No. 0610-90)

Staff Recommendation: **None (Councilmember: Olga Diaz)**

Barbara Letsom - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Brenda Townsend - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Danielle Coony - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Danielle Polson - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Deborah Flemming - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Gloria Kendall - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Gloria Conejo - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Evelyn Langston - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

John Williams - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Joseph Jawas Masso - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Kay Guy - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Kevin Stevenson - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Linda Wilkinson - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Lucia Levine - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Maribeth Plunk - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Mary Anne Dijak - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Melissa Aguilar - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Nedy Velazquez - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Patricia Borchmann - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Rob Knecht - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

Tania Bowman - Expressed appreciation for Councilmember Diaz.

FUTURE AGENDA

21. **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: Zack Beck)**

COUNCIL MEMBERS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS

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. This report is also available on the City's website, www.escondido.org.

- **WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT -**

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McNamara adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

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