

March 3, 2021
4:30 p.m. Special Meeting
Mitchell Room
Escondido City Council

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Escondido City Council was called to order at 4:30 p.m. on March 3, 2021 in the Mitchell Room at City Hall with Mayor McNamara presiding.

ATTENDANCE

The following members were present: Councilmember Joe Garcia, Councilmember Tina Inscoc, Councilmember Consuelo Martinez, Deputy Mayor 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. North Coast Environmental Resources Project
Decision of San Diego County Planning Commission
- II. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Government Code §54956.8)**
 - a. **Property:** 1050 N. Broadway, Escondido
City Negotiator: Jeffrey Epp, City Manager, or designee
Negotiating Parties: YMCA representatives
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Purchase and/or Lease
- III. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Government Code §54957)**
 - a. City Manager

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McNamara adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

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CITY CLERK

**March 3, 2021
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 March 3, 2021 via video conference and in the City Council Chambers with Mayor McNamara presiding.

MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Zack Beck, City Clerk led the Moment of Reflection

FLAG SALUTE

Michael McGuinness, City Attorney, led the Flag Salute

PRESENTATION

State of the City

ATTENDANCE

The following members were present: Councilmember Joe Garcia, Councilmember Tina Inscoe, Councilmember Consuelo Martinez, Deputy Mayor 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

North Coast Environmental Resources Project

Decision of San Diego County Planning Commission

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved 5-0 to ratify and approve SD County Planning Commission's decision.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Nikhit Bhatia - Offered to donate body camera analytics software from Green Key Tech to the City of Escondido.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Inscoe to approve all consent calendar items except items. 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:

- 349827 – 349827 dated January 28, 2021
- 349828 – 349847 dated January 29, 2021
- 349848 – 350056 dated February 3, 2021
- 350057 – 350225 dated February 10, 2021
- 350226 – 350265 dated February 11, 2021
- 350266 – 350456 dated February 17, 2021

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

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meetings of February 3, 2021 and February 10, 2021

4. BID AWARD FOR THE 2021 STREET REHABILITATION AND MAINTENANCE PROJECT - PHASE I -

Request the City Council deem L.C. Paving and Sealing, Inc. as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder and authorize the Mayor to execute a Public Improvement Agreement in the amount of \$933,306.90 for the 2021 Street Rehabilitation and Maintenance Project - Phase I. (File No. 0600-10, A-3348)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-31

5. RESOLUTION DECLARING A VACANT CITY-OWNED PARCEL, ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBER 234-240-05, ON SOUTH CITRUS AVENUE AS SURPLUS LAND -

Request the City Council declare the vacant City-owned parcel (APN 234-240-05) on South Citrus Avenue as surplus land and allow for the disposal of the parcel. (File No. 0690-20)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-33

6. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE APPOINTMENT -

Request the City Council ratify Councilmember Garcia to serve on the Economic Development subcommittee. (File No. 0610-55)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (City Clerk's Office: Zack Beck)**

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.)

WORKSHOP

7. ESCONDIDO HOMELESSNESS AND TRANSIENCY WORKSHOP -

Request the City Council review a presentation outlining Escondido's homelessness and transiency strategy and efforts and provide policy endorsement and/or direction. (File No. 0260-45)

Staff Recommendation: **Receive and File (City Manager's Office: Rob Van De Hey)**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. APPROVAL TO AMEND FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 HUD ANNUAL ACTION PLAN (FOURTH AMENDMENT) AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT TO ACCEPT AND ALLOCATE CDBG-CV AND ESG-CV FUNDS -

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2021-32 to amend the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") Annual Action Plan to accept \$1,324,858 in new Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus ("CDBG-CV") funds and to create new or expand existing CDBG-CV and Emergency Solutions Grant-Coronavirus ("ESG-CV") projects. It is also requested that the City Council approve the budget adjustment to accept the funding and authorize the Director of Community Development to execute sub recipient contracts. (File No. 0870-11)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Community Development Department: Mike Strong & Housing and Neighborhood Services: Karen Youel)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-32

Greg Anglea - Requested that the City of Escondido allow Interfaith Community Services to perform upgrades on a hotel they purchased to serve as a homeless shelter.

Filipe Rios - Expressed gratitude to the City of Escondido for providing Interfaith Community Services with funding that supports their Rapid Rehousing program.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Inscoe to adopt Resolution No. 2021-32 to amend the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") Annual Action Plan to accept \$1,324,858 in new Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus ("CDBG-CV") funds and to create new or expand existing CDBG-CV and Emergency Solutions Grant-Coronavirus ("ESG-CV") projects. It is also requested that the City Council approve the budget adjustment to accept the funding and authorize the Director of Community Development to execute sub recipient contracts. Approved 4-1 (Morasco – No).

9. REVIEW AND REAFFIRM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOMELESS PRIORITIES OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2024 CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND APPROVE ALLOCATION PROCESS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 CDBG AND ESG FUNDING -

Request the City Council review and re-affirm the community development priorities adopted in the Fiscal Year ("FY") 2020-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan ("2020 Con Plan") for Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") funds; approve an allocation process for FY 2021-2022 CDBG funds to utilize the maximum 15 percent allowable for public service activities to address the priorities of the Consolidated Plan, and the maximum 20 percent allowable for administration of the CDBG program; authorize the release of a Request for Proposals for public services and community development activities; review and re-affirm the homelessness priorities adopted in the 2020 Con Plan for Emergency Solutions Grant ("ESG") funds; approve an allocation process for FY 2021-2022 ESG funds to utilize the maximum 7.5 percent allowable for administration of the ESG program; and authorize the release of a Notice of Funding Availability for organizations assisting persons experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness within the City of Escondido. (File No. 0870-11)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Community Development Department: Mike Strong & Housing and Neighborhood Services: Karen Youel)**

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Inscoe and seconded by Councilmember Garcia to review and re-affirm the community development priorities adopted in the Fiscal Year ("FY") 2020-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan ("2020 Con Plan") for Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") funds; approve an allocation process for FY 2021-2022 CDBG funds to utilize the maximum 15 percent allowable for public service activities to address the priorities of the Consolidated Plan, and the maximum 20 percent allowable for administration of the CDBG program; authorize the release of a Request for Proposals for public services and community development

activities; review and re-affirm the homelessness priorities adopted in the 2020 Con Plan for Emergency Solutions Grant ("ESG") funds; approve an allocation process for FY 2021-2022 ESG funds to utilize the maximum 7.5 percent allowable for administration of the ESG program; and authorize the release of a Notice of Funding Availability for organizations assisting persons experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness within the City of Escondido. Approved unanimously.

CURRENT BUSINESS

10. **ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE AMENDING CAMPAIGN CONTROL ORDINANCE -**

Request the City Council consider the adoption and introduction of Ordinance No. 2021-04 amending Article 7 of Chapter 2 of the Escondido Municipal Code to (1) strike section 2-107(b), and (2) exclude from the definition of "person" a Political Party Committee as defined. (File No. 0680-10)

Staff Recommendation: **None (City Attorney's Office: Michael R. McGuinness)**

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-04 (First Reading and Introduction)

Escondido Chamber of Citizens – Expressed opposition to the item.

Gibhran Jimenez – Expressed opposition to the item.

Vinh An Le – Expressed opposition to the item.

Victoria Tenbrink – Expressed opposition to the item.

Marisa Allen – Expressed opposition to the item.

Laura Hunter – Expressed opposition to the item.

Joe Masso – Expressed opposition to the item.

Gloria Conejo – Expressed opposition to the item.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Inscoe and seconded by Deputy Mayor Morasco to introduce Ordinance No. 2021-04 amending Article 7 of Chapter 2 of the Escondido Municipal Code to (1) strike section 2-107(b), and (2) exclude from the definition of "person" a Political Party Committee as defined. Approved 3-2 (McNamara, Martinez - No)

FUTURE AGENDA

11. **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

Councilmember Inscoe - Attended a San Dieguito River Park JPA

Deputy Mayor Morasco - Participating in the City Manager selection process.

Councilmember Martinez - Attended a San Diego County Water Authority meeting.

Councilmember Garcia - Encouraged the public to get the COVID-19 vaccine.

Mayor McNamara - Attended a North County Transit District meeting to discuss the collapse of the Del Mar bluffs.

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 8:41 p.m.

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