

CITY OF ESCONDIDO
September 16, 2020
5:00 p.m. Special Meeting
Escondido City Council

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting of the Escondido City Council was called to order at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 via videoconference 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.

SPECIAL MEETING

PLANNING COMMISSION INTERVIEWS

Discussion among Council and applicants regarding expectations, responsibilities and duties associated with membership on the Planning Commission, and the role of the Planning Commission in City Government.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McNamara adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

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Paul McNamara
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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

CITY OF ESCONDIDO
September 16, 2020
5:30 p.m. Closed Session
Mitchell Room
Escondido City Council

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Escondido City Council was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 15, 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)

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Government Code 54956.8)

- a. **Property:** 235 E Grand Ave, APN 233-082-09
City Negotiator: Jeffrey Epp, City Manager
Negotiating Parties: Javad Fardaei & Burger Bench
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Agreement

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McNamara adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

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MAYOR

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Zack Beck

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CITY CLERK

CITY OF ESCONDIDO

**September 16, 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 September 16, 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

PROCLAMATION

Cynthia Weir, California Center for the Arts Escondido

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

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Government Code 54956.8)

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City Negotiator: Jeffrey Epp, City Manager

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Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Agreement

No reportable action under the Brown Act.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

David Ferreira – Expressed support for a bike park at Mountain View Park

Michelle Golding – Requested an update concerning a proposed aquatic center in Escondido.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Deputy Mayor Martinez to approve all consent calendar items, except items 4, 8 and 10. 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:

- 344807 345054 dated August 19, 2020
- 345055 345278 dated August 26, 2020
- 345279 345522 dated September 2, 2020

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

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meetings of August 12, 2020, August 19, 2020, and August 26, 2020

4. BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR FULL TIME LEAD RANGER SPECIALIST POSITION -

Request the City Council approve a budget adjustment for the Water Enterprise Fund, authorizing a new Lead Ranger Specialist position for the Utilities Departments Lakes and Open Space section. The position is currently being funded through September 30, 2020 by Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding received from the County of San Diego. The position will be funded by the Water Enterprise Fund and the elimination of a part time Ranger position. The annual cost of the new position is \$68,192. (File No. 0430-80)

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

Rick Paul – Expressed opposition to hiring a full time lead ranger specialist in light of the pandemic.

MOTION: Moved by Deputy Mayor Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to approve a budget adjustment for the Water Enterprise Fund, authorizing a new Lead Ranger Specialist position for the Utilities Departments Lakes and Open Space section. The position is currently being funded through September 30, 2020 by Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding received from the County of San Diego. The position will be funded by the Water Enterprise Fund and the elimination of a part time Ranger position. The annual cost of the new position is \$68,192. Approved unanimously.

5. FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CONSULTING AGREEMENT FOR DESIGN BUILD OWNER'S AGENT SERVICES FOR THE MEMBRANE FILTRATION REVERSE OSMOSIS FACILITY PROJECT -

Request the City Council authorize the execution of a First Amendment to the Design Build Owners Agent Agreement with Black & Veatch Corporation for the MFRO Facility Project. The amendment will add the Construction Management responsibilities to the Consultant. The cost of the Amendment is \$1,291,935. (File No. 0600-10, A-3132)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-133

6. CONSULTING AGREEMENT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE SERVICES FOR THE MEMBRANE FILTRATION REVERSE OSMOSIS FACILITY PROJECT -

Request the City Council approve authorizing the execution of a Consulting Agreement with Helix Environmental Planning, Inc. for Environmental Compliance Services for the Membrane Filtration Reverse Osmosis Facility Project. The cost of the agreement is an amount not to exceed \$249,350. (File No. 0600-10, A-3344)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-134

7. FY 2020-21 STATE OF CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY PROGRAM GRANT -

Request the City Council approve authorizing the Escondido Police Department to accept a FY 2020-21 California Office of Traffic Safety Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program Grant in the amount of \$25,000; authorize the Chief of Police or his designee to execute grant documents on behalf of the City; and approve budget adjustments needed to spend grant funds. The Police Department will use grant funds to pay for educational programs related to bicycle and pedestrian safety, and to provide bicycle helmets, educational materials and safety supplies to community members. (File No. 0480-70)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Police Department: Edward Varso)**

8. FY 2020-21 STATE OF CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM GRANT -

Request the City Council approve authorizing the Escondido Police Department to accept a FY 2020-21 California Office of Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Grant in the amount of \$515,000; authorize the Chief of Police or his designee to execute grant documents on behalf of the City; and approve budget adjustments needed to spend grant funds. The Police Department will use grant funds to pay for salary and benefits for one full-time traffic enforcement officer, traffic safety supplies, DUI checkpoints, saturation patrols, and traffic safety enforcement details. (File No. 0480-70)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Police Department: Edward Varso)**

Danielle Polson – Expressed opposition to this item.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Morasco and seconded by Mayor McNamara to approve authorizing the Escondido Police Department to accept a FY 2020-21 California Office of Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Grant in the amount of \$515,000; authorize the Chief of Police or his designee to execute grant documents on behalf of the City; and approve budget adjustments needed to spend grant funds. The Police Department will use grant funds to pay for salary and benefits for one full-time traffic enforcement officer, traffic safety supplies, DUI checkpoints, saturation patrols, and traffic safety enforcement details. Failed 2-2 (Diaz, Martinez – No).

9. FY 2020-21 STATE OF CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY TRAFFIC RECORDS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT GRANT -

Request the City Council approve authorizing the Escondido Police Department to accept a FY 2020-21 California Office of Traffic Safety Traffic Records Improvement Project Grant in the amount of \$24,800; authorize the Chief of Police or his designee to execute grant documents on behalf of the City; and approve budget adjustments needed to spend grant funds. The Police Department will use grant funds to pay for software, licenses, accessories, and training for a Traffic Crash Database System update. (File No. 0480-70)

Staff Recommendation: **Approval (Police Department: Edward Varso)**

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

Request the City Council approve annexing five projects containing 66-units into the Citywide Services CFD 2020-1. Each property owner has provided a signed form consenting to the annexation. (File No. 0850-20)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-115

Michael McSweeney – Expressed opposition to the Community Facilities District.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Deputy Mayor Martinez to approve annexing five projects containing 66-units into the Citywide Services CFD 2020-1. Each property owner has provided a signed form consenting to the annexation. Approved unanimously.

11. BID AWARD FOR THE STORM DRAIN LINING AND REHABILITATION PROJECT PHASE II -

Request the City Council approve authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Public Improvement Agreement with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the Storm Drain Pipe Lining and Rehabilitation Project Phase II. (File No. 0600-10, A-3341)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-117

12. NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR CANYON GROVE ESTATES, TRACT 932 -

Request the City Council approve and accept the public improvements and authorize City staff to file a Notice of Completion for Canyon Grove Estates, Tract 932. (File No. 0800-10)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-126

13. DISPOSITION OF CITY OWNED PROPERTY, LOCATED AT 1750 WEST CITRACADO PARKWAY, LOT NO. 177 IN THE MOUNTAIN SHADOWS MOBILE HOME PARK -

Request the City Council approve authorizing the Real Property Manager to execute documents necessary for the sale of City owned lot, space number 177, located in the Mountain Shadows Mobile Home Park. (File No. 0470-65)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-112

14. FINAL MAP, ESCONDIDO TRACT SUB16-0009C, VILLAGES - PHASE III -

Request the City Council approve the Final Map for Escondido Tract SUB16-0009C, a 54 lot Residential Subdivision with 35 single-family lots and 114 residential condominium units within 19 residential lots, all located at 1800 Country Club Lane. (File No. 0800-10)

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

15. LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR ZONE 9, LAUREL VALLEY -

Request the City Council approve a budget adjustment in the amount of \$31,000 from the LMD Zone 9 (Laurel Valley) Reserve Fund Balance to the LMD Zone 9 Professional Services Account to pay for removal of the leaning wall along Rincon Avenue and its replacement with a vinyl fence. (File No. 0430-80)

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

16. ORDINANCE FOR THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) EMERGENCY BUSINESS RECOVERY STRATEGY -

Request the City Council approve an ordinance to assist business economic recovery efforts while continuing to protect the health and safety of the general public, arising out of the declared Local Emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic. (File No. 0865-15)

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-23 (First Reading and Introduction)

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to approve an ordinance to assist business economic recovery efforts while continuing to protect the health and safety of the general public, arising out of the declared Local Emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Approved unanimously.

CURRENT BUSINESS

17. APPOINTMENT TO PLANNING COMMISSION -

Request the City Council ratify the Mayor's appointment to serve on the Planning Commission. Term to expire March 31, 2022.

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

ITEM MOVED TO A FUTURE MEETING DATE

18. UPDATE ON THE WOHLFORD DAM REPLACEMENT PROJECT -

Request the City Council 1) receive and file an update concerning the results of the analysis of rehabilitation alternatives in lieu of replacement of Wohlford Dam; and 2) adopt resolution 2020-137, committing to provide matching funds if the dam replacement project is selected for a FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities grant.

Staff Recommendation: **Receive and File; Approval (Utilities Department: Christopher W. McKinney)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-137

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Morasco and seconded by Deputy Mayor Martinez to receive and file an update concerning the results of the analysis of rehabilitation alternatives in lieu of replacement of Wohlford Dam; and adopt resolution 2020-137, committing to provide matching funds if the dam replacement project is selected for a FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities grant. Approved unanimously.

FUTURE AGENDA

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 Diaz - Law Enforcement Oversight Commission.

Deputy Mayor Martinez - 2016 Grand Jury Report on October 21, 2020.

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 7:36 p.m.

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