

**MINUTES OF THE
LAWNDALE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
December 3, 2018**

- A. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL** – Mayor Pullen-Miles called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall council chamber, 14717 Burin Avenue, Lawndale, California.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Robert Pullen-Miles, Mayor Pro Tem Daniel Reid, Councilmember James H. Osborne, Councilmember Pat Kearney, Councilmember Bernadette Suarez

Other Participants: City Clerk Rhonda Hofmann Gorman, City Manager Stephen N. Mandoki, City Attorney Tiffany J. Israel, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Captain April Tardy, Community Services Director Mike Estes, Assistant to the City Manager/Human Resources Director Raylette Felton, Municipal Services Director Michael Reyes, Finance Director Kenneth Louie, Community Development Director Sean Moore, Interim Public Works Director/City Engineer Jonathan Wu, Assistant City Clerk Matthew Ceballos and approximately 30 audience members

B. **CEREMONIALS**

Councilmember Kearney led the flag salute and Pastor Eddie Vargas with Restoration Life Church provided the inspiration.

C. **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT**

Captain Tardy summarized recent law enforcement activities. A few comments made congratulating John Burcher on his new position in the Sheriff's Department.

D. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

- Jose Padilla, Resident, requested a citizens meeting with Council to discuss potential projects on Hawthorne Boulevard and Manhattan Beach Boulevard.
- Sandra Alfaro, Resident, requested a citizens meeting with Council to discuss potential projects on Hawthorne Boulevard and Manhattan Beach Boulevard.
- Marisela Ruiz, Resident, supported a citizens meeting with Council to discuss potential projects on Hawthorne Boulevard and Manhattan Beach Boulevard.
- Lyda Truick, Interim Library Director, briefly spoke about the following library programs: last week of the season for baby and toddler story times, "Annie Bannaie" storyteller event, and "MakMo" STEM events.
- Ana Gonzalez, Resident, requested a citizens meeting with Council to discuss potential projects on Hawthorne Boulevard and Manhattan Beach Boulevard.
- Agustin Gonzalez, Resident, spoke about his desire to see a good project on Hawthorne Boulevard and Manhattan Beach Boulevard.
- Jesus Rodriguez, Resident, supported a citizens meeting with Council to discuss potential projects on Hawthorne Boulevard and Manhattan Beach Boulevard.

- Pam London, Resident, spoke about parking issues throughout the City, expressed interest in seeing a policy to ensure rental properties required parking.
- Liz Oliveros, Resident, spoke about a halfway house on the corner for Marine Avenue and Burin Avenue and how the condition has improved. Inquired about an update on the house to understand what had been done. Also spoke about cars not stopping at the stop sign and only one crossing guard near Jane Addams Middle School.
- Deena Sopka, Resident, spoke about a Public Records Request she submitted being delayed. She also spoke about a code enforcement officer's behavior.
- Ivan Gonzalez, Resident, supported a citizens meeting with Council to discuss potential projects on Hawthorne Boulevard and Manhattan Beach Boulevard.
- Gary White, Resident, congratulated the Lawndale High School Football team, mentioned the State Championship on December 15th. Urged the council to move ahead as necessary with the development of the site near Hawthorne Boulevard and Manhattan Beach Boulevard.
- Brian Rodriguez, Resident, requested a citizens meeting with Council to discuss potential projects on Hawthorne Boulevard and Manhattan Beach Boulevard.
- Denise Campos, SoCal Gas Public Affairs Manager for the Lawndale Area, provided an update on SoCal Gas. She also spoke about emission reduction goals and the steps being taken by SoCal Gas, the infrastructure plan, and charitable donations.

E. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

The City Council responded generally to the comments, but request placement of any issues on a future meeting agenda.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **Motion to read by title only and waive further reading of all ordinances listed on the agenda**
(Recommendation: that City Council approve.)
2. **Updated Purchasing Policy - 2nd Reading**
(Recommendation: that the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 1148-18.)
3. **Updating the Use of Urban Development Action Grant Funds - 2nd Reading**
(Recommendation: that the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 1149-18.)
4. **Waiver of Fees – Memorial for Charmaine Doty**
(Recommendation: that the City Council waive the fees for Charmaine Doty's Memorial at the Harold E. Hofmann Community Center which was held on Friday, November 30, 2018.)
5. **Youth Basketball Officiating Agreement**
(Recommendation: that the City Council approve the agreement for Basketball Officiating Services between the City of Lawndale and Jerome Johnson, authorizing Mayor Robert Pullen-Miles to execute the agreement for a total amount not to exceed \$35,970.00 for three (3) years of services.)

6. **Professional Service Agreement for a Senior Project Manager**
(Recommendation: that the City Council approve a professional services agreement with KOA Corporation as proposed in the letter proposal dated October 19, 2018 with the option for renewal for another 12-months term under the same terms and conditions.)
7. **Amendment to the Solid Waste Management Consulting Services Contract**
(Recommendation: that the City Council approve the Fourth Amendment to Contract Services Agreement for AB 939 Compliance Services with HF&H Consultants, LLC, through December 31, 2020.)
8. **Award Construction Contract for Concrete Repairs Project**
(Recommendation: that the City Council (a) award a construction contract in the amount of \$182,949.20 to Ruiz Concrete & Paving Inc. for the Concrete Repairs Project FY 18/19; and (b) approve a fifteen percent (15%) contingency of \$27,442 to avoid project delays and facilitate timely project completion.)
9. **Accounts Payable Register**
(Recommendation: that the City Council adopts Resolution No. CC-1812-049, authorizing the payment of certain claims and demands in the amount of \$437,955.55.)
10. **Minutes of the Lawndale City Council Regular Meeting – November 5, 2018**
(Recommendation: that City Council approve.)

Councilmember Kearney inquired about consent calendar item no. 6, requested more information on the necessity of contracting out for another senior project manager. City Manager Stephen Mandoki explained that a consultant senior project manager is necessary for the large project load that needs attention, would be paid for in conjunction with federal dollars and grants. A dialogue ensued between City Council and Staff regarding the Inglewood Avenue project and the issues that need attention such as re-paving, signals, street signs, and dedicated turn lanes. City Manager Stephen noted that the project manager would be used strictly on an as needed basis.

A motion by Councilmember Suarez to approve the consent calendar was seconded by Councilmember Osborne and carried by a vote of 5-0.

G. ADMINISTRATION

11. **Youth Advisory Committee Appointments**
(Recommendation: that the City Council (a) approve the Mayor's appointments by directing staff to insert the appointees' names in Section 1 of Resolution No. CC-1812-052, and (b) that the City Council adopt the resolution as amended.)

Assistant City Clerk Matthew Ceballos briefly reported on the proposed.

Mayor Pullen-Miles made six appointments to the Youth Advisory Committee.

A motion by Councilmember Kearney to approve the Mayor's appointments by directing staff to insert the appointees' names in Section 1 of Resolution and adopt Resolution No. CC-1812-052 was seconded by Councilmember Osborne and carried by a vote of 5-0.

A dialogue ensued between City Council regarding the Youth Advisory Committee and their participation in the historical society, the Youth Day parade, and possible scholarship opportunities.

12. Salary Schedule and Benefits for Designated Central Management Employees and a Third Amendment to the City Manager Agreement

(Recommendation: that the City Council (a) adopts Resolution No. CC-1812-050, approving the Salary and Benefits for the Central Management Team; and (b) approve the third amendment to the City Manager Agreement.)

Assistant to the City Manager/Human Resources Director Raylette Felton reported on the proposed amendment to the salary schedule and benefits for the Central Management Employees.

A motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Reid to adopt Resolution No. CC-1812-050 and approve the third amendment to the City Manager Agreement was seconded by Councilmember Kearney and carried by a vote of 5-0

13. Award Construction Contract for Burin House Project and Amend the Project Budget

(Recommendation: that the City Council (a) award a construction contract in the amount of \$128,265 to NOHO Construction for Burin House Project, (b) appropriate \$25,641 from Bond Proceeds to the Burin House Project, (c) reduce appropriations of \$25,641 from Street Improvement Project (Bond Funds), (d) appropriate \$25,641 from Measure M Fund for Street Improvements; and (e) approve a twelve percent (12%) contingency of \$15,400 to avoid project delays and facilitate timely project completion.)

Interim Public Works Director Jonathan Wu reported on the proposed construction contract.

A motion by Councilmember Osborne to award the construction contract in the amount of \$128,265 to NOHO Construction for Burin House Project and approve all recommended appropriations was seconded by Councilmember Reid and carried by a vote of 5-0.

14. Updating Informal Bidding Thresholds on Public Projects

(Recommendation: that the City Council approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 1150-18, updating the City's informal bidding threshold for the selection of contractors to be consistent with the current limits allowed by State law.)

Interim Director Wu reported on the proposed update to the informal bidding thresholds.

Councilmember Kearney inquired about the changes to the bidding and approval process, City Manager Stephen Mandoki clarified that the changes are in the threshold amounts but the project limits and scopes are previously approved by City Council. A dialogue ensued between City Council and Staff regarding the threshold changes being in line with State standards and continued transparency in the bidding process.

City Attorney Lona Laymon read the title of Ordinance No 1150-18.

A motion by Councilmember Osborne to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 1150-18 was seconded by Councilmember Kearney and carried by a vote of 5-0.

15. Renaming of 147th Street to Lawndale Way

(Recommendation: that the City Council adopts Resolution No. CC-1812-051, renaming 147th Street to Lawndale Way between Hawthorne Boulevard and Burin Avenue.)

Interim Director Wu reported on the proposed renaming 147th Street to Lawndale Way.

Councilmember Osborne spoke about the renaming of the street and its history.

A motion by Councilmember Osborne to adopt Resolution No. CC-1812-051 was seconded by Mayor Pullen-Miles and carried by a vote of 5-0.

H. ITEMS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

16. Councilmember Report of Attendance at Meetings and/or Events

Councilmember Kearney attended the Library Trust meeting, Angel Tree event, Santa's Sleigh event, Cora Castillo and Charmaine Doty ceremonies, and the newly elected Sherriff's swearing-in ceremony.

Councilmember Suarez had nothing to report.

Councilmember Osborne attended the Angel Tree event and the newly elected Sherriff's swearing-in ceremony.

Mayor Pro-Tem Reid attended the Angel Tree event, Contract Cities meeting, and Charmaine Doty's ceremony.

Mayor Pullen-Miles attended the Angel Tree event, Santa's Sleigh event, as well as Cora Castillo and Charmaine Doty ceremonies.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Osborne, requested Charmaine Doty's name to be added to the Lawndale Wall of Distinction, City Council came to consensus to agendize the item.


Mayor Pullen-Miles adjourned the meeting in honor of Charmaine Doty and Cora Castillo.

There being no further business to conduct, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.



Robert Pullen-Miles, Mayor

ATTEST:



Rhonda Hofmann Gorman, City Clerk

Approved: 12/17/18