

**MINUTES OF THE
LAWNDALE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
September 20, 2021**

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 Pat Kearney, Councilmember Bernadette Suarez, Councilmember Rhonda Hofmann Gorman, Councilmember Sirley Cuevas

Other Participants: City Manager Kevin M. Chun, City Attorney Gregory M. Murphy, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Captain Duane Allen, Community Services Director Mike Estes, Assistant to the City Manager/Human Resources Director Raylette Felton, Municipal Services Director Michael Reyes, Community Development Director Sean Moore, Assistant City Clerk Matthew Ceballos, Public Works Director Julian Lee

B. CEREMONIALS

Councilmember Bernadette Suarez led the flag salute and Pastor George Magdalany, Hope Chapel Hawthorne, provided the inspiration.

C. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Captain Duane Allen summarized the recent law enforcement activities.

D. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Griselda Sanchez, Community Outreach Coordinator for Fame Assistance Corporation, spoke about the danger of second hand tobacco smoke in multi-family housing.

Yesika Hernandez, Resident, spoke about the effect of tobacco smoke in her residence.

Ricardo Torres, Tobacco Program Director of Fame Assistance Corporation, spoke about tobacco smoke in multi-family housing.

E. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Councilmember Bernadette Suarez requested staff to estimate the cost for a voter survey on a ballot regarding smoking in multi-family housing

The City Council responded generally to the comments.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Beautification Committee Appointment

Recommendation: that the City Council (a) approve the Mayor's appointment by directing staff to insert the appointee's names in Section 1 of Resolution No. CC-2109-039; and (b) the City Council adopt the Resolution as amended.

2. Accounts Payable Register

Recommendation: that the City Council adopt Resolution No. CC-2109-038, authorizing the payment of certain claims and demands in the amount of \$266,618.60.

3. Minutes of the Lawndale City Council Regular Meeting – September 7, 2021

Recommendation: that the City Council approve.

A motion by Mayor Pro Tem Kearney to approve the consent calendar was seconded by Councilmember Bernadette Suarez and carried by a vote of 5-0.

G. ADMINISTRATION

4. Award of Contract for 2021 Pavement Management System to Bucknam Infrastructure Group, Inc. for a Total Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$78,996

Recommendation: that the City Council (a) accept a proposal dated August 24, 2021 from Bucknam Infrastructure Group, Inc. for the preparation of the 2021 Pavement Management System; (b) award the contract to Bucknam Infrastructure Group, Inc. in the amount of \$63,372 for the 2021 Pavement Management System; (c) approve the additional work for 2021 Pavement Management System to Bucknam Infrastructure Group, Inc. in the amount of \$15,624; and (d) reject all other proposals received.

Public Works Director Julian Lee provided a report on the Award of Contract for 2021 Pavement Management System to Bucknam Infrastructure Group, Inc.

Peter Bucknam, Bucknam Infrastructure Group Project Manager, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the overview of the Pavement Management System.

Councilmember Suarez requested staff to include the list of other proposals accepted on future staff reports.

Mayor Pro Tem Pat Kearney inquired if the Pavement Management System process will overlap with the ADA transition plan.

Public Works Director Julian Lee responded the City Council recently authorized a contract for ADA transition plan and Pavement Management System process covers the infrastructure of a sidewalk as a whole.

A motion by Councilmember Cuevas to accept a proposal dated August 24, 2021 from Bucknam Infrastructure Group, Inc. for the preparation of the 2021 Pavement Management System, award the contract to Bucknam Infrastructure Group, Inc. in the amount of \$63,372 for the 2021 Pavement Management System, approve the additional

work for 2021 Pavement Management System to Bucknam Infrastructure Group, Inc. in the amount of \$15,624 and reject all other proposals received, was seconded by Councilmember Suarez and carried by a vote of 5-0.

5. City Council Subcommittee and Standing Committee Additions

Recommendation: that the City Council review the proposed subcommittee & standing committee and direct staff on their appointment of members.

A lengthy dialogue ensued between City Council and staff regarding the subcommittees & standing committees.

City Council came to a unanimous consensus, without objection, to appoint Mayor Pullen-Miles and Councilmember Hofmann Gorman on the Caltrans Maintenance Standing Committee, Mayor Pullen-Miles and Councilmember Bernadette Suarez on the Teen Center Subcommittee.

H. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Kevin Chun provided a reminder to the community about the bulky item trash pick-up during regular trash collection days during the week of September 20, 2021.

I. ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

6. Mayor/City Councilmembers Report of Attendance at Meetings and/or Events

Councilmember Suarez attended the 8th Annual Blues Festival and commended all staff for the hard work, she also attended California Contract Cities Association fall seminar, and took ethics training. Councilmember Suarez requested a City Council review of the Purchasing Policy and approval limit threshold be added to a future agenda.

Councilmember Cuevas attended the 8th Annual Blues Festival and will be attending League of California Cities Annual Conference.

Councilmember Hofmann Gorman attended the 8th Annual Blues Festival and enjoyed the car show, she also attended California Contract Cities Association fall seminar. Councilmember Hofmann Gorman added she'd like to work on the fireworks suppression plan this fall in preparation for next July and also to assemble a Neighborhood Watch program.

Mayor Pro Tem Kearney attended Liability Trust and Oversight Committee and the 8th Annual Blues Festival. Mayor Pro Tem Kearney inquired if next year's event can be a Music Festival covering a variety of music genres.

Mayor Pullen-Miles attended the L.A. County Sanitation District meeting, the California Contract Cities Association fall seminar, and the ethics training, and also attended the 8th Annual Blues Festival.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Robert Pullen-Miles, Mayor

ATTEST:

Erica Harbison, City Clerk

Approved: 10/04/2021