

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LA MIRADA CITY COUNCIL
JULY 26, 2016 – 6:30 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor De Ruse called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, La Mirada City Hall, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California.

2. INVOCATION

The invocation was delivered by Pastor Zorro Mer.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by a representative of VFW Post 9148.

4. ROLL CALL

City Council was present with Councilmember Deal, Councilmember Mowles, Councilmember Sarega, Mayor Pro Tem Eng and Mayor De Ruse responding to roll call.

The following staff members were also present: City Manager Jeff Boynton, Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Anne Haraksin and City Attorney James Markman.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Arthur Schaper encouraged the City Council to oppose Senate Bill 1146.

Jim Zoellner expressed an interest in having a park accessible to the public at Dulles Elementary School.

John Sarega spoke in support of a designated dog park and soccer fields in La Mirada.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Deal moved and Mayor Pro Tem Eng seconded to approve the following Consent Calendar items:

6.1 APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The City Council approved the minutes of the Study Session meeting of July 12, 2016 and the minutes of the regular meeting of July 12, 2016.

6.2 APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

The City Council approved the warrant register dated July 26, 2016 in the total amount of \$2,211,966.16.

6.3 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 2014-23, TRAFFIC SIGNAL UPGRADES AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF IMPERIAL HIGHWAY AND LA MIRADA BOULEVARD, IMPERIAL HIGHWAY AND CORDOVA ROAD, AND IMPERIAL HIGHWAY AND OXFORD DRIVE – ACCEPTANCE OF WORK

The City Council accepted the traffic signal upgrades constructed by Traffic Development Services, Inc. and authorized the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder.

6.4 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 2015-18, OLIVE BRANCH DRIVE STREET REHABILITATION FROM SANTA GERTRUDES AVENUE TO OCASO AVENUE - REVIEW OF BIDS AND AWARD OF CONTRACT

The City Council awarded the contract for Capital Improvement Project No. 2015-18, Olive Branch Drive Street Rehabilitation from Santa Gertrudes Avenue to Ocaso Avenue, to Sequel Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$232,215.10; authorized the City Manager to execute the contract on behalf of the City; authorized the City Manager to approve addendums to the existing on-call engineering contracts for construction inspection and testing services in an amount not to exceed 20 percent of the construction cost; and authorized the City Manager to approve additional work up to 20 percent of the total project cost including construction, and construction testing and inspection.

6.5 INVESTMENT REPORT FOR THE CITY OF LA MIRADA FOR THE MONTH ENDING JUNE 2016

The City Council received and filed the City's Investment Report for the month ending June 2016.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Councilmembers Deal, Mowles, Sarega, Mayor Pro Tem Eng, Mayor De Ruse
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

7. PUBLIC HEARING

7.1 RESOLUTION NO. 16-21 AMENDING THE CITY OF LA MIRADA CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE FOR DESIGNATED PERSONNEL

Mayor De Ruse opened the Public Hearing.

City Manager Boynton reported that State law requires that public agencies amend their Conflict of Interest Code biennially based on changes in personnel and circumstances. As part of the review and update process, staff evaluated all City positions and determined that due to personnel changes to positions and titles, it is necessary to amend the Code. He identified the positions that were recommended to be added and removed. He said the proposed resolution reflects the proposed modifications to the Conflict of Interest Code for designated personnel.

Resident John Sarega spoke in support of the item.

No residents spoke in opposition.

Mayor De Ruse closed the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Sarega moved and Mayor Pro Tem Eng seconded to adopt Resolution No. 16-21 amending the City of La Mirada Conflict of Interest Code for designated personnel.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

**AYES: Councilmembers Deal, Mowles, Sarega, Mayor Pro Tem Eng,
Mayor De Ruse**
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

7.2 RESOLUTION NO. 16-22 ADJUSTING CITY USER FEES

Mayor De Ruse opened the Public Hearing

Administrative Analyst II Vaniah De Rojas presented information on the proposed resolution adjusting City user fees. She said at the June 14 Study Session meeting, staff presented the proposed City user fee adjustments for City Council's review. Staff also discussed the Cost Allocation and User Fee Study and the methodology instrument used by staff to ensure a rational basis was applied to set fees fairly, reasonably and in compliance with State law. She said the proposed City user fees would become effective October 1. She said in addition to the proposed fee adjustments, staff recommends automatic annual adjustments to user fees that do not currently achieve full cost recovery based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Los Angeles – Orange-Riverside Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Resident John Sarega spoke in opposition to some proposed user fees.

Resident Jack Miranda asked for clarification regarding facility reservation fees.

City Manager Boynton responded and said facility reservation fees are not included as City user fees.

Mayor De Ruse closed the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Sarega suggested the user fees be reviewed annually.

Mayor Pro Tem Eng expressed support for the proposed resolution regarding adjustments to City user fees.

Councilmember Mowles expressed support for the proposed resolution.

Councilmember Deal expressed support for the proposed resolution.

Mayor De Ruse expressed support for the proposed resolution.

Mayor Pro Tem Eng moved and Councilmember Mowles seconded to adopt Resolution No. 16-22 adjusting City user fees and approve automatic annual adjustments to user fees that do not currently achieve full cost recovery based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Los Angeles – Orange-Riverside Metropolitan Statistical Area.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Councilmembers Deal, Mowles, Sarega, Mayor Pro Tem Eng, Mayor De Ruse
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

8. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

8.1 RESOLUTION NO. 16-23 DECLARING A NEED FOR A PARKING AUTHORITY TO FUNCTION IN THE CITY AND DECLARING THE CITY COUNCIL TO BE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PARKING AUTHORITY

Senior Accountant Judy Quinonez presented information on the proposed resolution. She said the adoption of the proposed resolution would authorize the Parking Authority to operate in the City and facilitate the next step in preserving the continued existence of the La Mirada Public Financing Authority after the Successor Agency to the La Mirada Redevelopment Agency terminates its existence. She said in the past, the La Mirada Public Financing Authority has helped the former Redevelopment Agency purchase bonds through negotiated sales and also assisted the City in the original 2006 issuance and recent refinancing of bonds.

Councilmember Mowles moved and Mayor Pro Tem Eng seconded to adopt Resolution No. 16-23 declaring a need for a Parking Authority to function in the City and declaring the City Council to be the Board of Directors of the Parking Authority.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Councilmembers Deal, Mowles, Sarega, Mayor Pro Tem Eng, Mayor De Ruse

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

9. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS FROM STAFF

There were no administrative reports given by staff.

10. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of the City Council reported on meetings and events they attended.

11. CITY ATTORNEY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The City Attorney had no announcements.

12. CITY MANAGER ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Boynton reported on upcoming community events.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the City Council adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Anne Haraksin, City Clerk

Attest:

Steve De Ruse, Mayor