

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LA MIRADA CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 26, 2019 – 6:30 P.M.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Mowles 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 Steve Camarillo of Living Faith Assembly of God Church.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by VFW Post 9148.

4. **ROLL CALL**

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

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

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Brian Tarvin expressed support for renovating the fountain in front of City Hall. He also provided information regarding a problem house in his neighborhood.

George Wheelen addressed the City Council regarding City user fees. He stated it was important to accurately report the man hours in the calculation and he made reference to the minutes of the July 26, 2016 City Council meeting.

Julia Emerson, on behalf of the Southern California Gas Company, expressed the need for local control regarding energy choices. She provided information pertaining to renewable natural gas.

6. **APPEARANCES, PRESENTATIONS, AND PROCLAMATIONS**

6.1 **RECOGNITION OF BEATITUDES OF OUR LORD GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM**

The City Council recognized the coaches and members of the Beatitudes of Our Lord Girls Varsity Basketball team and the Mayor, on behalf of the City Council, presented them with Certificates of Recognition.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Pro Tem De Ruse moved and Councilmember Lewis seconded to approve the following consent calendar items:

7.1 APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The City Council approved the minutes of the Study Session meeting of March 12, 2019 and the minutes of the regular meeting of March 12, 2019.

7.2 APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

The City Council approved the warrant register dated March 26, 2019 in the total amount of \$1,844,657.87.

7.3 INVESTMENT REPORT FOR THE CITY OF LA MIRADA FOR THE MONTH ENDING FEBRUARY 2019

The City Council received and filed the City's Investment Report for the month ending February 2019.

7.4 CITY COUNCIL REQUEST FOR CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

The City Council approved Mayor Pro Tem De Ruse's request to attend the Southern California Association of Governments Regional Conference and Councilmember Sarega's request to attend the California Contract Cities Association's Annual Seminar.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

8. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

8.1 RESOLUTION NO. 19-10 APPROVING THE INSTALLATION OF A MULTI-WAY STOP CONTROL AT THE INTERSECTION OF BIOLA AVENUE AND GARDENHILL DRIVE

City Manager Boynton introduced the item.

Traffic Engineer Irena Guilmette provided information on existing conditions at Biola Avenue and Gardenhill Drive, the collision history, vehicle volume counts and vehicle speed data. She said a traffic analysis indicated that the average hourly vehicle volume on Biola Avenue has

increased by 56.4 percent since a 2017 traffic study. She said that the traffic volumes have increased to a point where the applicable multi-way stop control criteria pursuant to the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices has been met. She said it was recommended the City Council approve the installation of a multi-way stop control at the intersection of Biola Avenue and Gardenhill Drive.

Councilmember Lewis moved and Councilmember Eng seconded to adopt Resolution No. 19-10 approving the installation of a multi-way stop control at the intersection of Biola Avenue and Gardenhill Drive.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

8.2 RESOLUTION NO. 19-11 WAIVING THE FORMAL BID PROCESS AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF AN EMERGENCY GENERATOR AND TRANSFER SWITCH PANEL FOR THE LA MIRADA THEATRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

City Manager Boynton presented a report on the item. He said a mechanical malfunction caused the generator at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts to be taken off line leaving the site without a functional generator to power the emergency lighting system. He said the generator is more than 30 years old and has reached the end of its full and useful life. He said it was recommended the purchase and installation of a generator and transfer switch panel be expedited and authorized as an emergency repair to ensure safety at the Theatre. He said the adoption of the proposed resolution would waive the formal bid process, authorize the purchase of the replacement generator and transfer switch panel, and authorize installation of the system.

Councilmember Lewis moved and Mayor Pro Tem De Ruse seconded to adopt Resolution No. 19-11 waiving the formal bid process and authorizing the purchase and installation of an emergency generator and transfer switch panel; authorize the purchase of an Onan emergency generator and transfer switch panel from Cummins in the amount of \$37,713.61; authorize Snowden Electric Company, Inc. to install the emergency generator and transfer switch panel in the amount of \$7,200; and authorize the City Manager to approve additional work up to 20 percent of the total project cost including shipping, facility modifications and installation.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

8.3 FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 708 REVISING TERMS OF OFFICE AND RELATED RULES FOR PLANNING COMMISSIONERS AND AMENDING TITLE 2 OF THE LA MIRADA MUNICIPAL CODE

City Manager Boynton reported that recent changes to state and local laws have resulted in City Council elections to be held during the March primary and a one-year extension of current Councilmembers' terms. He said the proposed amendments to the La Mirada Municipal Code would enable the terms of Commissioners to coincide with the terms of nominating Councilmembers and provide consistency among the La Mirada Municipal Code. He said the proposed ordinance would also change the number of absences allowed before being removed from the Commission from four meetings in a 12-month period to three meetings in an eight-month period. The proposed revision regarding absences would provide consistency with the Community Services Commission and Public Safety Commission bylaws and the City Council Advisory Body Procedural Manual. He said the proposed modifications were discussed at the Study Session meeting of March 12, 2019.

Councilmember Sarega moved and Councilmember Eng seconded to introduce for first reading Ordinance No. 708 revising terms of office and related rules for Planning Commissioners and amending Title 2 of the La Mirada Municipal Code, by title only, and waive further reading.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

**CITY COUNCIL ACTING IN ITS CAPACITY AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY
TO THE LA MIRADA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Pro Tem De Ruse moved and Councilmember Lewis seconded to approve the following consent calendar item:

9.1 APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

The Successor Agency approved the warrant register dated March 26, 2019 in the total amount of \$44.72.

CITY COUNCIL

10 CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

11. CITY ATTORNEY ANNOUNCEMENTS


There were no City Attorney announcements.

12. CITY MANAGER ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no City Manager announcements.

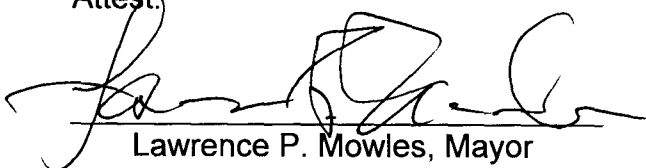
13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the City Council adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.



Anne Haraksin, City Clerk

Attest.



Lawrence P. Mowles, Mayor