

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lake Forest held Tuesday, January 19, 2021, at the Lake Forest City Council Chambers, 100 Civic Center Drive, Lake Forest, California, was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:	Councilmembers:	Doug Cirbo Mark Tettemer Neeki Moatazedi (absent)
	Mayor Pro Tem Mayor:	Robert Pequeño Scott Voigts
	City Manager:	Debra Rose
	City Attorney:	Matthew Richardson
	City Clerk:	Lisa Berglund

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No members of the public offered comments.

RECESSED: City Council recessed to Closed Session at 5:34 p.m. for the purpose of conducting Closed Session discussion.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957
CONSULTATION WITH CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY

ACTION: Conduct Closed Session.

2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8
PROPERTY: 14155 BAKE PARKWAY, IRVINE, CA 92618
APN: 591-075-03
AGENCY NEGOTIATOR: CITY MANAGER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
NEGOTIATING PARTIES: CITY OF LAKE FOREST AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY, ITS COUNSEL, AND/OR THEIR AUTHORIZED AGENT(S)
UNDER NEGOTIATION: PRICE AND TERMS FOR PAYMENT

ACTION: Conduct Closed Session.

RECONVENED: City Council reconvened at 6:30 p.m., with four members of the City Council present for regular City business.

PUBLIC SESSION

INVOCATION: The Invocation was provided by Councilmember Tettemer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country was led by Mayor Pro Tem Pequeno

CLOSED SESSION REPORT: City Attorney Richardson had no action to report.

PRESENTATIONS:

3. CELEBRATION OF THE CITY'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY

ACTION: It was moved to receive the presentation from staff by motion of Council member Tettemer and seconded by Council member Cirbo. Motion passed 4/0 with Council Member Moatazedi absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

****SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND COMMENTS DURING GLOBAL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC:** On 3-4-20, California State Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19. On 3-17-20, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20, which allows a local legislative body to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and to make public meetings accessible electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body. Pursuant to the Order and given the current health concerns, members of the public were able to submit comments electronically or via voicemail up until 5:00 p.m. the day of the Meeting.

The following voicemail comments were received for the record:

Randy Johnson inquired about the status of the City Council meeting minutes for October 6, October 20 and November 17, 2020.

Monica Levack inquired about the status of street parking and street sweeping in Bennett Ranch near Cherry Park as it relates to enforcement.

Mayor Voigts requested clarification from the City Manager on enforcement. City Manager Rose responded and explained that since Lake Forest is part of regional stay at home order, her and Captain Taylor mutually decided not to enforcement street sweeping or permit parking prohibitions. This is because more residents are home or working from home during the regional stay at home order.

CONSENT CALENDAR: (Item Nos. 4-8)

ACTION: Staff requested to pull item no. 8 from tonight's agenda in its entirety.

MOTION: It was moved by Council Member Tettemer and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pequeno to approve Council Consent Calendar item nos. 4-7 and to pull item no. 8 off the agenda in its entirety. Motion carried by a vote of 4/0 with Council Member Moatazedi absent.

4. MOTION TO WAIVE RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

ACTION: Said Ordinances and Resolutions which appear on the public agenda shall be determined to have been read by title and further reading waived.

5. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON JANUARY 5, 2021

6. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 342 RELATED TO CITY-INITIATED AMENDMENTS TO SECTIONS 9.08.010(E), 9.144.080(C), and 9.112.110 OF TITLE 9 OF THE LAKE FOREST MUNICIPAL CODE

7. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 343 AMENDING SECTION 9.146.050 OF THE LAKE FOREST MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

8. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 344 AMENDING CHAPTER 5.42 OF THE LAKE FOREST MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO MARIJUANA TESTING LABS

Public comment:

Randy Johnson – Reminded the City Council that he sent an email to them and the City Manager on January 7, following the review of the Marijuana Lab Testing Ordinance. He further commended Sheriff Barnes for refusing to conduct background checks on the marijuana testing business in the city and inquired if City conferred with the Sheriff Dept prior to adopting the ordinance. He further commented that this ordinance conflicts with federal law and would like to see it repealed.

ACTION: This item was removed from the agenda at the request of staff.

DISCUSSION: (Item Nos. 9-10)

9. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO CITY COMMISSIONS

ACTION: It was moved by Mayor Voigts and seconded by Council Member Tettemer to continue this matter to the February 2, 2021, City Council meeting. Motion carried by a vote of 4/0. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Moatazedi absent.

10. COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION

The following voicemail comments were received for the record:

Martin Deutschman – supports the City in joining a CCA

Walter Nobrego – does not support the City in joining the CCA.

ACTION: Senior Analyst Adrian Grijalva gave a presentation along with consultant Mark Fulmer the principal of MRW & Associates.

After the presentation by Senior Analyst Grijalva and consultant Fulmer, Mayor Voigts opened the floor to his Council colleagues for questions about the presentation. Discussion ensued. Many questions were asked and answered. Mayor Voigts thanked staff for the presentation. The information was received and filed. No vote was taken.

Council Member Tettemer requested consensus from his Council colleagues to discuss the possibility of bringing a ballot initiative to the voters to procure energy through OCPA. Minority consensus was received by Mayor Pro Tem Pequeño. The matter will be placed on the February 2, 2021, City Council agenda for discussion.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT: City Manager Rose had not additional comments.

Council Member Cirbo: Shared quotes from Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Council Member Tettemer: Had no further comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Pequeño: Thanked staff. Announced that Etnies Skate Park received the OC Reader's Choice Award.

Mayor Voigts: Thanked staff.

ADJOURNMENT: The regular meeting of the City Council was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.