

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL – OFFICIAL REORGANIZATION
Civic Center – Council Chambers
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California 91301
Tuesday, December 3, 2013
6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Weber.

The flag salute was led by Cub Scout Troop #227

The invocation was led by Rabbi Moshe Bryski.

Present were: Mayor Denis Weber, Mayor Pro Tem William D. Koehler, Councilmember Illice Buckley Weber, Councilmember John M. Edelston, and Councilmember Harry Schwarz

Also Present were: City Manager Greg Ramirez, City Attorney Candice K. Lee, Assistant City Manager Nathan Hamburger, Deputy City Manager Louis Celaya, Executive Assistant Patricia Wiley, Administrative Analyst Celeste Bird, Administrative Secretary Sheila Keckhut, Director of Finance Christy Pinuelas, Director of Planning and Community Development Mike Kamino, Assistant Director of Planning and Community Development Doug Hooper, Public Works Director/City Engineer Ramiro Adeva, Public Works Project Manager Chris Dodd, Building Official Amir Hamidzadeh, Director of Community Services Amy Brink, Recreation Manager Donna Conlin, Recreation Manager Zach Miller, Recreation Supervisor Nick Newkirk, Community Services Coordinator Jacob Broyles, Community Services Coordinator Xochitl Castillo, Administrative Secretary Judy Ptashkin, and City Clerk Kimberly Rodrigues.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Councilmember Schwarz, second by Councilmember Edelston, the Agenda was unanimously approved, 5-0, without objection.

INTRODUCTIONS OF DIGNITARIES AND SPECIAL GUESTS

Councilmember Buckley Weber introduced the dignitaries and special guests, including: District Director and former Agoura Hills Mayor Louise Rishoff, representing the Honorable Senator Fran Pavley; former Mayors of the City of Agoura Hills, Jack Koenig, Darlene McBane, Jeff Reinhardt, and Louise Rishoff; former Agoura Hills Councilmember Ernest Dynda; Vice President Dave Moorman, Board Member Gordon

Whitehead, Superintendent Dan Stepenosky, and former Superintendent Bud Marley, representing the Las Virgenes Unified School District; Principal Brian Mercer, representing Agoura High School; Principal Jessica Kiernan, representing Willow Elementary School; Director Barry Steinhardt representing the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District; Mayor Pro Tem David Shapiro, representing the City of Calabasas, City Manager Jim Thorsen representing the City of Malibu; Mayor Mark Rutherford, representing the City of Westlake Village; President/CEO Jill Lederer and staff, representing the Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce; Special Guest Rabbi Moshe Bryski, who provided the invocation; Special Guest Honorable Judge Frank Johnson, who will be administering the Oaths of Office; Captain Pat Devoran and Lost Hills/Malibu Sheriff's Station staff, Assistant Fire Chief Anthony Whittle and Los Angeles County Fire Department, Division 7, staff; and Councilmember Buckley Weber extended a warm welcome to all attendees, especially to the family members and guests of the City Council; and a special acknowledgment to the appointed members of City advisory boards, commissions, and committees, including the many City volunteers, who serve the community.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public speakers.

CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public speakers.

On a motion by Councilmember Edelston, second by Councilmember Buckley Weber, the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved, 5-0, without objection.

1. Adopt **Resolution No. 13-1737**; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, RECITING THE FACT OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2013, DECLARING THE RESULT THEREOF AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS PROVIDED BY LAW

ACTION: Approved 5-0

2013 CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

- A. Outgoing Mayor's Remarks

Mayor Weber gave his remarks as outgoing Mayor.

- B. Presentations to Outgoing Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Koehler presented a certificate on behalf of Assembly Member Richard Bloom. Presentations to outgoing Mayor Denis Weber were made by:

District Director, former Agoura Hills Mayor Louise Rishoff, representing the Honorable Senator Fran Pavley; Susan Nissman, representing the Honorable Los Angeles County Supervisor, Third District, Zev Yaroslavsky; Director Barry Steinhardt, representing the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District; Vice President Dave Moorman, Board Member Gordon Whitehead, Superintendent Dan Stepenosky and Principals Brian Mercer and Jessica Kiernan, representing the Las Virgenes Unified School District; President/CEO Jill Lederer, representing the Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce; followed by Mayor Pro Tem Koehler presenting a framed oil painting depicting a representation of the "Good Life" in Agoura Hills, including a silhouette of Ladyface Mountain, signed by local artist Wes Van Dyke, from the City Council and City of Agoura Hills staff.

C. Introduction of the Honorable Judge Frank Johnson

Mayor Pro Tem Koehler introduced the Honorable Judge Frank Johnson.

D. Oaths of Office for Councilmembers-Elect: William D. Koehler, Harry Schwarz, and Denis Weber

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Frank Johnson administered the Oaths of Office to incoming Agoura Hills Councilmembers William D. Koehler, Harry Schwarz, and Denis Weber.

E. Election of New Mayor

Mayor Weber opened the nominations for Mayor. The motion by Councilmember Edelston, to nominate William D. Koehler as Mayor, was seconded by Councilmember Schwarz. There were no further nominations and, by unanimous consensus, William D. Koehler was elected as Mayor.

F. Election of New Mayor Pro Tem

Mayor Koehler opened the nominations for Mayor Pro Tem. The motion by Councilmember Schwarz, to nominate Illece Buckley Weber as Mayor Pro Tem, was seconded by Councilmember Edelston. There were no further nominations and, by unanimous consensus, Illece Buckley Weber was elected as Mayor Pro Tem.

G. Introduction of the Honorable Judge Frank Johnson

Councilmember Schwarz introduced the Honorable Judge Frank Johnson.

H. Oaths of Office for Incoming Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Frank Johnson administered the Oaths of Office to incoming Mayor William D. Koehler and Mayor Pro Tem Illece Buckley Weber.

I. Incoming Mayor's Remarks

Councilmember Weber introduced Mayor William D. Koehler who gave his incoming remarks.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber congratulated Denis Weber on a wonderful year as Mayor, the three incoming Councilmembers on their re-election, and Mayor Koehler as the incoming Mayor, stating that she looked forward to working closely with him towards achieving his goals in the upcoming year.

Councilmember Schwarz congratulated Denis Weber on a very efficient and memorable year as Mayor, Mayor Koehler as the incoming Mayor, and the incoming Councilmembers on their re-election, and stated that he looked forward to working with the Council and staff in the upcoming year.

Councilmember Weber congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber on her first term as Mayor Pro Tem, and Mayor Koehler and Councilmember Schwarz on their re-election; spoke about walking the streets of Agoura Hills and speaking to the residents during his campaign, and congratulated Mayor Koehler as the incoming Mayor.

Councilmember Edelston congratulated Denis Weber on a successful year as Mayor and Mayor Koehler as the incoming Mayor, noted that he had served on the City Council for ten years, and wished everyone a Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, and safe, healthy, and Happy New Year.

Mayor Koehler thanked everyone, on behalf of his colleagues, for attending and sharing in the reorganization event; congratulated Denis Weber for serving as Mayor, noting that he was the "epitome of what one looks for in a strong and dynamic leader"; stated that he had served on the Council for the last eight years and spoke about the respect held for and between the Councilmembers and thanked them for their civility, professionalism, and their decorum in representing the community; thanked City staff, noting he looked forward to working with everyone; congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber as incoming Mayor Pro Tem, thanked everyone for attending, and invited the attendees, after the adjournment of the meeting, to join the City Council in the Community Room for a reception.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:06 p.m., on a motion by Councilmember Schwarz, second by Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber, the City Council unanimously consented to adjourn to 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 11, 2013, for a Regular Meeting of the City Council in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center, with a Closed Session at 5:00 p.m. The Civic Center is located at 30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California.

Kimberly M. Rodrigues, MPPA, MMC
City Clerk