

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL – OFFICIAL REORGANIZATION
Civic Center – Council Chambers
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California 91301
Tuesday, December 2, 2014
6:00 P.M.

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

The flag salute was led by Junior Girl Scout Troop 7836.

The invocation was led by Mrs. Matty Bryski.

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

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 II Sheila Keckhut, Director of Planning and Community Development Mike Kamino, Assistant Director of Planning and Community Development Doug Hooper, Principal Planner Allison Cook, Associate Planner Valerie Darbouze, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Ramiro Adeva, Administrative Aide John Treichler, Director of Community Services Amy Brink, Recreation Manager Donna Conlin, Recreation Manager Xochitl Ruwhiu, Community Services Coordinator Jacob Broyles, Director of Finance Christy Pinuelas, Administrative Secretary Judy Ptashkin, and City Clerk Kimberly M. Rodrigues.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

INTRODUCTIONS OF DIGNITARIES AND SPECIAL GUESTS

Councilmember Harry Schwarz introduced the dignitaries and special guests, including: former Mayors of the City of Agoura Hills, Ed Corridori, Jack Koenig, Dan Kuperberg, and Joan Yacovone; President Jill Gaines, Board Member Lesli Stein, Superintendent Dan Stepenosky, and former Superintendent Bud Marley, representing the Las Virgenes Unified School District; Principal Brian Mercer, representing Agoura High School; Principal Abbe Irshay, representing Lindero Canyon Middle School, and

Principal Jessica Kiernan, representing Willow Elementary School; Director Barry Steinhardt, Director-Elect Jay Lewitt, and Director of Resource Conservation and Public Outreach Carlos Reyes, representing the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District; Mayor Pro Tem Lucy Martin and Councilmember Mary Sue Maurer, representing the City of Calabasas; President/CEO Jill Lederer and Manager of Government Affairs and Tourism Adam Haverstock, representing the Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce; Special Guest, former Mayor Louise Rishoff, who will administer the Oaths of Office; Captain Pat Devoran and Lost Hills/Malibu Sheriff's Station staff; and Assistant Fire Chief Anthony Whittle and staff.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public speakers.

2014 CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

A. Outgoing Mayor's Remarks

Mayor Koehler gave his remarks as outgoing Mayor.

B. Presentations to Outgoing Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber introduced the presenters. Presentations to outgoing Mayor William D. Koehler were made by: President Jill Gaines, Board Member Lesli Stein, Superintendent Dan Stepenosky, and Principal Brian Mercer and PFC President Debbie Lopez of Agoura High School, representing the Las Virgenes Unified School District; Director Barry Steinhardt, representing the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District; Sarah Tamor representing the newly elected Los Angeles County Supervisor, Third District, Sheila Kuehl and the Honorable Senator Fran Pavley; President/CEO Jill Lederer and Manager of Government Affairs and Tourism Adam Haverstock, representing the Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce; followed by Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber presenting cards on behalf of the City Council and City of Agoura Hills staff, noting that the artwork normally presented to the outgoing Mayor has been generously donated by Mayor Koehler for display at the new Agoura Hills Recreation and Event Center.

C. Election of New Mayor

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

D. Election of New Mayor Pro Tem

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

E. Introduction of Ms. Louise Rishoff

Councilmember Edelston introduced Ms. Louise Rishoff.

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

Ms. Louise Rishoff administered the Oaths of Office to incoming Mayor Illece Buckley Weber and Mayor Pro Tem Harry Schwarz.

G. Incoming Mayor's Remarks

Councilmember Koehler introduced Mayor Illece Buckley Weber who gave her incoming remarks.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Edelston acknowledged William D. Koehler on his commitment, dedication, and responsible leadership as Mayor this past year and congratulated Mayor Buckley Weber on her election, stating that he looked forward to working with her in the upcoming year.

Councilmember Weber acknowledged William D. Koehler for his service and welcomed and congratulated Mayor Buckley Weber on her efforts to lead the City.

Councilmember Koehler also echoed the Council's comments and applauded Mayor Buckley Weber's proposed efforts towards making the community a better place to live.

Mayor Pro Tem Schwarz also thanked William D. Koehler for his service as Mayor this last year and congratulated Mayor Buckley Weber on her election and spoke about supporting her goals to beautify the City.

Mayor Buckley Weber thanked former Mayor Koehler for being so inclusive in inviting her to participate in events last year and indicated she was ready to move forward with the vision for the City, invited the attendees, after the adjournment of the meeting, to join the City Council in the Community Room for a reception, and thanked staff for the drought tolerant centerpieces.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:46 p.m., on a motion by Councilmember Edelston, second by Mayor Pro Tem Schwarz, the City Council unanimously consented to adjourn to 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 10, 2014, 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