

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL
Civic Center – Council Chambers
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California 91301
Wednesday, March 14, 2018
6:00 P.M.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Cub Scout Pack 227.

Present were: Mayor William D. Koehler, Mayor Pro Tem Linda L. Northrup, Councilmember Illece Buckley Weber, Councilmember Harry Schwarz, and Councilmember Denis Weber.

Also Present were: City Manager Greg Ramirez, Assistant City Manager Nathan Hamburger, Deputy City Manager Louis Celaya, Building Official Amir Hamidzadeh, Director of Community Services Amy Brink, Director of Finance Christy Pinuelas, Planning Director Doug Hooper, and City Clerk Kimberly M. Rodrigues.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Lee reported on the two City Council Closed Session items, pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9 and 54956.96. The City Council considered the items, direction was given to staff, and no reportable action was taken.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Councilmember Schwarz moved to approve the Agenda, as presented. Councilmember Buckley Weber seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following voice vote:

AYES: Mayor Koehler, Mayor Pro Tem Northrup, and Councilmembers Buckley Weber, Schwarz, and Weber.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL, SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE, & DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce Manager of Government & Economic Affairs, Adam Haverstock, provided a Chamber update.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public speakers.

CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public speakers.

ACTION: Mayor Pro Tem Northrup moved to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1-4, as presented. Councilmember Weber seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following voice vote:

AYES: Mayor Koehler, Mayor Pro Tem Northrup, and Councilmembers Buckley Weber, Schwarz, and Weber.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

1. Approve Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of February 28, 2018
2. Approve Demand Warrant Register No. 784
3. Approve Treasurer's Report for January 2018
4. Approve 2017 General Plan Housing Element Annual Progress Report

DISCUSSION / ACTION

5. Discussion Regarding Story Pole Procedures and Consideration to Adopt **Resolution No. 18-1862**; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING STORY POLE PROCEDURES FOR VARIOUS TYPES OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Following presentation of the staff report, Mayor Koehler opened the floor for public comment.

The following person spoke(s):

Mary Wiesbrock, Agoura Hills, representing Save Open Space (*in favor*)
Larry Brown, Agoura Hills, representing PRISMM (*in favor*)

Chris Anstead, Agoura Hills (*in favor*)
Deborah Lopez, Agoura Hills (*in favor*)
Ted Snyder, representing Symphony Development (*opposed*)

There were no further speakers.

Following deliberation by the City Council, modifications were made to the Story Pole Procedures based on City Council approval, and as recommended by the City Attorney as follows, to accurately reflect the intent of the City Council:

Applicability

Story poles shall be installed by the applicant for development projects that require a discretionary permit or other entitlement that must be approved by the Planning Commission and/or City Council and meet one of the following criteria:

- 1) *All projects in the Agoura Village Specific Plan area;*
- 2) *All **new** commercial, office, industrial, multi-family or mixed-use projects on vacant lots;*
- 3) *All **new** commercial, office, industrial, multi-family or mixed-use projects **either:** (a) requiring a building height or yard/setback Variance; (b) requesting an increase in the height of an existing building; or (c) requesting an increase in the footprint of an existing building;*
- 4) *All **new** commercial, office, industrial, multi-family or mixed-use projects on hillside lots (10% or greater average topographic slope);*
- 5) *All **new** commercial, office, industrial, multi-family or mixed-use projects on lots with unique topographic features (e.g., knoll, creek, significant oak tree cover, etc.), as determined by the Planning Director; or*
- 6) *All **new** single-family residential projects requiring a building height or yard/setback Variance, at the discretion of the Planning Director.*

Waiver from Story Pole Installation

*The Planning Director is authorized to consider a **request for a waiver of or a modify modification to** the story pole requirement for particular projects **in the following very limited circumstances:***

- 1) *The Planning Director **will only may** grant a waiver request **only** if the **story pole** installation poses a health or safety risk; **or***

2) The Planning Director may modify the length of time the story poles must remain on a property or if unique site constraints exist, impact the extent or duration of the installation, and upon and in the case of such modification, the applicant shall be subject to conditions of approval as determined by the Planning Director.

The Planning Director's decision on a **story pole waiver or modification** request is final.

ACTION: Councilmember Northrup moved to adopt **Resolution No. 18-1862**, as modified. Councilmember Buckley Weber seconded. The motion carried 4-1, with Councilmember Weber opposed, by the following voice vote:

AYES: Mayor Koehler, Mayor Pro Tem Northrup, and Councilmembers Buckley Weber and Schwarz.

NOES: Councilmember Weber.

ABSENT: None.

CITY COUNCIL, STAFF COMMENTS

There were no comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Koehler announced the next Regular Meeting of the City Council would be at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 28, 2018, 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.

ACTION: At 7:39 p.m., Councilmember Schwarz moved to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Northrup seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following voice vote:

AYES: Mayor Koehler, Mayor Pro Tem Northrup, and Councilmembers Buckley Weber, Schwarz, and Weber.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.