

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING – VIDEO CONFERENCE
FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 AND 2020-20 MID-CYCLE BUDGET REVIEW
AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL
Civic Center – Council Chambers
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California 91301
Wednesday, April 29, 2020
4:00 p.m.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Lopez.

Present were: Mayor Illece Buckley Weber, Mayor Pro Tem Denis Weber, Councilmember Chris Anstead, Councilmember Deborah Klein Lopez, and Councilmember Linda L. Northrup.

Also Present were: City Manager Greg Ramirez, City Attorney Candice K. Lee, Assistant City Manager Nathan Hamburger, Deputy City Manager Louis Celaya, Director of Finance Christy Pinuelas, Community Development Director Ramiro Adeva, Director of Planning Doug Hooper, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Jessica Forte, Building Official Amir Hamidzadeh, Director of Community Services Amy Brink, Executive Assistant Amber Victoria, and City Clerk Kimberly M. Rodrigues.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Mayor Pro Tem Weber moved to approve the Agenda, as presented. Councilmember Northrup seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Buckley Weber, Mayor Pro Tem Weber, and Councilmembers Anstead, Lopez, and Northrup.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments for items on the Agenda.

DISCUSSION / ACTION

1. Discussion of Fiscal Year 2019/20 and 2020/21 Mid-Cycle Budget Review

City Manager Ramirez requested, following the presentation, *“that the City Council consider a recommendation/motion that all departmental budgets and goals, set by the Council a year ago, be sent back to subcommittee for review for possible*

project deferrals and/or cuts, and that no additional goals and/or major projects be added to the budget at this time”.

Following presentation of the staff report and deliberation by the City Council, Mayor Buckley Weber noted all the goals would be sent to the respective subcommittees for review and comments would be brought back for City Council consideration at the Special Meeting on Wednesday, May 20, 2020.

ACTION: Councilmember Northrup moved to *“take all of the budget goals that we approved at the end of our last goal-setting session and resubmit those goals as approved to the respective subcommittees to which they are applicable; that each subcommittee review those goals with a view toward what deferments, cuts, or eliminations would be necessary to help us achieve our goal of a balanced budget with all of the projected cuts; and that no new goals would come out except to the extent that they are balanced by deferrals or elimination of previously existing goals and also that they be related to, basically, what we’re going through with COVID-19; that any new goals not only have to be balanced, but I would propose that they be directly related to getting the City residents and businesses through the COVID-19 crisis”.* Mayor Pro Tem Weber seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Buckley Weber, Mayor Pro Tem Weber, and Councilmembers Anstead, Lopez, and Northrup.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

COUNCIL, STAFF COMMENTS

Councilmember Northrup thanked all the local businesses and residents for their efforts to comply with all the (COVID-19) guidelines and recommendations.

Councilmember Lopez shared that she and her daughter had taken the Art in Public Places tour and would be posting their pictures and videos on the web, and encouraged everyone to be safe.

Councilmember Anstead thanked the local essential businesses for continuing to operate in this environment and encouraged the residents to be patient; reported that he had listened to the Las Virgenes Unified School District’s discussion for their end-of-the-year plans and thanked everyone for their great work on distance learning for students; and gave a “shout out” to the high school seniors this year.

Mayor Buckley Weber spoke about the guidelines and protocols for the take-out restaurants and businesses, encouraged residents to be patient, noted that the City parks remain open, reported that the City is on weekly calls with other agencies and everybody

is working on safe, sustainable, reopening plans, and encouraged everyone continue to stay home, wear face coverings, and practice social distancing.

Mayor Pro Tem Weber gave a “shout out” to the City of Malibu for their COVID-19 testing and shared his experience getting tested.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Buckley Weber announced the next Regular Meeting of the City Council would be held at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 13, 2020, in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center. The meeting would be held by video conference and in-person attendance by the public in the Council Chambers will be permitted.

ACTION: At 4:58 p.m., Councilmember Lopez moved to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Weber seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Buckley Weber, Mayor Pro Tem Weber, and Councilmembers Anstead, Lopez, and Northrup.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

Kimberly M. Rodrigues, MPPA, MMC
City Clerk