

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING (IN-PERSON AND VIDEO CONFERENCE)**  
**AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL**  
Civic Center – Council Chambers  
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California 91301  
**Wednesday, October 12, 2022**  
**6:00 p.m.**

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Sylvester.

Present were: Mayor Deborah Klein Lopez, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Anstead, Councilmember Illece Buckley Weber, Councilmember Penny Sylvester, and Councilmember Denis Weber.

Also Present were: City Manager Nathan Hamburger, City Attorney Candice K. Lee, Assistant City Manager Ramiro Adeva, Deputy City Manager Louis Celaya, Media Analyst Ericka Diaz, Administrative Analyst John Treichler, Community Development Director Denice Thomas, Building Official Lukas Quach, CivicSpark Fellow Mary Graham, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Jessica Forte, Director of Finance Christy Truelsen, Director Amy Brink, Executive Assistant Amber Victoria, and City Clerk Kimberly M. Rodrigues.

**REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION**

City Attorney Lee reported on the City Council Closed Session item, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8. The City Council considered the item, direction was given to staff, and no reportable action was taken.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None

**PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Lopez introduced former Councilmember/Mayor Linda L. Northrup, highlighting her many contributions during her years of service to the City of Agoura Hills, and then

introduced each presenter. Presentations were made by: District Director Tessa Charnofsky, representing Supervisor Sheila Kuehl; Mayor Paul Grasanti, representing the City of Malibu; Councilmember Claudia Bill-de la Pena, representing the City of Thousand Oaks; Board President Linda Menges and Vice President Lesli Stein, representing the Las Virgenes Unified School District; Public Affairs and Communications Manager Mike McNutt, representing the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District; former Agoura Hills Councilmember/Mayor Bill Koehler, representing the Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce; Captain Jennifer Seetoo and Lieutenant Roman Foss, representing the Lost Hills Sheriff's Station; followed by Mayor Lopez presenting certificates of recognition on behalf of Congressman Ted W. Lieu and Senator Henry Stern and plaques on behalf of the Cities of Calabasas, Hidden Hills, and Westlake Village, noting a scroll from the Los Angeles County Fire Department would be delivered at a later date, and presented gifts on behalf of the City of Agoura Hills City Council and staff. Following presentations, the City Council made their congratulatory remarks and Linda L. Northrup made her outgoing remarks.

### **INTERGOVERNMENTAL, SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE, & DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

In celebration of the City of Agoura Hills 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – 40 Facts for 40 Years, Mayor Lopez presented two facts about Agoura Hills including: 1) the area was one of the stops in California on the famous Pony Express Route of the 1860s and Reyes Adobe Days was formerly known as Pony Express, an annual western-themed parade that honored the history of the Pony Express, and 2) Lapworth Castle was built, over a 30-year period beginning in 1929, by Englishman Charles Lapworth who purchased 10 acres of Las Virgenes Rancho to build his family's dream home. Much of the home was built using scraps and salvage from other construction sites and the house has also served as a desirable Hollywood set for westerns and thrillers.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The following persons provided in-person live testimony:

Jason Aiken, Agoura Hills  
Larry Brown, Agoura Hills

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were no public comments.

**ACTION:** Councilmember Buckley Weber moved to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1-7, as presented. Councilmember Weber seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

**NOES:** None.

ABSENT: None.

1. Approve Minutes of the Special City Council Budget Workshop of June 8, 2022
2. Approve Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of June 8, 2022
3. Approve Demand Warrant Register No. 880
4. Approve and Make AB 361 Findings for Special Brown Act Requirements for Teleconference Meetings
5. Approve Rejection of Claim for Damages – Tamara Levine
6. Approve Rejection of Claim for Damages – Stacie Riley
7. Adopt **Ordinance No. 22-464**; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING CHAPTER 7 (PEDDLING) OF ARTICLE IV (PUBLIC PEACE) AND AMENDING ARTICLE VI (TAXES; LICENSES; BUSINESS REGULATIONS) OF THE AGOURA HILLS MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 7 REGARDING SIDEWALK VENDING REGULATIONS CONSISTENT WITH STATE LAW AND MAKING A DETERMINATION OF EXEMPTION UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (MCA-2022-0001 Sidewalk Vending Ordinance Municipal Code Amendment)

### **ORDINANCE / ACTION**

8. Introduce, Read in Title Only, and Waive Further Reading of **Ordinance No. 22-465**; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2022 EDITION OF THE CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS CODE COMPRISED OF THE 2022 EDITIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE, BUILDING, RESIDENTIAL, ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL, PLUMBING, ENERGY, HISTORICAL BUILDING, FIRE, EXISTING BUILDING, GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS, AND REFERENCED STANDARDS CODES, AND THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, AND AMENDING ARTICLES III and VIII OF THE AGOURA HILLS MUNICIPAL CODE; and Set a Public Hearing for November 9, 2022

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

There were no public speakers.

**ACTION:** Councilmember Buckley Weber moved to introduce, read by title only, and waive further reading of **Ordinance No. 22-465** and to set a Public Hearing for November 9, 2022. Councilmember Weber seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following voice vote:

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

### **COUNCIL, STAFF COMMENTS**

Community Development Director Denice Thomas announced the City had received a letter today from the California Department Housing and Community Development (HCD) that the City's Housing Element was certified.

Councilmember Buckley Weber congratulated staff on a successful Reyes Adobe Days and spoke about the issues occurring with the inappropriate actions of the elected officials in the City of Los Angeles and encouraged "everyone to get out and vote."

Councilmember Sylvester thanked staff for Reyes Adobe Days and reported she and Assistant City Manager Adeva had joined Yerba Buena Elementary School students today for International Walk to School Day.

Mayor Lopez spoke about and thanked staff for the Reyes Adobe Days event and announced the City's upcoming 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration scheduled for October 23, 2022, and the State of the City on October 26, 2022.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Lopez announced the next Regular Meeting of the City Council at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center. It is anticipated that members of the public will have the opportunity to participate in-person in the Council Chambers or by remote video conferencing (Zoom).

ACTION: At 8:03 p.m., Councilmember Weber moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Sylvester seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.