

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING (IN-PERSON AND VIDEO CONFERENCE)
AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL
Civic Center – Council Chambers
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California 91301
Wednesday, January 11, 2023
6:00 p.m.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Wolf.

Present were: Mayor Pro Tem Illece Buckley Weber, Councilmember Deborah Klein Lopez, Councilmember Penny Sylvester, and Councilmember Jeremy Wolf.

Absent was: Mayor Anstead (*joined the meeting at 6:09 p.m.*)

Also Present were: City Manager Nathan Hamburger, City Attorney Candice K. Lee, Assistant City Manager Ramiro Adeva, Deputy City Manager Louis Adeva, Waste Management Consultant Kim Nilsson, Management Analyst Amber Victoria, Administrative Analyst John Treichler, Media Analyst Ericka Diaz, Director of Community Development Denice Thomas, Principal Planner Jessica Cleavenger, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Jessica Forte, Building Official Lukas Quach, CivicSpark Fellow Mary Graham, ID360 Consultant Melanie Jacobson, Southern California Edison Senior Policy Advisor Joshua Torres, Director of Finance Christy Truelsen, Director of Community Services Amy Brink, and Kimberly M. Rodrigues, City Clerk.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

No Closed Session was held.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Councilmember Lopez moved to approve the Agenda, as presented. Councilmember Sylvester seconded. The motion carried 4-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Anstead.

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL, SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE, & DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

There were no reports.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following person submitted written public comments (in-person):

Tracy Smith, Agoura Hills

Mayor Anstead joined the meeting at this point.

The following person(s) provided in-person live testimony.

Patricia Adirim, Agoura Hills
Joyce Klein, Agoura Hills, representing the Terraces Development
Laura Leininger, Agoura Hills
Bart Leininger, Agoura Hills
Dennis Damiano, Agoura Hills
Andrew Gardner, Agoura Hills
Hooman Lahooti, Agoura Hills
Daniel Bennett, Agoura Hills
Bill Lazarus, Agoura Hills
Marvin Natlin, Agoura Hills (*submitted photographs*)

CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public comments.

Councilmember Lopez thanked the Finance Department for their work on Item No. 3 and acknowledged the residents who applied for the Planning Commission (Item No. 6).

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

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber congratulated the new Planning Commission appointees.

1. Approve Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of June 22, 2022
2. Approve Demand Warrant Register No. 884
3. Receive and File the City of Agoura Hills Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2022
4. Approve Appointments by the Mayor to City Council Subcommittees and Ad Hoc Committees
5. Approve Appointments to Outside Agency Boards, Commissions, or Committees
6. Approve Planning Commission Appointments

ORDINANCE / ACTION

7. Waive Full Reading and Introduce **Ordinance No. 23-466**; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE 2022 CALIFORNIA GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE TO ESTABLISH THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS REACH CODE AND ADOPT ALL-ELECTRIC BUILDING REQUIREMENTS

Following presentation of the staff report, and a question and answer period, Mayor Anstead opened the floor for public comment.

Following distribution of the Agenda Packet, and prior to the City Council Meeting, written correspondence was received from the following person(s), forwarded to the City Council, and made available for public review.

*Bennett Liss, Oak Park
Fran Pavley, Agoura Hills
Fataneh Tabatabai, Agoura Hills
Hilary Waldinger
Allen Weiner, representing 350 Conejo/San Fernando Valley*

ACTION: Following deliberations, Illece Buckley Weber moved to 1) waive full reading and introduce **Ordinance No. 23-466**, 2) find the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act in accordance with Sections 15308 and 15061(b)(3), and 3) exclude Exception 2. Councilmember Lopez seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

City Attorney Lee clarified, for the record, that Exception 2 of the staff report removes Exception No. 4 under Subsection 4.106.5 of the CALGreen Code which is a part of Section 8215.2 of the Agoura Hills Municipal Code and that will be removed as part of the City Council's motion (see excerpt below).

“8215.2 All-Electric Buildings – Residential

New Subsection 4.106.5 is hereby added to CALGreen to read as follows:

4.106.5 All-Electric Buildings. *Newly Constructed Buildings shall be designed and constructed as All-Electric Buildings.*

Exceptions:

1. *Attached Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) or Junior ADU (JADU).*
2. *Swimming pools and spas.*
3. *Rebuilding of existing residential units after a natural disaster such as wildfires, floods, earthquakes, etc.*
4. ~~**Multifamily residential building projects that have approved entitlements before the effective date may use fuel gas for water heating systems.”**~~

DISCUSSION / ACTION

8. Discussion to Approve a Rate Escalation Increase (3.0%) for Residential Solid Waste Services for 2023, with GI Industries/Waste Management, and to Consider Requests for Approval of an Additional Solid Waste Rate Adjustment, Valet Service Fees, and Organics Contamination Fee for 2023 and a Franchise Agreement Extension to June 30, 2027

Deputy City Manager Celaya noted a few administrative changes to the Valet Services Request table.

Following presentation of the staff report, and a question and answer period, Mayor Anstead opened the floor for public comment.

The following person(s) provided in-person live testimony:

Justin Honsinger, representing Waste Management
Sandra Pursley, representing Waste Management

There was no further public testimony.

Councilmember Wolf recused himself from participation on this item, as he resided in the Annandale complex, stepped down from the Council dais, and exited the Council Chambers at 8:59 p.m.

Following deliberations, it was City Council consensus (*Mayor Anstead, Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber, and Councilmembers Lopez and Sylvester*) to continue discussions on

the Valet Service Fee and Organics Contamination Fee and the items will be brought back to the City Council for consideration at a later date.

ACTION: Following discussion, Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber moved to approve Waste Management's Franchise Agreement Extension Request Option to June 30, 2027. Councilmember Sylvester seconded. The motion carried 4-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: Councilmember Wolf.

ACTION: Following discussion, Councilmember Sylvester moved to receive and file the report for the solid waste rate escalation increase (3.0%) for residential solid waste services for 2023. Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber seconded. The motion carried 4-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: Councilmember Wolf.

ACTION: Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber moved to approve the Solid Waste Rate Adjustment request submitted by Waste Management. Councilmember Lopez seconded. The motion carried 4-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: Councilmember Wolf.

Councilmember Wolf rejoined the meeting at 9:16 p.m.

COUNCIL, STAFF COMMENTS

Councilmember Lopez wished everyone a Happy New Year and spoke about the City's upcoming (The Good Life Agoura Hills) podcast with Waste Management on SB 1383

and encouraged residents to watch the podcasts as they are full of helpful content and *“the intros are really something.”*

Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Councilmember Wolf stated that he looked forward to working with the City and congratulated Mayor Anstead on his first meeting as Mayor.

Councilmember Sylvester wished everyone a Happy New Year and welcomed Councilmember Wolf to the City Council.

ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Meeting of the City Council would be held at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, 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 9:18 p.m., Councilmember Lopez moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Sylvester seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

Kimberly M. Rodrigues, MPPA, MMC
City Clerk