

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING (IN-PERSON AND VIDEO CONFERENCE)
AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL
Civic Center – Council Chambers
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California 91301
Wednesday, May 24, 2023
6:00 p.m.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Girl Scout Troop 176.

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

Also Present were: City Manager Nathan Hamburger, City Attorney Candice K. Lee, Assistant City Manager Ramiro Adeva, Deputy City Manager Louis Celaya, Management Analyst Amber Victoria, Administrative Analyst John Treichler, Media Analyst Ericka Diaz, Building Official Lukas Quach, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Jessica Forte, Director of Finance Christy Truelsen, Director of Community Services Amy Brink, Recreation Manager Xochitl Ruwhiu, 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 54957. The City Council considered the item, direction was given to staff, and no reportable action was taken.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber moved to approve the Agenda, as presented. 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.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Anstead presented a Proclamation recognizing Nathan (Nate) Spiewak as Agoura Hills Senior Citizen of the Year and Los Angeles County Older American Nominee.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL, SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE, & DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce Director of Government Affairs & Tourism, Adam Haverstock, provided a Chamber Update. Following his presentation, Mayor Anstead presented a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of his 10 years of outreach and dedication to supporting and promoting the City of Agoura Hills. The City Council expressed their appreciation for his services and wished him the very best in his future endeavors.

Councilmember Sylvester provided a Las Virgenes/Malibu Council of Governments Update.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber requested Item No. 4 be pulled for discussion.

ACTION: Councilmember Sylvester moved to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1-3 and 5-11, as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber 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.

1. Approve Minutes of the Special Goal Setting Workshop of May 10, 2023
2. Approve Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of May 10, 2023
3. Approve Demand Warrant Register No. 892
4. **Item Pulled for Discussion**
5. Approve Notice of Completion, with Toro Enterprises, Inc., for the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Pavement Rehabilitation Project; NIB 22-01
6. Approve Award of Contract, to Mission Paving and Sealing, Inc., for the Fiscal Year 2023-34 Pavement Rehabilitation Project; NIB 23-01
7. Authorization to Purchase Replacement Flooring for the Agoura Hills Recreation and Event Center

8. Approve First Amendment to the Franchise Agreement, with G.I. Industries, for Integrated Exclusive Residential Waste Management Services
9. Approve Agreement for Consultant Services, with ID360, to Assist with the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP) Implementation
10. Adopt **Resolution No. 23-2034**; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 SB 1: ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT PROJECT LIST
11. Adopt **Resolution No. 23-2035**; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND MORRISON PARK PLAY EQUIPMENT RENOVATION PROJECT

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM – PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

4. Approve Request to Amend the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget to Appropriate Surface Transportation Program – Local (STPL) Funds for Additional Weed Abatement Services

Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber stated that she had pulled the item for discussion regarding the use of Roundup in Old Agoura and deferred to staff for an update.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Jessica Forte reported that staff had worked with the consultant and Roundup would not be used to control the invasive Tree of Heaven (defined as a “noxious weed”) and instead, two alternative herbicides (Garlon 4 and Polaris) would be used, explained the application process of the herbicides to the trees, noting that West Coast Arborist would be trimming the trees and their licensed agricultural pest control advisor would be applying the herbicides, and recommended moving forward with the staff recommendation to include the appropriate budget from the STPL funds and move forward with the project in June in order to reduce the risk of the tree(s) spreading seeds.

There were no public comments.

ACTION: Following discussion, Councilmember Lopez moved to approve Consent Calendar Item No. 4, as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber 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.

COUNCIL, STAFF COMMENTS

Councilmember Sylvester spoke about the accessible playground at Morrison Park and gave a “shout out” to the City for the role it played in the Sheila (James) Kuehl Nature Preserve at Ladyface Mountain.

Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber thanked the City, and all the agencies involved, for their hard work in the preservation of Triangle Ranch and reported that she and Councilmember Wolf had attended the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority dedication of the Sheila James Kuehl Nature Preserve at Ladyface Mountain, and noted the City of Agoura Hills is listed on the landmark sign located just past Cornell Road (on the right).

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Anstead announced the Special Meeting of the City Council Budget Workshop would be held at 4:00 p.m., followed by the Regular Meeting of the City Council at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center. Members of the public will have the opportunity to participate in-person in the Council Chambers or by remote video conferencing (Zoom).

ACTION: At 6:45 p.m., Councilmember Sylvester moved to adjourn the meeting. 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.

Kimberly M. Rodrigues, MPPA, MMC
City Clerk