

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING (IN-PERSON AND VIDEO CONFERENCE)**  
**AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL**  
Civic Center – Council Chambers  
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California 91301  
**Wednesday, August 9, 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 Councilmember Lopez.

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 Adeva, Management Analyst Amber Victoria, RMG Communications Consultant Rachel Dickman, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Jessica Forte, Director of Finance Christy Truelsen, Finance Manager Brenda Cho, Director of Community Services Amy Brink, and City Clerk Kimberly M. Rodrigues.

**REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION**

No Closed Session was held.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

ACTION: Councilmember Sylvester 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.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

**PRESENTATIONS**

There were no presentations.

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

Library Manager Nina Hull introduced the new Children’s Librarian, Ria Elias who made a few introductory remarks.

Director of Community Services Brink provided a Reyes Adobe Days Update, including a promotional video from last year’s event.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were no public comments.

**ACTION:** Councilmember Lopez moved to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1-7, 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.

**ABSTAIN:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

1. Approve Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of July 12, 2023
2. Approve Demand Warrant Register No. 896
3. Approve Treasurer’s Report for June 2023
4. Approve Rejection of Claim for Damages – Harry Sullivan c/o Michael Parker Law
5. Approve First Amendment to Agreement for Consultant Services, with Foster & Foster Consulting Actuaries, Inc., for Actuarial Services to Value Other Post-Employment Benefits in Compliance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75 and Actuarial Information for CalPERS Cost-Sharing Plans
6. Approve Agreement for Consultant Services, with Geodynamics, Inc., for Geotechnical Review Services for Fiscal Years 2023-2025
7. Approve Agreement for Consultant Services, with Willdan Engineering, for Professional Engineering Services

## **DISCUSSION / ACTION**

8. Update on City's Communications Program and Discussion to Consider Approval of First Amendment to Agreement for Consultant Services, with RMG Communications, to Conduct an In-Depth Website Analysis

Following a presentation of the staff report, including a presentation from RMG Communications Consultant Dickman, Mayor Anstead opened the floor for public comments.

There were no public comments.

Following deliberations, Mayor Anstead called for a motion and second to approve the staff recommendation to approve the First Amendment to the Agreement for Consultant Services with RMG Communications.

**ACTION:** Councilmember Lopez moved to approve the staff recommendation. 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.

**ABSTAIN:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

## **COUNCIL, STAFF COMMENTS**

Councilmember Sylvester spoke about the Summer Art Show held at the Agoura Hills Recreation and Event Center, shared she had purchased a beautiful print of Ladyface Mountain for her home, and reported attending the "Cheeseboro" Trailhead opening.

Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber spoke about the "Cheeseboro" Trailhead ribbon cutting ceremony and expressed her appreciation towards staff for always treating the National Park Service, including the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and MRCA, as a top priority, shared the accolades received by the Superintendent of National Parks towards staff, and extended prayers and best wishes to all the residents and visitors involved in the Maui and Big Island (Hawaii) wildfires.

Councilmember Lopez spoke about the beautiful amenities and upgrades at the "Cheeseboro" Trailhead, including the shade covers, accessible restrooms, and equestrian parking, and encouraged residents to visit the site, noted she was "*super proud of our partnership*" and extended her thanks to staff for their work on the project, and sent "*our love*" to those (all over) affected by wildfires, including Canada and Hawaii.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Anstead announced the next Regular Meeting of the City Council would be held at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, August 23, 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 6:41 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Buckley Weber 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.

**ABSTAIN:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

Kimberly M. Rodrigues, MPPA, MMC  
City Clerk