

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL
Civic Center – Council Chambers
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California 91301
Wednesday, March 27, 2024
6:00 p.m.

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

Mayor Buckley Weber announced the Land Acknowledgement.

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

Present were: Mayor Illece Buckley Weber, Mayor Pro Tem Penny Sylvester, Councilmember Chris Anstead, Councilmember Deborah Klein Lopez, 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, Waste Management Consultant Kim Nilsson, Management Analyst Amber Victoria, Executive Assistant Michele Hubbs, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Jessica Forte, and City Clerk Kimberly M. Rodrigues.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Buckley Weber announced no reportable action was taken on the City Council Closed Session item pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Buckley Weber presented a Certificate of Recognition, honoring Blue Table as Business of the Month, to owner Gina Marcione.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL, SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE, & DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Mayor Buckley Weber announced the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Advisory Committee meeting was postponed and she would report back next month.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following person spoke:

Jodi Regan, Agoura Hills, representing The Great Race

CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public comments.

ACTION: Councilmember Wolf moved to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1-10, as presented. Councilmember Anstead seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

1. Approve Minutes of the Special City Council Goal Setting Workshop of March 13, 2024
2. Approve Minutes of the Regular City Council and Agoura Hills Improvement Authority Meeting of March 13, 2024
3. Approve Demand Warrant Register No. 909
4. Approve Treasurer's Report for January 2024
5. Approve Award of Contract, with DBX, Inc., for the Reyes Adobe Road High-Intensity Activated Crosswalk (HAWK) Project; NIB 23-04
6. Approve Design Professional Consultant Services Agreement, with Rick Engineering Company, for the Citywide Creek Naturalization Study
7. Approve Sales Order, with Tuff Shed, for a Vehicle Storage Shed for the City Communications Van 2024
8. Approve 2023 General Plan Housing Element Annual Progress Report

9. Approve 2023 General Plan Annual Progress Report
10. Adopt **Resolution No. 24-2059**; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE ADOPTED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 ADOPTED ON JUNE 28, 2023

DISCUSSION / ACTION

11. Discussion to Receive and File Report for Approval of Waste Management Residential Solid Waste Rate Escalation Increase (3.0%) and Consider a Request from Waste Management for an Additional Solid Waste Rate Adjustment for 2024

Following presentation of the staff report, and a question and answer period of staff, Mayor Buckley Weber called up Waste Management representative, Justin Honsinger, to respond to City Council questions.

Mayor Buckley Weber then opened the floor for public comments.

There were no public comments.

Following deliberations, Mayor Buckley Weber called for a motion and second to approve the staff recommendation to: 1) receive and file the report for the solid waste rate escalation increase (3%) for residential solid waste services for 2024, and 2) approve the additional Solid Waste Rate Adjustment (2%) increase submitted by Waste Management.

ACTION: Councilmember Lopez moved to approve the staff recommendation. Mayor Pro Tem Sylvester seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

CITY COUNCIL, STAFF COMMENTS

Deputy City Manager Celaya announced grant funding was still available for the Home Hardening Wildlife Resiliency Incentive Grant Program and encouraged residents to participate. Councilmember Lopez suggested contacting participants for a before/after (either a statement or video) testimonial.

Mayor Pro Tem Sylvester announced a virtual town hall meeting would be held on April 4, 2024, to discuss wildfires and homeowners insurance, with California Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara and Assemblymember Jacqui Irwin, and encouraged residents to attend.

Councilmember Lopez announced a Wildlife Crossing Community Workshop would be held on April 11, 2024, in the (Agoura Hills) Community Room, regarding the 101 Freeway lane closures and detours during construction, and thanked staff for use of the room and the communications graphics that would be blasted out regarding the workshop.

Councilmember Wolf presented a trophy and announced the City had won a “*very competitive cornhole game*” with a neighboring city and congratulated City of Agoura Hills and staff on their victory.

Mayor Buckley Weber announced spring had arrived and it is one time of the year when many religions observe special holidays, encouraged everyone to take a moment “*to look at our neighbors and think about what we have in common, rather than our differences,*” and stated that she hoped everyone that celebrates spring enjoys it with their family.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:59 p.m., Mayor Buckley Weber announced the next Regular City Council Meeting would be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center and adjourned the meeting.

Kimberly M. Rodrigues, MPPA, MMC
City Clerk