

MINUTES
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE
DISSOLVED REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, HOUSING AUTHORITY, & COMMUNITY
FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA

Monday April 19, 2021 – Council Workshop

VIA TELECONFERENCE, CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
1600 HUNTINGTON DRIVE, DUARTE, CALIFORNIA 91010

5:30 P.M. WORKSHOP – COUNCIL WORKSHOP

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Via teleconference the 5:30 p.m. City Council Workshop- meeting was called to order by Mayor pro tem Finlay at 5:38 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 1600 Huntington Drive, Duarte, California 91010

ROLL CALL:

Councilmembers Present:	Finlay, Kang, (Lewis arrived 5:42 p.m.), Paras-Caracci, Schulz, Truong
Councilmembers Absent	Urias
Staff Present:	Daniel Jordan, City Manager Kristen Petersen, Assistant City Manager and Director of Administrative Services Victoria Rocha, Assistant to the City Manager Craig Hensley, Community Development Director Manuel Enriquez, Director of Parks and Recreation Brian Villalobos, Director of Public Safety Services, David Cosgrove, City Attorney Annamarie Porter, Interim City Clerk

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Councilmember Kang

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Adopted by unanimous consensus of the Council

4. ORAL COMUNICATIONS – ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA – NONE

5. CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

Representatives from Management Partners, City Council and Staff participated in a workshop to discuss principles for governing, and to establish Council priorities for the coming year.

Discussed were Key Accomplishments such as response to COVID-19, passage of Measure D, residential, commercial and mixed-use developments, working with the City of Hope, improved pedestrian safety, and creating a cohesive management team.

There was a discussion of governance principles, with formalized changes to districted-related principles be adopted by resolution and be included in the agenda.

Recess from 6:49 p.m. – 7:02 p.m.

Discussion resumed regarding the setting of priorities among the following:

1. Maintain City's financial health
2. Address homelessness
3. Support development of housing projects
4. Attract affordable housing projects
5. Apply resources for beautification of the community
6. Encourage revitalization of commercial centers
7. Develop a roadmap to economic recovery for local businesses who are impacted by the pandemic
8. Attract new business into Duarte
9. Develop a stronger relationship with City of Hope; incorporate City of Hope in City's branding

10. Reassess City service delivery methods and incorporate technology to meet future needs
11. Develop multi-use public safety facility in Civic Center
12. Restructure and update City Boards and Commissions
13. Develop a vision/goals for the next five years

Recess from 8:56 p.m. to 9:01 p.m. (Mayor pro tem Finlay returned at 9:05 p.m.)

Facilitator Perkins confirmed Council's conversation to eliminate number 1, as it would be done automatically, and to eliminate number 12, as it could be taken care of by Staff without utilizing many resources.

An anonymous vote was held by Council to select the top 4 of the items as top priorities for FY 2021-22 with top priorities identified as:

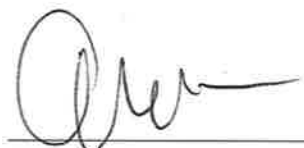
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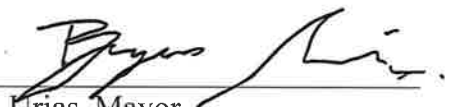
Councilmember Truong left the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Next steps for Staff were identified as Council formalizes direction on priorities, Staff operationalizes priorities, Staff includes priorities in FY 2021-22 budget and a process to monitor progress. Staff would bring forth those steps to Council for adoption by resolution.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT ON WORKSHOP – NONE

7. ADJOURNMENT – at 9:44 p.m.



City Clerk

Bryan Urias, Mayor