

CITY OF DUARTE

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO DISSOLVED REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, THE DUARTE HOUSING AUTHORITY, AND THE DUARTE COMMUNITY FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Finlay called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Councilmembers Present: Kang, Lewis, Schulz, Truong, Garcia, Paras-Caracci, Finlay
Councilmembers Absent: None
Staff Present: Daniel Jordan, City Manager
Thai Viet Phan, Assistant City Attorney
Kristen Peterson, Assistant City Manager / Director of
Administrative Services
Craig Hensley, Community Development Director
Manuel Enriquez, Director of Parks and Recreation
Brian Villalobos, Director of Public Safety Services
Victoria Rocha, Assistant to the City Manager
Annette Juarez, City Clerk

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The flag salute was led by Jade Basulto, Boyscout Troop 360.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councilmember Kang, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Paras-Caracci and carried by the following vote of the Council to approve the adoption of the agenda.

AYES: Kang, Lewis, Schulz, Truong, Garcia, Paras-Caracci, Finlay
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

4. SPECIAL ITEMS

A. Parks and Recreation Update

Director of Parks and Recreation Enriquez announced upcoming community events and activities.

B. Community Development Update

Director of Community Development provided an update on current and upcoming City projects.

5. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Public Hearing to Receive Public Input, Discuss Draft Redistricting Maps, and Identify Focus Maps for Inclusion in the Ordinance to Adopt New District Boundaries for the Duarte City Council; and Scheduling of the Next Public Hearing

Mayor Finlay opened the Public Hearing at 7:16 p.m.

City Clerk Juarez announced that no comments were received.

Public Comment

Lino Paras addressed the Council to express his support of Draft Map 103 and opposition to Map 108.

Steve Hernandez addressed the Council to express his support of Draft Map 108.

Mayor Finlay closed the Public Hearing at 7:23 p.m.

At the request of the Council, Jeff Simonetti, NDC, discussed the differences between Draft Map 101 and Draft Map 103.

City Attorney Phan clarified that draft map must be published to the public for seven calendar days prior to the Council considering the map.

In response to a question posed by the Council, Mr. Simonetti explained that draft maps were created using the Fair Maps Act guidelines.

Mayor Pro-Tem Paras-Caracci made a motion to approve Draft Map 103, Councilmember Schulz seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued regarding Draft Map 101 and Draft Map 103.

Mayor Pro-Tem Paras-Caracci amended the motion to approve Draft Map 103 with an additional edit adding Walmart to District 7 and removing the foot area from District 7 boundaries, and Councilmember Schulz seconded the amended motion.

Mayor Pro-Tem Paras-Caracci withdrew the amended motion.

Mayor Pro-Tem Paras-Caracci made a motion to elevate Draft Map 101 with a revision which adds Walmart to District 7 and elevate Draft Map 103 with an edit adding Walmart to District 7 and removing the foot area from District 7 boundaries, and Councilmember Schulz seconded the motion.

Mayor Finlay presented a substitute motion to elevate Draft Map 108 as the final map, and Councilmember Kang seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued regarding the draft maps.

Councilmember Garcia made a substitute substitute motion to elevate Draft Map 105, the motion was seconded by Mayor Finlay.

Mayor Finlay made an amendment to the motion to elevate Draft Map 108 as a Draft Map, the friendly amendment to the motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia.

In response to a question posed by the Council, Assistant City Attorney Phan provided information regarding the priorities of the Fair Maps Act.

All motions were withdrawn.

Moved by Councilmember Truong, seconded by Councilmember Schulz, and approved by unanimous vote of the Council to elevate Draft Map 101 with an amendment adding Walmart to District 7, elevate Draft Map 108 as is, and elevate Draft Map 105 with an amendment adding Walmart to District 7 for consideration at the next City Council meeting.

AYES: Kang, Lewis, Schulz, Truong, Garcia, Paras-Caracci, Finlay
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

6. SPECIAL ITEMS - CONTINUED

A. Recognition of Duarte's Energy Efficiency Efforts from the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

Bob Cruz, SoCalGas, introduced new Public Affairs Manager, Lanae O'Shields who will be the new City of Duarte representative.

Jeannie Kong, SoCalGas, presented the City of Duarte with a Platinum Tier San Gabriel Valley Energy Champion Award.

B. Recognition of Bob Cruz for Years of Service to the City of Duarte

The City Council recognized Bob Cruz, SoCalGas, for the years of service that he provided to the City of Duarte and congratulated him on his promotion.

The Duarte Chamber of Commerce also recognized Bob Cruz, SoCalGas, for his work and congratulated him on his promotion.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Joanna Gee, Duarte Library, announced upcoming library programs and events.

Assistant to the City Manager Rocha announced upcoming City events.

Financial Services Manager Chiaromonte introduced newly hired Administrative Secretary Pedro Adame. Administrative Secretary Adame expresses his gratitude for the opportunity to work for the City of Duarte.

8. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Lino Paras suggested that the City consider making the Community Center ADA compliant.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Motion to read all Resolutions and ordinances presented for consideration by Title only and waive further reading. (CC/HA/SA/FA)
- B. Approval of absence(s) of City Council member(s) from the City Council meeting.
- C. Approval of minutes – February 22, 2022 Regular Meeting and February 28, 2022, Special Meeting. (CC/HA/SA/FA)
- D. Approval of warrants – March 8, 2022. (CC/HA/SA/FA)
- E. Receive and File the Community Development Status Report for March 2022.
- F. Receive and File the Parks and Recreation Department Status Report for March 2022.
- G. Adoption of Resolution No. 22-10 reauthorizing teleconferenced public meetings pursuant to Assembly Bill 361.

H. Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 907 regarding Municipal Code Amendment 2022-01 establishing definitions and regulations for urban lot splits and duplex developments in single-family residential zones to implement recently enacted state law (Senate Bill 9).

I. Award of contract for city attorney services to Rutan & Tucker.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Paras-Caracci, seconded by Councilmember Schulz, and carried by unanimous vote to approve Items A-I of the Consent Calendar.

AYES: Kang, Lewis, Schulz, Truong, Garcia, Paras-Caracci, Finlay
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

10. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION

None.

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS - CONTINUED

None.

12. BUSINESS ITEMS

- A. Co-sponsorship Request from KID-FIT Preschool Health and Fitness Organization for the KID-FIT Family Fun Run 5K on Saturday, May 21, 2022; and approval of the standard co-sponsorship package which includes the waiving of \$325 in City fees

Michele Silence, KID-FIT Preschool Health and Fitness Organization, provided information about the KID-FIT Family Fun Run 5K; requested that the City co-sponsor the event and waive fees associated with porta pottys, park usage and security; and announced competitions that would take place during the event.

Management Aide Ayala provided background on the KID-FIT Organization; described the Fun Run 5K Map; explained the standard co-sponsorship package; gave a summary of City permit fees and costs; and the fiscal impact.

Director of Public Safety Villalobos discussed street closures and personnel costs. In response to questions posed by the Council he provided information regarding the number of hours that the event will take place and street closures.

Discussion ensued regarding parking accommodations; expenses; suggested organizations for a potential partnership; event insurance; and the City's past sponsorship of the Santa Teresita Hayden Run.

City Attorney Phan clarified insurance requirements for the City; and stated that the City's logo was illegally utilized on an event flier and requested that the organizer cease and desist the use of the flier as it was not an approved use by the Council.

Public Comment

Lino Paras inquired about whether the KID-FIT organization is a 501(c)(3) organization or a for-profit organization; suggested that KID-FIT and the City of Duarte come to a compromise; and expressed his support for Ms. Silence and her company.

Mayor Pro-Tem Paras-Caracci made a motion to approve the standard co-sponsorship package that was offered to the Hayden 5K Run and Family Walk and Roll, which includes the waiving of certain City permit fees, the motion was seconded by Councilmember Kang.

Further discussion ensued regarding the event permit process.

The City Council suggested that the item be presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission for their input and ideas.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Paras-Caracci, seconded by Councilmember Kang and carried by the following vote of the Council, to direct staff to place the item on the Parks and Recreation Commission agenda for discussion and place the item on the March 22, 2022 City Council meeting agenda for further discussion.

AYES: Kang, Lewis, Schulz, Truong, Garcia, Paras-Caracci, Finlay
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

13. CONTINUATION OF ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

**14. ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY/
FINANCING AUTHORITY MEMBERS AND CITY MANAGER/EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR**

City Manager Jordan thanked Management Aide Ayala for her presentation.

City Attorney Phan thanked the Council for approving the city attorney services contract.

Mayor Pro-Tem Paras-Caracci announced that she had a lunch meeting with a member of the Southern California Edison Federal Credit Union to help reconnect the Credit Union with the City; and inquired about when the yellow tape surrounding the Lloyd Gibbons Memorial Bike Rack would be removed.

Councilmember Schulz thanked Director of Public Safety Villalobos for his assistance with getting graffiti removed; thanked Director of Community Development Hensley for filling the potholes on Royal Oaks; expressed her appreciation of Staff and the Council; and announced that Rotary Club is sponsoring a clean-up in memory of Councilmember Bryan Urias and introducing Councilmember Garcia.

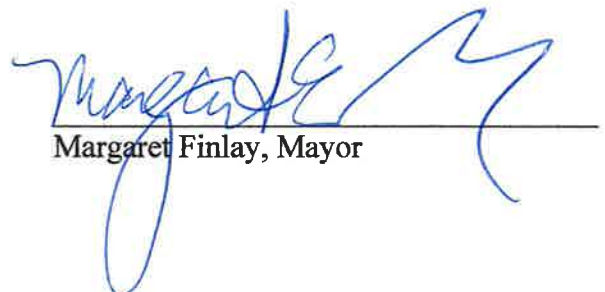
Councilmember Garcia requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Cecilia Velasquez and gave his condolences to her family; and invited everyone to the clean-up at Beardslee Park in memory of Councilmember Urias.

Councilmember Kang requested an update on the progress of a city app; and inquired about a beautification workshop.

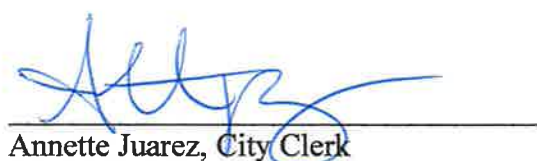
Councilmember Lewis expressed his appreciation of his colleagues; and welcomed City Attorney Phan.

15. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:54 p.m. the City Council adjourned the meeting in memory of Cecilia Velasquez.



Margaret Finlay, Mayor



Annette Juarez, City Clerk