

MINUTES

JOINT CITY COUNCIL/CITY COUNCIL AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO DISSOLVED REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY/COMMUNITY FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF DUARTE REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 11, 2020

CALL TO ORDER	The City Council/City Council as Successor Agency to Dissolved Redevelopment Agency/Housing Authority/Community Facilities Financing Authority of the City of Duarte met in a regular meeting in the Council Chambers, 1600 Huntington Drive, Duarte, California. Mayor Pro Tem Urias called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.
RECORDATION OF ATTENDANCE	The following were in attendance: PRESENT: Fasana, Finlay, Lewis, Paras-Caracci (arrived during Closed Session, left at 8:59 p.m.), Reilly, Urias, Kang (arrived during Closed Session) ABSENT: None ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: Interim Successor City Manager Enriquez, City Attorney Cosgrove
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Finlay moved, Fasana seconded to adopt the Agenda, and carried unanimously by those present.
CLOSED SESSION Existing Litigation – Two items	There was no public input. The first Closed Session item was pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) and (d)(1) regarding an existing rate case filed by California American Water Company with the California Public Utilities Commission, Application No. 19-07-004 (Filed July 1, 2019.) The second Closed Session was pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) and (d)(1) regarding the Cities of Duarte and Huntington Park v. State Water Resources Control Board, et al, OCSC Case No. 30-2016-00833614-CU-WM-CJC (Related Case No. 30-2016-00833722). The Closed Session concluded at 7:10 p.m. City Council reconvened at 7:24 p.m., with all members present.
PLEDGE TO THE FLAG	Peggy Diamond led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
MOMENT OF REFLECTION	Reilly provided a moment of reflection.
FITNESS/MENTAL WARM-UP	Finlay provided the warm-up.
PUBLIC REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION	Cosgrove reported that the City Council met to discuss the items as stated above, with no reportable action taken.
SPECIAL ITEMS Mayor's Youth Council update	Faith Peoples, Mayor's Youth Council, announced upcoming Teen Center events and activities.
Presentation – Annual Service Awards	Kristen Petersen presented a PowerPoint report about the City employees and Commissioners who were recognized at the recent annual service awards event. Mayor Kang presented Certificates to the award recipients in appreciation of their years of service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vic Benavides, Duarte Chamber, announced upcoming Chamber events in February, and Taste of Duarte on May 6.

Michelle Wright announced Choose 2 Live event on March 21.

Joanna Gee, Duarte Library, announced events, workshops, and programs in February and March.

Karen Herrera announced upcoming community events, programs, and activities in February and March.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following spoke on items not on the Agenda.

Pam Romero – Employee recognition, Measure D.

Rita Kwasnik – Wall, signal, Encanto Park/Huntington Drive.

Karen Vance – Riverbed safety issues, hazards.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Fasana moved, Paras-Caracci seconded to approve the Consent Calendar as follows, and carried unanimously.

Approve Items A, B, C, E.

Remove Item D.

ITEM REMOVED

Item D – Council Bill 20-R-02
Assistant City Attorney

Council Bill 20-R-02 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE UPDATING THE ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY DESIGNATION

Lino Paras inquired about the replacement of the Assistant City Attorney. Cosgrove responded.

ITEM D – APPROVED RESOLUTION NO. 20-02

Reilly moved, Urias seconded to adopt Resolution No. 20-02, and carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Contract – Pyro Spectaculars, Inc.
July 3rd Fireworks Display

Enriquez presented a staff report about the proposed contract, and answered questions from Councilmembers pertaining to sponsorships and opportunities for non-profits. Kristen Petersen answered additional questions about the Ad Hoc Finance Committee suggestions.

Fasana moved, Urias seconded to authorize the Interim Successor City Manager to execute a contract with Pyro Spectaculars, Inc., in the amount of \$23,000 for the 2020 July 3rd Independence Day Celebration Fireworks Display, and carried unanimously.

City Manager Employment
Agreement – Daniel Jordan

Lino Paras stated the contract is good, and he would like to know more about Mr. Jordan than what is in the memo. Finlay provided additional information about Mr. Jordan's background and qualifications.

Fasana moved, Finlay seconded to approve the Employment Agreement with Daniel Jordan to serve as Duarte City Manager commencing March 3, 2020, and to permit formatting changes and minor editorial changes to the Agreement at the request of the City Attorney, and carried unanimously.

Daniel Jordan introduced himself, and stated he is honored to soon be a part of the community.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
(Continued)

The following spoke on items not on the Agenda.
Steve Hernandez – Mayor Pro Tem Urias, new City Manager.
Lino Paras – Mayor Pro Tem Urias, new City Manager.

ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL/
CITY MANAGER

ENRIQUEZ: Thanked all who attended the ribbon cutting for the Donald & Bernice Watson Recreation Trail, thanked the Community Development Department for their assistance, and thanked Department heads for their support and help.

COSGROVE: Stated the presentation about SB 330 housing legislation will be scheduled for a City Council meeting in March, and welcomed Mr. Jordan.

REILLY: Welcomed Dr. Jordan, thanked staff and Manuel for the admirable job they did in the interim, stated the Donald & Bernice Watson trail opening was wonderful, the new signs for the 605/210 ramp look good, and discussed the Coronavirus and 1918-19 flu epidemic.

URIAS: Welcomed Dan Jordan, and stated he is looking forward to working together.

FINLAY: Welcomed Dan Jordan, discussed her wish list for City Manager, she met with CEO Brian Kelly of the High Speed Rail Authority of California and provided statistics about the cost of the project, and suggested the monthly meetings Councilmember Reilly has been holding at the Senior Center could be rotated among all the Council.

LEWIS: Welcomed Dan Jordan, thanked staff for the Valentine candy, and thanked staff for assisting with graffiti removal and other issues he brought forward.

PARAS-CARACCI: Welcomed Mayor Pro Tem Urias back, she appreciates the patience from the community and staff, acknowledged the Interim City Manager and Directors, stated the team continued without a negative impact on the community, welcomed Dr. Dan Jordan, noted the service awards show investment and commitment in the community, congratulated the Watson family, and stated it meant a lot to her personally and she is appreciative of the outcome.

FASANA: Stated SB 50 did not get out of the Senate, discussed comments made by Assemblymember Portantino pertaining to the legislation, he will attend the COG meeting on Thursday, he opposed the high speed rail measure, Metro will be choosing Route 60 alignment and it looks like they will be recommending the Whittier alignment, the Watsons made incredible contributions to this community, thanked staff for accomplishments during the interim period, and congratulated and welcomed Dr. Jordan.

Reilly stated she has been holding monthly meetings at the Senior Center since she was elected, she has secured that time, she wishes to continue, and stated Councilmembers may also hold meetings at any time.

KANG: Congratulated the Watson family on the renaming of the trail, stated the overhead street signs look impeccable, the cost for high speed rail is costly and does not make sense, discussed the homelessness situation by Encanto Park, stated we need to be vigilant about the Coronavirus, announced Welcome Reception for our new City Manager Dan Jordan on March 10 at 6:00 p.m., thanked staff for their dedication and commitment during the search, and stated he is looking forward to working with Dr. Jordan.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kang adjourned the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

Mayor Samuel Kang

City Clerk