

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 – JANUARY 9, 2018

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 Fasana called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
RECORDATION OF ATTENDANCE	The following were in attendance: PRESENT: Finlay (left at 8:32 p.m.), Kang (arrived prior to Closed Session), Paras-Caracci, Reilly, Fasana ABSENT: None ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: City Manager George, City Attorney Cosgrove
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Finlay moved, Reilly seconded to adopt the Agenda, and carried with Kang not present.
CLOSED SESSION	There was no public input. Fasana stated the Closed Session was pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1); Public Employee Performance Evaluation; Annual evaluation of City Manager, Designated City representative: David Cosgrove, City Attorney. The Closed Session concluded at 7:05 p.m. City Council reconvened at 7:10 p.m., with all members present.
PLEDGE TO THE FLAG	Joanna Gee led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
MOMENT OF REFLECTION	A moment of reflection was observed.
FITNESS/MENTAL WARM-UP	George and Finlay provided the warm-up.
PUBLIC REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION	Cosgrove announced that City Council met in Closed Session as stated above, with no reportable action taken.
SPECIAL ITEMS Mayor's Youth Council update (Considered out of sequence)	Mayor Fasana stated the update by the Mayor's Youth Council will be heard as the first Special Item. Samantha Martinez, Mayor's Youth Council, stated the Youth Council met with the Youth & Family Committee, and provided information about upcoming events at the Teen Center.
Presentation – 2017 Highlights	A video recapping the highlights of City of Duarte events during 2017 was presented.
Recognition – Outgoing City Commissioners	Mayor Fasana thanked outgoing City Commissioners Mary Ann Ur, Carol Haynes, Nick Zigic, and Harold Johnson, and presented plaques to those in attendance.

Ratification of DUSD and
Chamber recommendations for
Commissioners

Reilly moved, Kang seconded to ratify the Duarte Unified School District recommendation to appoint Douglas Edwards as DUSD representative to the Parks and Recreation Commission and Ken Bell as the DUSD representative to the Public Safety Commission, and to ratify the Chamber of Commerce recommendation to appoint Brenda Trainor as Chamber representative to the Public Safety Commission, and carried unanimously.

Oaths of Office
New Commissioners

The Oath of Office was administered to the newly appointed City Commissioners in attendance.

Item Added – Rain Storm Report

Reilly moved, Finlay seconded to add a report on the recent rain storm as a Special Item, and carried unanimously.

George provided information about preparations for the rain, including weather predictions, evacuation, protocol, Emergency Operation Center, and minimal debris flow, and thanked County Fire and Sheriff, City Departments, and social media staff.

Brian Villalobos discussed resident's concerns, life safety as a priority, decisions for alerts and evacuation areas, the National Weather Service assessments, and service data.

Cesar Monsalve answered questions from Councilmembers pertaining to Fish Canyon Falls Trail.

Mayor Fasana suggested we may want to periodically re-evaluate the breadth of the area we include for evacuations during rain-related emergencies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sheryl Lefmann, Duarte Chamber, announced upcoming Chamber events in January, February, and April.

Joanna Gee, Duarte Library, announced programs, classes, story times, and workshops in January, February, and April.

Karen Herrera announced upcoming community events, meetings, and activities in January and February, and stated the homeless count will take place on January 23, beginning at 8:00 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Kang moved, Reilly 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 17-O-09
Parking – Street Sweeping
(Second Reading)

Council Bill 17-O-09 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 11.15 TO THE DUARTE MUNICIPAL CODE PROHIBITING ALTERNATE SIDE PARKING ON DESIGNATED STREETS FOR THE PURPOSES OF STREET SWEEPING (Second Reading)

Brian Villalobos answered questions from Councilmembers pertaining to trash bins left out on street sweeping days, written warnings, and citations.

ITEM D – APPROVED
ORDINANCE NO. 878

BUSINESS ITEMS
Parks/Recreation Commission
Recommendation – Park Name

Reimbursement Request
Shenkman & Hughes - \$30,000
(Continued to 1/23/18)

ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL/
CITY MANAGER

Paras-Caracci suggested upcoming City newsletters could highlight the ordinances pertaining to trash bins and parking restrictions.

Reilly moved, Finlay seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 878, and carried unanimously.

Cesar Monsalve presented a staff report about the new park at Third Street and Oak Avenue, and stated the Parks and Recreation Commission's recommendations for possible names are Orange Blossom Park and Marmalade Grove Park.

There was discussion about name preferences, shade structures, and trees.

Paras-Caracci moved, Kang seconded to approve the name "Orange Blossom Park" for the new park at Third Street and Oak Avenue, and carried unanimously.

Fasana moved, Reilly seconded to continue this item until additional information is obtained about invoicing and what options might be available, and carried unanimously.

FINLAY: Stated she and Mayor Pro Tem Reilly were in Sacramento working with a number of legislators, and wished all a happy new year.

GEORGE: Thanked staff for the holiday presentation to the community, stated it made the City festive, and thanked Councilmember Kang for his support and participation in the holiday lighting.

PARAS-CARACCI: Stated she enjoyed Santa's holiday party, she received excessive Nixle alerts pertaining to areas a distance away from us that had nothing to do with our immediate area, and asked for a report back about how Nixle determines to what areas alerts are sent, noted packaging of some cannabis products looks like candy, and she hopes we keep an eye on this (Cosgrove provided additional information).

KANG: Wondered if any adjacent cities legalized cultivation of cannabis, thanked everyone for a great 2017, he cares about beautification, he wants the City to look good, sharp, and uniform, and stated we may want to investigate LED lights and a new coat of paint on streets.

REILLY: Regarding cannabis, inquired about neighbor's smoke coming into your apartment (Cosgrove responded), she would like a further discussion about what is allowed in our City, attended League dinner where Dr. Lucy Jones spoke about infrastructure and earthquakes, she would like us to look into the earthquake preparedness initiative in Southern California, she presented the welcome at the Lions Club International event,

she and Mayor Finlay attended Contract Cities legislative event, discussed last year's survey, attended Congressman Napolitano's mental health consortium, she would like to invite nearby mental health resources to our meetings to talk about their programs and to have mental health information available at our concerts and movies in the park, attended Rose Bowl game, and wished all happy new year.

FASANA: Stated he would like to look at the possibility of incorporating cool roofs into our building code at a future meeting, regarding earthquakes, within the next few months, he would like a specific inventory of buildings that are at risk to assess infrastructure, he is not inclined to move beyond current allowances for cannabis due to the absence of clear direction from the Federal government, stated California Senator Scott Wiener is proposing housing legislation that would override local regulations within a half-mile of rail stops, this is something we need to look at, attended services for Frank Napolitano, and wished all a happy new year.

ADJOURNMENT

Paras-Caracci moved, Reilly to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 p.m., in memory of Frank Napolitano, and carried unanimously.

Mayor John Fasana

ATTEST:

City Clerk