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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 – SEPTEMBER 26, 2017

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 Finlay called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.
RECORDATION OF ATTENDANCE	The following were in attendance: PRESENT: Fasana, Kang, Paras-Caracci, Reilly, Finlay ABSENT: None ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: City Manager George, City Attorney Cosgrove
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Reilly moved, Kang seconded to adopt the Agenda, and carried unanimously.
WORKSHOP/DINNER City Commissioners	A workshop and dinner was held for all City Commissioners and residents/business owners who may be interested in serving on one of the City Commissions. City Attorney Cosgrove presented an overview of the Commissions, including the critical role of Commissions, answered questions from those in attendance, and encouraged participation in the Commission process. The workshop/dinner concluded at 7:00 p.m. City Council reconvened at 7:09 p.m., with all members present.
PLEDGE TO THE FLAG	Paula Watson-Gardner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
MOMENT OF REFLECTION	A moment of reflection was observed.
FITNESS/MENTAL WARM-UP	Sheryl Lefmann and Finlay provided the warm-up.
SPECIAL ITEM Public Safety update	Brian Villalobos presented the monthly Public Safety update, and introduced the City's new Sgt. Tony Osterman.
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Kathy Berlin, League of Women Voters, announced an informational forum on October 13. Joanna Gee, Duarte Library, announced programs, classes, story times, clubs, and contests in September and October. Sheryl Lefmann, Duarte Chamber, announced grand opening on September 27, and Jim Kirchner retirement event on October 27. Karen Herrera announced upcoming community events, meetings, and programs from September through November. Craig Hensley introduced Amanda Hamilton, the City's new Public Works Manager. City Council welcomed Amanda to the City.

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ITEMS ADDED TO CONSENT	Reilly moved, Kang seconded to add attendance at the Rotary event on October 26, 2017 at 5:30 p.m., Duarte Senior Center, \$25 per person, to Consent Item K, and carried unanimously.
CONSENT CALENDAR	Fasana moved, Paras-Caracci seconded to approve the Consent Calendar as follows, and carried unanimously. Approve Items A, B, C, E, J, K (as amended). Receive and File Items F, G, H. Remove Items D, I.
Item J – Council Bill 17-O-06 Elec. Vehicle Charging Stations (Second Reading) ORDINANCE NO. 875	AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, ADDING SECTION 16.04.100 “ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS” TO CHAPTER 16.04 “BUILDING LAWS,” OF THE DUARTE MUNICIPAL CODE (MCA 17-01), RELATING TO AN EXPEDITED PERMITTING PROCESS FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS (Second Reading)
ITEMS REMOVED Item D – Proclamation Bill Keener Day in Duarte	Mayor Finlay read the Proclamation for Bill Keener Day in Duarte. Steve Hernandez stated Bill is an incredible person, and he worked with him at the Senior Center. City Council expressed appreciation for Mr. Keener’s many years as a City employee, and wished him well.
ITEM D – APPROVED	Paras-Caracci moved, Reilly seconded to approve the Proclamation for Bill Keener Day in Duarte, and carried unanimously.
Item I – CMF Agreement Public Access Programming	Darrell George presented a staff report about the item, and noted Anthony Clegg from CMF was in attendance. Mr. Clegg answered questions from Councilmembers pertaining to the equipment list and number of camcorders.
ITEM I – APPROVED	Reilly moved, Fasana seconded to authorize the City Manager to execute an annual Service Agreement with Community Media of the Foothills (CMF) in the amount of \$24,500 for Public Access Programming, and carried unanimously. Mayor Finlay introduced and welcomed Councilor Joey Tamayo, City of Dagupan, Pangasinan, Phillipines.
PUBLIC HEARING District elections/Public comment Council Bill 17-R-45 Line Drawing Criteria	Mayor Finlay announced this was the time and place set to consider this item. George provided a brief summary about the Public Hearing, stated this is the first of five Public Hearings to receive public comment, and presented information about the background, design of district elections, and the proposed resolution adopting districting criteria. Karen Herrera displayed information from the City’s website, and stated notices and information are also posted on social media, newspapers, through press releases, and the City’s electronic sign.

Cosgrove provided additional detailed information about the process.

Alan Fenstermacher presented a detailed report about the item, including traditional districting criteria, communities of interest, maps, and proposed resolution, and stated one suggested change to the resolution is to change the words “consist of” to the word “consider” in the third resolve.

Cosgrove read by title Council Bill 17-R-45:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE ADOPTING LINE DRAWING CRITERIA FOR ADJUSTING COUNCIL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

Notice of the hearing had been given, the affidavit is on file, and no written communications were received on the item.

Mayor Finlay asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak on the item.

Steve Hernandez stated to get equality in voting, we need to consider all the facts, what we had working works, this may disturb things, and it is important to do it right.

Lino Paras stated he did not know if the capacity of the individual named in the letter was checked out, if a certain group is the majority and scattered, the intended impact is the reverse, he feels most of the cities that gave in may not have the demographics and composition of Duarte, and he feels a majority will control the entire City.

Fasana moved, Reilly seconded to close the Public Hearing, and carried unanimously.

There was discussion about census classifications, looking at a charter, number of districts, maps that will be brought forward, districts including commercial, City of Hope, and availability of maps on the City’s website for residents to use.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-45

Fasana moved, Reilly seconded to adopt Resolution No. 17-45, as amended as stated above, and carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ITEMS
MOU – Foothill Transit

Kristen Petersen presented a staff report about the proposed MOU with Foothill Transit, including joint partnership, background, bus purchases, financing period, routes, equipment, fare collection, maintenance, benefits, staffing, and pilot program, and answered questions from Councilmembers pertaining to invoices, insurance, electric buses, and signage on vehicles.

Steve Hernandez stated electric buses have a huge amount of batteries, we will not have a lot of maintenance, and he is excited about the electric buses.

There was discussion about the City’s current buses, operating

expense, fare ratio, possibility of other cities entertaining this, and Duarte's fixed route and dedicated funds.

Robert Meinert stated regarding the shuttle numbering system, the City may want to adopt Foothill's existing system.

Reilly moved, Paras-Caracci seconded to authorize the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Foothill Transit for transit services, and carried unanimously.

SB 1 Project List; Budget
Amendment; Huntington Drive
Intersection Analysis

Amanda Hamilton, Public Works Manager, presented a staff report about the item, and discussed Senate Bill (SB) 1, funding, project list, need for adopted budget, State deadline, specific targeted projects, intersection capacity study, process, approval of project list, and budget amendment.

There was discussion about the possible elimination of crosswalks, diagonal crosswalks, and peak hours. Fasana asked that the Peak Period Traffic Volumes on page 8 of the Huntington Drive Intersection Capacity Analysis be checked for accuracy.

Dominic Milano, City Engineer, provided additional details pertaining to traffic, crosswalks, and peak hours.

Reilly moved, Kang seconded to approve the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Senate Bill 1 Project List, SB-1 (Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017) provided in the staff report; approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$125,000 for project funding; and receive the Huntington Drive Intersection Capacity and Safety Analysis, and carried unanimously.

ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL/
CITY MANAGER

GEORGE: Stated he attended the League Conference in Sacramento, he was the City's voting delegate, there were a number of good sessions about new issues, and thanked staff for the Commissioner workshop.

PARAS-CARACCI: Stated the Commissioner workshop was great, attended Assemblymember Rubio's health fair, thanked the Duarte Mesa Association for the invitation to the block party, it was a fabulous celebration at the parade, picnic, and car show, a number of booths were successful, and thanked staff and volunteers for a wonderful event.

REILLY: Stated the Commissioner workshop was great and she was glad to see new people, the Route 66 parade was fantastic, ham radios were used for communication, stated Bill Keener will be missed, and congratulated him on his retirement.

FASANA: Stated he cannot attend the Foothill Unity Center event, congratulated Lois Gaston on her award, attended the L.A. County Fair Community Hero event, the healthcare leadership forum at City of Hope, and the Mesa block party, and stated the parade was a great event.

KANG: Stated the Mesa block party was awesome, the parade was a great success, and he is glad there were several marching bands.

FINLAY: Stated the grand marshals at the parade were great, the picnic was epic, she and Fasana attended the L.A. Mayor's meeting hosted by Mayor Eric Garcetti, and read excerpts from Royal Oaks School students' letters about government.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 p.m. in memory of Lou Costanzo. It was noted that any or all of the members of the City Council may, prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting and pursuant to Government Code section 54952.2(c)(2), meet with the Los Angeles County Sheriff and Fire Departments on Wednesday, October 4, 2017, 7:30 a.m., in the Duarte Community Center Lounge, for a general discussion. The public is welcome to attend.

Mayor Margaret Finlay

City Clerk