

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 – SEPTEMBER 10, 2019

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 Kang called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.
RECORDATION OF ATTENDANCE	The following were in attendance: PRESENT: Fasana, Finlay, Kang, Lewis, Reilly ABSENT: Urias, Paras-Caracci ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: City Manager George, City Attorney Cosgrove
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Finlay moved, Reilly seconded to adopt the Agenda, and carried unanimously by those present.
PLEDGE TO THE FLAG	Victoria Rocha led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
MOMENT OF REFLECTION	Reilly provided a moment of reflection.
FITNESS/MENTAL WARM-UP	Lewis and Finlay provided the warm-up.
SPECIAL ITEMS Mayor's Youth Council update	Faith Peoples and Samantha Martinez provided an update of recent Mayor's Youth Council activities and upcoming Teen Center events.
Proclamation – Senior Center Month, September 2019	Mayor Pro Tem Kang read and presented the Proclamation for Senior Center Month, September 2019, to Recreation Coordinator Kelly Barnes and Senior Center volunteers and participants.
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Tina Carey, Duarte Chamber of Commerce, announced upcoming events and mixers in September, as well as Kiwanis installation dinner in October. Joanna Gee, Duarte Library, announced upcoming programs, story times, events, and classes in September, and stated Steve Hernandez is the new president of Friends of the Library, and Liz Reilly is the treasurer. Victoria Rocha announced upcoming community events, activities, meetings, and park programs in September and October.
ORAL COMMUNICATIONS	The following spoke on items not on the Agenda. Carol Daley – Homelessness. Rita Kwasnick – Wall on Huntington Drive by Asian Ceramics. Melissa Corwell – Homelessness. Bonnie Lee – Donut shop robbery. Karen Vance – Homelessness.

Rosemary Sabontian – Riverbed.
Steve Hernandez – Homelessness.
Lino Paras – Homelessness, Measure H.

George provided information about the recent meeting with the County Supervisor's office, and proposed innovation fund.

Fasana and Lewis requested a report back about the donut shop robbery.

ITEMS ADDED TO CONSENT

Fasana asked that attendance at the Santa Teresita Gala on October 26 be added to Item D. Finlay asked that the Duarte Education Foundation Dinner on October 19 also be added.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Finlay moved, Reilly seconded to approve the Consent Calendar as follows, and to add the items requested to Item D, and carried unanimously by those present.

Approve Items A, B, C.

Remove Item D.

ITEM REMOVED

Item D – Conference Attendance

Finlay discussed the expense policy adopted in June 2017, items submitted to City Council for final approval, and reimbursable lodging on approved trips.

ITEM D – APPROVED

Reilly moved, Kang seconded to approve Item D, and carried unanimously by those present.

BUSINESS ITEM

Duarte Pool year-round analysis,
proposed operating hours

Manuel Enriquez presented a PowerPoint about the Duarte Pool year-round analysis including background, services, total operating hours, pool usage data collection, operating cost comparison, and proposed operating hours.

There was discussion about classes, expenses, supplies, personnel, and utilities.

Finlay moved, Fasana seconded to approve the proposed hours of operation for Duarte Pool as outlined in the staff report, and carried unanimously by those present.

REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL/MANAGER/ ATTORNEY

COSGROVE: Discussed proposed legislation by Representative Chu regarding the San Gabriel Mountains.

GEORGE: Thanked Congressman Napolitano for facilitating a number of outreach meetings regarding homelessness, as well as Burrtec and Athens for providing bins.

REILLY: Stated she would not be in favor of Duarte being in the National Monument, announced Duarte Family Feud event on October 19, stated September 1 was the 80th anniversary of Hitler's invasion of Poland and World War II, and asked about the wall on Huntington Drive (Villalobos responded).

FINLAY: Stated there was a person walking in the evening wearing dark clothing in the middle of the street by the riverbed, she is afraid they could be hit, and inquired if we could talk with someone about the possibility of solar lights along the street near the riverbed.

LEWIS: Expressed his recollection of experiences related to 9/11 as a firefighter, stated 343 firefighters perished that day, and they will never be forgotten.

FASANA: Stated he was told if we were interested in becoming part of the National Recreation Area, our request should be submitted by September-October, asked that a discussion about the National Recreation Area be on the next Agenda, thanked staff for working with other government entities regarding homelessness, asked for a report about the status of vouchers, provided information to the City Manager about creation of the San Gabriel Regional Housing Trust Fund (Rubio – SB 751) (George stated staff will bring back a presentation), and stated Mayor Paras-Caracci requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Pedro P. Paras and William Vargas.

KANG: Stated homelessness is a huge issue, we need to work with the State to find a holistic solution, we need creative ways for affordable housing, and stated when he walked the trail, he observed vegetation, coyotes, and mosquitoes.

ADJOURNMENT

Finlay moved, Reilly seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m. in memory of Pedro P. Paras and William Vargas, and carried unanimously by those present.

Mayor Pro Tem Sam Kang

ATTEST:

City Clerk