

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 – AUGUST 11, 2020

NOTE: Due to the state and local State of Emergency resulting from the threat of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), Governor Newsom has issued Executive Order N-29-20 in which Section 3 supersedes Paragraph 11 of Executive Order N-25-20 (issued on March 12, 2020) addressing Brown Act regulations. This new order states that the City does not need to make a physical location available for members of the public to observe a public meeting and offer public comment. The Order allows the City to hold City Council meetings via teleconferencing and allows for members of the public to observe and address the meeting electronically.

To follow the new Order issued by the Governor, the City Council meeting was closed to the public. Members of the public were able to participate on Zoom, and view/listen to the live City Council meeting broadcast on the City's website. Public comments were submitted electronically by emailing duarteinfo@accessduarte.com before or during the meeting, prior to the close of public comment. Emailed public comments were read into the record.

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 by teleconference in the Council Chambers, 1600 Huntington Drive, Duarte, California. Mayor Kang called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

RECORDATION OF ATTENDANCE

The following were in attendance:

PRESENT: Fasana, Finlay (connected 7:05 p.m., disconnected 9:58 p.m.), Lewis, Paras-Caracci, Reilly, Urias, Kang

ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: City Manager
Jordan, City Attorney Cosgrove

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Reilly moved, Fasana seconded to adopt the Agenda, and carried by the following Roll Call vote:

AYES: Reilly, Paras-Caracci, Lewis, Fasana, Urias, Kang

NOT PRESENT FOR VOTE: Finlay

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Victoria Rocha presented community announcements including update on programs, election information, and blood drives.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following submitted emails about items not on the Agenda:
Caroline Segura – Face masks, virus, fines.

SPECIAL ITEMS

Presentation – CalAm Water

Brian Barreto and Mike Phillips, CalAm Water, presented information about the Crownhaven Well, located at the southeast in-

Crownhaven Well	tersection of Huntington Drive and Las Lomas Road, discussed background, detection/notification of PFOA contaminant process, sampling results, next steps, operational changes, and monitoring, and answered questions from City Councilmembers.
Presentation – L.A. County Fire Fire season preparation	Assistant Fire Chief Mike Inman showed a PowerPoint about the 2020 fire season, including recent activity, crews, fire season outlook, plan/preparation for families, defensible space inspections, and compliance, and answered questions from City Councilmembers.
Presentation – SCAQMD Monitoring project	Sumner Wilson, SCAQMD, presented data from the air monitoring project located on Melcanyon Road, stated it has been monitoring PM10 since 2013, discussed daily average PM10 data and pollution directionality, and answered questions from City Councilmembers.
CONSENT CALENDAR	Fasana moved, Reilly seconded to adopt the Consent Calendar, as follows, and carried by the following Roll Call vote: Approve Items A, B, C, E, F, H, I. Receive and File Items D. Remove Item G. AYES: Reilly, Paras-Caracci, Lewis, Finlay, Fasana, Urias, Kang NOES: None
Item E – RESOLUTION 20-24 Safe Clean Water Program	Council Bill 20-R-24 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, ALLOCATING FUNDS FROM THE SAFE, CLEAN WATER PROGRAM, AND DOCUMENTING THE DETERMINATIONS REQUIRED BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
Item F – RESOLUTION 20-26 Accepts CalVIP grant extension	Council Bill 20-R-26 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE ACCEPTING THE CALIFORNIA VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM (CalVIP) GRANT FUND EXTENSION WITH A NEW END DATE OF DECEMBER 15, 2021
ITEM REMOVED – Item G Council Bill 20-R-27 Ratification of 19 th Amendment	Council Bill 20-R-27 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE COMMEMORATING THE RATIFICATION OF THE NINETEENTH AMENDMENT The Council Bill was read in its entirety.
ITEM F – APPROVED RESOLUTION NO. 20-27	Reilly moved, Kang seconded to adopt Resolution No. 20-27, and carried by the following Roll Call vote: AYES: Reilly, Paras-Caracci, Lewis, Finlay, Fasana, Urias, Kang NOES: None
COUNCIL BILL Council Bill 20-R-25 Vehicle Miles Traveled	Council Bill 20-R-25 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE ADOPTING “VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED” THRESHOLDS OF SIGNIFICANCE FOR PURPOSES OF ANALYZING TRANSPORTATION

IMPACTS UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

Craig Hensley discussed the proposed resolution, and introduced Erik Ruehr, Fehr & Peers, who presented information about SB 743 implementation, the State mandate for vehicle miles traveled, CEQA guidelines, evaluating transportation impacts, intent and goals of SB 743, congestion management, current level of service methodology and changes, projects exempt and non-exempt from VMT analysis, mitigation strategies, and implementation decisions, and answered questions from Councilmembers.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-25

Fasana moved, Lewis seconded to adopt Resolution No. 20-25, and carried by the following Roll Call vote:

AYES: Reilly, Paras-Caracci, Lewis, Finlay, Fasana, Urias, Kang
NOES: None

BUSINESS ITEMS

Discussion/Direction – Renaming
Business Center Drive
(Tabled)

Fasana left the meeting. Hensley presented a staff report about the item.

There was discussion about the suggestion to rename Business Center Drive after Councilmember Fasana, as he served for 33 years and had announced he would not run for his Council seat. There was further discussion about delaying the discussion until after Mr. Fasana is no longer a sitting Councilmember.

It was determined that this item would be tabled until a future Council Meeting. Fasana returned to the meeting.

Discussion/Direction – Project
Timeline – Hawthorn Suites

Brian Villalobos presented a staff report about the item, stated although there is not a mutually agreed upon project timeline between the City and property owner, there is a proposed project timeline submitted by the General Contractor, and introduced David Khun, ARRIS Builders, who provided an update about the project, including assistance provided to the owner, proposed project timeline, and coordination of contractors during the stay-at-home orders, and answered questions from Councilmembers.

Reilly moved, Finlay seconded to accept the proposed project timeline submitted by ARRIS Builders, Inc., for the Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham project, and carried by the following Roll Call vote:

AYES: Reilly, Paras-Caracci, Lewis, Finlay, Fasana, Urias, Kang
NOES: None

ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL/
CITY MANAGER

COSGROVE: Stated the storm water litigation attorney fees were granted in the full amount for the value of legal services.

FINLAY: Stated she is pleased about the new signs in the neighborhoods for slowing down traffic, and thanked residents

and staff.

FASANA: Discussed delays at the Gold Line crossings when the gate arms are down, stated there is a Metro meeting later this month, and we may want to provide some comments.

REILLY: Thanked staff for their diligence at City Hall and in the field during the pandemic, she hopes the area near Valley View takes advantage of the slow streets program, she is thrilled about the attorney fees decision, the Touch-A-Truck parade was fun, stated many did not know about it and we need to get information to more residents, there is a lot of trash being dumped at Westminster Gardens, there is graffiti on some of the walls since the bushes were trimmed, inquired if we can have cameras put there (Villalobos responded), discussed the ratification of the 19th amendment, and stated justice was long and slow.

LEWIS: Thanked Public Safety for helping with some issues, asked if we can have a forum to talk or meet with Sheriff Villanueva, as some things are going on in other communities that indirectly affect us (Villalobos responded), and discussed a recent situation in Santa Clarita involving police and teens.

URIAS: Requested a report back from our Coordinator regarding our homeless outreach and program activities.

ADJOURNMENT

Reilly moved, Urias seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:14 p.m. in memory of Lance Cpl. Guillermo S. Perez, Pfc. Bryan J. Baltierra, Lance Cpl. Marco A. Barranco, Cpl. Cesar A. Villanueva, U.S. Navy Hospitalman Christopher Gnem, Pfc. Evan A. Bath, Pfc. Jack Ryan Ostrovsky, Cpl. Wesley A. Rodd, Lance Cpl. Chase D. Sweetwood, and those who perished in the recent explosion disaster in Beirut.

Mayor Samuel Kang

City Clerk