

MINUTES

CUDAHY CITY COUNCIL REGUAR MEETING and CITY OF CUDAHY AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY and HOUSING SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CUDAHY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION JOINT MEETING

March 1, 2022 6:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor / Chair Alcantar called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Council / Agency Member Jack M. Guerrero (left at 7:38 p.m.)
Council / Agency Member Blanca Lozoya
Council / Agency Member Daisy Lomeli
Vice Mayor / Vice Chair Jose R. Gonzalez (arrived at 6:40 p.m.)
Mayor / Chair Elizabeth Alcantar

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager, Alfonso Noyola, City Attorney, Victor Ponto, City Clerk,
Richard Iglesias, Finance Director, Joshua Calhoun, and Interim
Community Development Manager Salvador Lopez

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Lomeli.

4. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Land Acknowledgment was led by Council Member Lomeli.

We would like to acknowledge that the land we inhabit today was once known as Tovangaar, the home of the Gabrieleño-Tongva people. We show our respects to the Gabrieleño-Tongva people, as well as all Indigenous people, past, present, and future, and honor their labor as original caretakers of this land. We commit to uplifting the Gabrieleño-Tongva people, invite you to acknowledge the history, and join us in caring for this land.

5. PRESENTATIONS – NONE

6. CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS – NONE

7. CLOSED SESSION – NONE

8. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT – NONE

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Quetzali Garcia asked Council to make sure KIPP So Cal enters into an agreement with DTSC and makes sure the land on Otis is cleaned properly.

Star Laca gave her gratitude towards educators including Council Member Lomelí and Council Member Lozoya thanked them for all their hard work, asked Council to encourage KIPP So Cal to enter into an agreement with DTSC and clean up the site before any construction is done.

Rossmery commented on supporting Cudahy Alliance for Justice on their aspect of asking KIPP So Cal to follow the law and enter into an agreement with Department of Toxic Substances Control to clean up the land safely, also mentioned on the strong history the City has of toxic contamination and thanked Mayor Alcantar for being communitive and keeping the community updated.

Ilse Escobar mentioned the Los Angeles Superior court has revoked the permits that allowed KIPP to build the school and encourage KIPP to follow the law and enter into an agreement with DTSC, commented on educators and the difficult time for public education and getting the school safely built.

Leticia Guzman commented in support of Cudahy Alliance for Justice and is worried for the students that will be attending KIPP, stated they need to do a proper clean-up of the site so future students don't run into any risk or danger.

Susie commented on needing Council's support to encourage KIPP to enter into an agreement with DTSC to ensure all the toxic chemicals are cleaned up in a safely matter and thanked Council Members and staff that have their cameras on during the meeting.

Jen Ganata commented in support of Cudahy Alliance for Justice and the recent ruling asked the city to go back and look at the site where KIPP is, mentioned it was a great opportunity to figure out how to do remediation and provide this need to the community as to what needs to happen next, she also commented how it is important for KIPP to engage with Department of Toxic Substances Control and ensure remediation at the cite, commented on the adoption of the housing element and how to address environmental injustice in the community.

Irma Lopez commented in support of the Cudahy Alliance for Justice, mentioned the City needs to remove the soil at KIPP location if a school is going to be built, schools should be built in clean land free of toxic substances, and commented on KIPP doing the right things.

10. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS / REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Guerrero mentioned tomorrow is Ash Wednesday encouraged everyone to get to mass and extended his wishes of a grace filled lent season, questioned City Attorney on closed session regarding early discussion related to the City Manager selection process, reminded residents on the 2022 election season specifically the Educational Freedom Act Initiation.

Council Member Lomelí thanked all the speakers that continue to show up, commented on Tara Yosso theory of cultural wealth model and how it impowers the youth, mentioned letting go of deficits, mind set and focusing on test scores when there are many more to empower the youth with, announced at Teresa Hughes Elementary student are getting ready

to lead a Student Lead Conferences and also a Junior Coach Program to develop leadership skills.

Mayor Alcantar announced the City received a 680 thousand grant through parks and county partners, also Jaime Escalante was one of the top 3 schools in terms of attendance, requested to add to next agenda a resolution in support of the workers that have been working throughout the pandemic and stayed working but are not getting the benefits or wages they deserve.

11. CITY MANAGER REPORT (information only)

12. REPORTS REGARDING AD HOC, ADVISORY, STANDING OR OTHER COMMITTEE MEETINGS – NONE

13. WAIVER OF FULL READING OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Motion: Council Member Lomelí motioned to waive full reading of resolutions and ordinances, seconded by Council Member Lozoya. Motion passed 4-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lozoya, Lomelí, Gonzalez, and Alcantar
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Guerrero

14. CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Guerrero requested to pull all Consent Calendar items each for separate consideration.

A. Approval of the City Demands and Payroll Including Cash and Investment Report for the Month of January 2022

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to approve the Demands and Payroll in the amount of \$795,681.69 including Cash and Investment Report by Fund for the month of January 2022.

Motion: Council Member Lomelí motioned to approve the Demands and Payroll in the amount of \$795,681.69 including Cash and Investment Report by Fund for the month of January 2022, seconded by Mayor Alcantar. Motion passed 3-2 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lomelí, Gonzalez, and Alcantar
NOES: Guerrero and Lozoya
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

B. Consideration to Review and Approve the Draft Minutes of February 15, 2022, for the Regular Meeting of the City Council and the Joint Meeting of the City of Cudahy as Successor Agency and Housing Successor Agency to the Cudahy Development Commission

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to review and approve the City Council / Successor Agency Draft Minutes for February 15, 2022.

Motion: Council Member Lomelí motioned to review and approve the City Council / Successor Agency Draft Minutes for February 15, 2022, seconded by Mayor Alcantar. Motion passed 4-1 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lozoya, Lomelí, Gonzalez, and Alcantar
NOES: Guerrero
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

C. Adoption of Ordinance No. 718 - General Plan Amendment 21-01 – City of Cudahy 6th Cycle Housing Element Update – Citywide

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to adopt on Second Reading, Ordinance 718 approving General Plan Amendment 21-01, adopting the 2021 - 2029 6th Cycle Housing Element, and approving the Addendum to Cudahy General Plan 2040 EIR (SCH#2017071071) for the draft Housing Element Update.

Motion: Mayor Alcantar motioned to adopt on Second Reading, Ordinance 718 approving General Plan Amendment 21-01, adopting the 2021 - 2029 6th Cycle Housing Element, and approving the Addendum to Cudahy General Plan 2040 EIR (SCH#2017071071) for the draft Housing Element Update adding a ten-housing element goal to read “The City will advance housing goals through economic development initiatives aiming to address the intersection of economic justice and housing accessibility”, seconded by Council Member Lomelí. Motion passed 4-2 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lomelí, Gonzalez, and Alcantar
NOES: Guerrero and Lozoya
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

D. Adoption of Proposed Resolution No. 22-10 Electing the Population and Inflation Factors and Establishing the City’s Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022 Appropriations Limit (Gann Limit)

Presented by the Finance Director

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to adopt proposed Resolution No. 22-10 confirming the population and inflation factors used to calculate the annual Appropriation Limit (Gann Limit) and establish the City’s Gann Limit for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022.

Motion: Council Member Lomelí motioned to adopt proposed Resolution No. 22-10 confirming the population and inflation factors used to calculate the annual Appropriation Limit (Gann Limit) and establish the City’s Gann Limit for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022, seconded by Vice Mayor Gonzalez. Motion passed 3-1 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lomelí, Gonzalez, and Alcantar
NOES: Guerrero
ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Lozoya

15. PUBLIC HEARING – NONE

16. BUSINESS SESSION

A. Creation and Appointment of the Public Utilities Ad Hoc Committee

Presented by the City Clerk

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to create a Public Utilities Ad Hoc Committee and appoint two council members to serve on the committee.

Motion: Mayor Alcantar motioned to create a Public Utilities Ad Hoc Committee and appoint Vice Mayor Gonzalez and Council Member Lomeli to serve on the committee, seconded by Vice Mayor Gonzalez. Motion passed 4-0-1 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lozoya, Lomeli, Gonzalez, and Alcantar
NOES: None
ABSENT: Guerrero
ABSTAIN: None

17. COUNCIL DISCUSSION – NONE

City Manager requested Council to reopen item 11 City Manager Report.

Motion: Council Member Lomeli motioned to reopen item 11 City Manager Report, seconded by Vice Mayor Gonzalez. Motion passed 4-0-1 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lozoya, Lomeli, Gonzalez, and Alcantar
NOES: None
ABSENT: Guerrero
ABSTAIN: None

18. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Lomeli motioned to adjourn the City Council / Agency meeting at 7:50 p.m., seconded by Council Member Lozoya. Motion passed 4-0-1 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lozoya, Lomeli, Gonzalez, and Alcantar
NOES: None
ABSENT: Guerrero
ABSTAIN: None

Elizabeth Alcantar
Mayor

ATTEST:

Richard Iglesias
City Clerk