

MINUTES

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

April 4, 2023 6:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor / Chair Lomelí called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Council / Agency Member Cynthia Gonzalez (participated remotely)
Council / Agency Member Martin Fuentes
Council / Agency Member Elizabeth Alcantar
Vice Mayor / Vice Chair Jose R. Gonzalez (arrived at 6:36 p.m.)
Mayor / Chair Daisy Lomelí

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager, Alfonso Noyola, City Attorney, Stephanie Arechiga, City Clerk, Richard Iglesias, Assistant City Clerk, Estefania Zamora, Finance Director, Joshua Calhoun, Administrative Services Director, Brenda Rodriguez, Senior Planner, Cecilia Madrigal-Gonzalez, Management Analyst, Andres Rangel, and Executive Assistant, Janet Andrade.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

City Manager, Alfonso Noyola requested City Council to consider moving item 14C to be heard after item 17 and the presentation 6C. Annual Update – Administrative Services Department be heard at the next meeting.

Motion: Council Member Alcantar motioned to move item 14C before item 17 and item 6C to be heard at the next City Council meeting, seconded by Council Member Fuentes. Motion passed 5-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: C. Gonzalez, Fuentes, Alcantar, J. Gonzalez, and Lomelí
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Elaine.

5. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Land Acknowledgment was led by America.

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.

6. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Strategic Plan Update
- B. Citizen Recognition Award
- C. Annual Update - Administrative Services Department (*tabled to next meeting*)
- D. Proclamation – Day of Silence

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Southwest Mountain States Regional Council Carpenters spoke against tax fraud and its impact it has on local communities.

Susie de Santiago asked the Council to implement benches at Lugo Park that would allow residents to sit down during any upcoming soccer game as well as disposable dog bags across all parks and asked the Council for improvements on the audio system via zoom.

8. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS / REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Fuentes shared his attendance at the Business Women of the Year hosted by Senator Bob Archuleta, attended Contract Cities where he met Sheriff Robert Luna and Fire Chief Anthony Marone and participated in the Sheriff Citizen Academy.

Council Member Alcantar questioned how to incorporate policies into strategic plans with objectives, primarily with housing security and affordability in home ownership ensuring long term needs.

Vice Mayor J. Gonzalez shared his attendance at Contract Cities, met with Sheriff Luna, briefly discussed the sheriff contract negotiation, and reminded Council they are all able to attend Contract Cities.

Mayor Lomeli mentioned Latino Quality Alliance is interested joining a future clean up, attended Assemblymember Blanca Pacheco Women of the Year, and congratulated Irma Lopez for being Cudahy's Women of the Year.

9. CITY MANAGER REPORT (information only)

10. REPORTS REGARDING AD HOC, ADVISORY, STANDING OR OTHER COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- A.** Report Regarding the Rent Control Ad Hoc Committee Meeting and Education Ad Hoc Committee Meeting

Senior Planner, Cecilia Madrigal provided updates to the Council on the Rent Control Ad-Hoc Committee meetings.

Administrative Services Director, Brenda Rodriguez provided updates to the Council on the Education Ad-Hoc Committee meetings.

11. WAIVER OF FULL READING OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Motion: Vice Mayor J. Gonzalez motioned to waive full reading of resolutions and ordinances, seconded by Council Martin Fuentes Motion passed 3-0-2 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: J. Gonzalez, Fuentes, and Lomeli
NOES: None
ABSENT: C. Gonzalez, and Alcantar
ABSTAIN: None

12. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A.** Consideration to Review and Approve the Draft Minutes of March 7, 2023, 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

Presented by the City Clerk

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to review and approve the City Council / Successor Agency Draft Minutes for March 7, 2023.

Motion: Council Member J. Gonzalez motioned to approve Consent Calendar items, seconded by Council Member Fuentes. Motion passed 5-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: C. Gonzalez, Fuentes, Alcantar, J. Gonzalez, and Lomeli
NOES: None

ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

13. PUBLIC HEARING – NONE

14. BUSINESS SESSION

A. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of understanding “MOU” Between the City of Cudahy and Boxing 4 Kids LA

Presented by the Administrative Services Director

Recommendation: The City Council is recommended to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of understanding (“MOU”) between the City of Cudahy and Boxing 4 Kids LA.

Motion: Vice Mayor J. Gonzalez motioned to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of understanding (“MOU”) between the City of Cudahy and Boxing 4 Kids LA, seconded by Council Member Fuentes. Motion passed 5-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: C. Gonzalez, Fuentes, Alcantar, J. Gonzalez and Lomeli
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

B. Consideration to Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Agreement for the Purchase and Installation of Marquee Signs at Clara and Lugo Park

Presented by the Management Analyst

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Cooperative Purchase Agreement with Daktronics to purchase and install two (2) marquee signs at Clara and Lugo Park, for a not to exceed amount of \$131,029.26.

Motion: Council Member Alcantar motioned to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Cooperative Purchase Agreement with Daktronics to purchase and install two (2) marquee signs at Clara and Lugo Park, for a not to exceed amount of \$131,029.26, seconded by Vice Mayor J. Gonzalez Motion passed 5-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: C. Gonzalez, Fuentes, Alcantar, J. Gonzalez and Lomeli
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

C. Discussion and Potential Consideration to Adopt a Proposed Resolution Authorizing the City to Enter Into Five Nationwide Opioids Litigation Settlement Agreements with Walmart, Walgreens, CVS, Teva, and Allergan (*ITEM MOVED AFTER ITEM 17*)

15. COUNCIL DISCUSSION - None

At 7:56 p.m., City Attorney, Stephanie Arechiga recessed to closed session.

16. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1) – In Re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio Eastern Division, Case No. 1:17-MD-02804.

- B. Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(e)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel to Discuss Matter Involving Potential Litigation – Two Matters

At 10:01 p.m., Mayor Lomelí reconvened to open session.

17. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

City Attorney, Stephanie Arechiga announced that all members of the Council were present, direction was given, and no further action was taken.

14. BUSINESS SESSION

C. Discussion and Potential Consideration to Adopt a Proposed Resolution Authorizing the City to Enter Into Five Nationwide Opioids Litigation Settlement Agreements with Walmart, Walgreens, CVS, Teva, and Allergan

Presented by the City Attorney

Recommendation: Staff recommends the consideration and approval of Resolution No. 23-17 authorizing the City to enter into five national opioids litigation settlement agreements with Teva, Allergan, CVS, Walgreens, and Walmart, agree to the terms of the related State-Subdivision agreements, and authorize entry into the related State-Subdivision agreements with the Attorney General.

Motion: Council Member Alcantar motioned to approve Resolution No. 23-17 authorizing the City to enter into five national opioids litigation settlement agreements with Teva, Allergan, CVS, Walgreens, and Walmart, agree to the terms of the related State-Subdivision agreements, and authorize entry into the related State-Subdivision agreements with the Attorney General., seconded by Vice Mayor J. Gonzalez Motion passed 5-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: C. Gonzalez, Fuentes, Alcantar, J. Gonzalez and Lomelí
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

18. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council / Agency meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

Daisy Lomeli
Mayor

ATTEST:

Richard Iglesias
City Clerk