

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

May 2, 2023 6:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor / Chair Lomeli called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Council / Agency Member Cynthia Gonzalez
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 Lomeli

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager, Alfonso Noyola, City Attorney, Richard Padilla, City Clerk, Richard Iglesias, Assistant City Clerk, Estefania Zamora, Finance Director, Joshua Calhoun, Administrative Services Director, Brenda Rodriguez, Community Development Director, Juan Arauz, Management Analyst, Andres Rangel, Executive Assistant, Janet Andrade, Senior Planner, Cecilia Madrigal-Gonzalez, Human Resources Manager, Noel Barrajas, and Senior Accountant Charles Ortiz.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Council Member Fuentes motioned to approve the agenda as is, seconded by Council Member C. Gonzalez. Motion passed 4-0-1 by the following roll call vote:

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

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bell High School Senior, Diego Rojas.

5. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Land Acknowledgment was led by Bell High School Senior Leilany Villa.

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.** Proclamation - Maternal Mental Health Month
- B.** Proclamation - Public Service Recognition Week
- C.** Presentation by the City Manager

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Edin Enamorado, commented on street vendor allegedly cited for street vending and other vendor ticketed at the City of Bell, mentioned meeting with the board of supervisors, there being no pathway for street vendors, would like Cudahy and the County to model San Diego, board of supervisors implementing Microenterprise home kitchen operation (MEHKO), lastly mentioned he would like Marine Josue Barron Purple Heart who grew up in Cudahy recognized.

Concerned Citizen commented on street vending, the City Council can use its influence to contact the Board of Supervisors to implement meetings or Ad Hoc to involve people doing the work interacting with street vendors in Los Angeles County; Council not having the lens that some of the people involved have implored the Council to consider it and push it forward.

Susie commented representing the Cudahy Youth Foundation, an application, and email submitted for a fee waiver, provided reasons for requesting the fee waived, asked for the City to support SCDC and Best Buy grant partnership to be able to provide a better Tech Center for the community, lastly thank Council for making the changes on Zoom being able to listen better.

8. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS / REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Fuentes mentioned helped represent the City of Cudahy at the ceremony for the outgoing president of contract cities and asked if any action was taken regarding creating the posters requested during the social media presentation at a previous council meeting to inform people of the City's social media accounts.

Council Member C. Gonzalez commented on trying to help a street vendor get permitted, attended training with the progressive academy, City to look at what are the real safety risks, how to set priorities, asked for a copy of the MOU for LAUSD, asked for tech center

information and possible grant with SCDC to come before the Ad Hoc Committee for review and feedback.

Council Member Alcantar commented on attending Progressive Governance Academy, thanked Susie and SELA Community for the National Child Abuse Prevention Month event, requested a resolution letter from staff encouraging the County to change their policy to be more supportive towards street vendors, asked for a policy on subcontracting some city facilities, for example, the snack bars, lastly mentioned tech, working with Emma, and having MOU's with organizations the City works with.

Vice Mayor J. Gonzalez commented on revisiting the ordinance on street vending, getting a report to the Council on what occurred regarding citations issued mentioned during public comment, clarified on the grant, asking if the City can bid on the grant or have a Request for Proposals (RFP), and gave thanks for the birthday.

Mayor Lomeli commented on supporting Council Member Alcantar's resolution letter, asked staff to continue to honor Council's direction not to issue citations for food vending, attended Progressive Governance Academy, looking forward to attending the meeting on the 13th, asked staff to have a conversation on how we are supporting graduates, requested a certificate to honor a teacher who is retiring, and also asked to place scholarship resources on the City's website.

9. CITY MANAGER REPORT (information only)

10. REPORTS REGARDING AD HOC, ADVISORY, STANDING OR OTHER COMMITTEE MEETINGS - NONE

11. WAIVER OF FULL READING OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Motion: Council Member C. Gonzalez motioned to waive full reading of resolutions and ordinances, 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

12. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A.** Consideration to Review and Approve the Draft Minutes of March 21, 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 21, 2023.

Motion: Vice Mayor J. Gonzalez motioned to approve Consent Calendar items, seconded by Council Member C. 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

13. PUBLIC HEARING – NONE

14. BUSINESS SESSION

- A. Consideration and Approval of a Request by the Cudahy Youth Foundation to Waive the Temporary Use Permit (TUP No. 2023-01) Application Fee for a Firework Sales Permit to conduct their Annual Fireworks Sales

Presented by the Community Development Director

Recommendation: Staff recommends the City Council consider a request from the Cudahy Youth Foundation (“Applicant”) to waive the Temporary Use Permit (“TUP”) fee, in the amount of \$562.50, for their annual fireworks sales and take one of the following actions:

1. Approve the request and waive the TUP application fee.
2. Deny the request for a full fee waiver and approve a partial fee waiver determined by City Council.
3. Deny the request to waive the TUP application fee.

Motion: Council Member Alcantar motioned to approve the request and waive the TUP application fee, seconded by Council Member C. 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

- B. Consideration and Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Design Engineering Services for Cudahy Los Angeles River Improvement Project

Presented by the Director of Public Works

Recommendation: It is recommend the City Council award a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) to SWA Group, Inc. for Design Phase Engineering Services in the amount not-to-exceed \$536,570.

Motion: Council Member Alcantar motioned to award a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) to SWA Group, Inc. for Design Phase Engineering Services in the amount not-to-exceed \$536,570, 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

C. Budget Workshop for Proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2024 City Budget

Presented by the Finance Director

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to review General Fund and Special Revenue Funds estimated revenues and estimated expenditures and provide staff with direction on which estimated revenues and estimated expenditures to adjust in finalizing the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 City Budget, which would be presented to the City Council at a regular meeting June 6, 2023.

NO MOTION – PRESENTATION ONLY

15. COUNCIL DISCUSSION - NONE

16. CLOSED SESSION – NONE

17. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT – NONE

18. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council / Agency meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Daisy Lomelí
Mayor

ATTEST:

Richard Iglesias
City Clerk

