

MINUTES

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

July 18, 2023 6:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor / Chair Lomeli called the meeting to order at 6:38 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 (joined remotely at 6:49 p.m.)
Mayor / Chair Daisy Lomeli

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager, Alfonso Noyola, City Attorney, Stephanie Arechiga, Assistant City Attorney, Paloma McEvoy, City Clerk, Richard Iglesias, Assistant City Clerk, Estefania Zamora, Assistant to the City Manager, Andres Rangel, Finance Director, Joshua Calhoun, Administrative Services Director, Brenda Rodriguez, Public Works Director, Aaron Hernandez, Community Development Director, Juan Arauz, Administrative Analyst, Daniela Trujillo, Administrative Analyst, David Reyes, Senior Accountant, Charles Ortiz, and Executive Assistant, Janet Andrade.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Administrative Services Director, Brenda Rodriguez requested City Council to consider moving item 6B to be heard before item 6A.

Motion: Council Member Alcantar motioned to move item 6B before item 6A, 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 Council Member Fuentes.

5. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Land Acknowledgment was led by Council Member Alcantar.

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. Certificate of Recognition presented to the City of Cudahy by the Bell Chamber of Commerce
- B. Citizen Recognition Award
- C. City Manager Presentation

Vice Mayor Gonzalez announced he would be joining the meeting virtually because he is ill and does not want to get others sick.

Motion: Council Member Fuentes motioned to allow Vice Mayor J. Gonzalez to participate in the Council Meeting remotely under emergency circumstances, seconded by Council Member Alcantar. 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

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Patricia Osorio stated she has eight months of living in Cudahy and has seen problems in the area she lives in, hopes the city takes action, parking permits cost a lot, streetlights are too dark, and has been reported to the City.

Amanda Arambula mentioned completing a six-year anniversary with youth with Down syndrome and autism and thanked Council for their support.

Berta M mentioned she has been living in Cudahy for the past three years, is a homeowner, works nights, and has issues with parking, people living in their cars, car break-ins, and trash being thrown after the street sweeper passes; she does not find it

correct that she has to pay \$150-\$160 for parking when others who come to Cudahy do not pay. Yet, she has to pick up their trash when they leave; cars are not cited, called numerous times, speeding on Live Oak and Flora, the stop sign is not respected, and asked to fix the stop sign issue and parking enforcement.

David Rodriguez spoke in opposition of renaming Clara Expansion Park to Christopher Garcia Park and read out a statement from the Secretary of State alleging Former Councilmember Garcia did not live in the City of Cudahy.

Susie commented on translation services item, asked Council to continue services with the current vendor, Municipal Translation Company, supported the previous speaker's comments regarding the renaming of the park and asked for an update for repairs at Lugo Park and other parks.

Star Laca spoke in opposition to renaming the park after Chris Garcia.

EMAILED PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tevina Quintana commented on the decision to name Expansion Park after Chris Garcia made in the previous council meeting, provided guidelines for schools and families posted by "The Society Prevention of Teen Suicide," and directed her comments to four council members.

8. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS / REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Fuentes thanked everyone for the birthday wishes, commented on activities he participated in, the pride event in June, rent stabilization meetings, City of Bell reorganization, meet and greet with State Senator Lena Gonzalez, attended Cudahy's 4th of July event, Cudahy's movie night, requested to explore creating an ad hoc to beautify the City.

Council Member C. Gonzalez asked for an update on parking fees, cost, and changes in cost, based on comments made, mentioned vehicles vandalized, lighting projects taking place, information going out to residents, congratulated city staff for the 4th of July event, joined Councilmember Fuentes in meet and greet with State Senator Lena Gonzalez, expressed her excitement to serve Cudahy and continue to see staff making the City great.

Council Member Alcantar commented on being a part of the Water Education for Latino Leaders presentation, wants to dive deeper into water issues in Cudahy, supports Unite Here Local 11, attended the rent stabilization April session at Clara Park, wants the City to have Spanish interpretation available, was part of the YEO Network Jordan-Huerta Women's Leadership Program, attended the NALEO conference taking part in workshops, mentioned a community choice aggregate model around energy, wants staff to look at how to support unions and a community choice aggregate.

Vice Mayor J. Gonzalez commended the team for the 4th of July event and other events, commented on the partnership with the County, mental health hotline, staff working with leading experts, and spoke on his attendance at the NALEO conference.

Mayor Lomeli echoed the opportunity to attend NALEO, mentioned hearing how the City is on the right path, spoke on rent control becoming official, encouraged everyone to reach out to staff if they have questions, requested that staff use the backpack giveaway to reach out to families, possibly include a flyer in the backpacks, requested for Rent Control Ad Hoc Committee Members be recognized at the upcoming Council Meeting, thanked the community, highlighted the turn out for the 4th of July event, would like to see how many more events the City can have with a big turnout.

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 Fuentes 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 July 7, 2023, for the Special 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 July 7, 2023.

- B.** Approval of the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) for the Month of June 2023

Presented by the Finance Director

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to approve the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) Report for the month of June 2023 in the amount of \$12,396,515.06.

C. Approval of the City Demands and Payroll Including Statement of Investment for the Month of June 2023

Presented by the Finance Director

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to approve the Demands and Payroll in the amount of \$1,230,025.68 including the Statement of Investments for the month of June 2023.

D. Informational Item – ARPA Utilization Plan Monthly Report (June 2023)

Presented by the Finance Director

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to receive and file the ARPA Utilization Plan Monthly Report for the month of June 2023.

E. Adoption by Second Reading of Ordinance No. 738 Repealing Ordinance No. 696, Terminating Development Agreement No. 696 between the City of Cudahy and 420 Realty LLC, and Revoking Commercial Cannabis Permit No. CCP 18-0002

Presented by the Community Development Director

Recommendation: Staff recommends the City Council open the public hearing, receive public testimony, and consider the following action(s):

1. Adopt by second reading, in title only, Ordinance No. 738 repealing Ordinance No. 696 (Attachment B), terminating Development Agreement No. 696 between the City of Cudahy and 420 Realty, and revoking related Commercial Cannabis Permit No. CCP 18-0002 is currently held by 420 Realty, LLC (“Owner”).

F. Adoption by Second Reading of Ordinance No. 739 to repeal Ordinance No. 688, accept the voluntary surrender of Commercial Cannabis Permit No. 18-0004 and terminate related Development Agreement No. 18-004C between the city of Cudahy and Cecilia Street, LLC

Presented by the Community Development Director

Recommendation: Staff recommends the City Council open the public hearing, receive public testimony, and consider taking the following action(s):

1. Adopt by second reading, in title only, Ordinance No. 739 to repeal Ordinance No. 688 (Attachment B), accept the voluntary surrender of Commercial Cannabis Permit No. 18-0004 and terminate related Development Agreement No. 18-004C between the city of Cudahy and Cecilia Street, LLC.

G. Adoption of Proposed Resolution No. 23-35, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Cudahy Amending the Salary Plan for City Employees

Presented by the Human Resources Manager

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to approve Resolution No. 23-35, of the City Council of the City of Cudahy amending the Salary Plan for City employees.

Motion: Vice Mayor 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

A. A Public Hearing to Consider and Adopt Resolution No. 23-36 of the City of Cudahy City Council Approving Substantial Amendment No. 1 to the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Presented by the Assistant to the City Manager

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to Adopt Resolution No. 23-36, approving Substantial Amendment No. 1 to the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

At 7:43 p.m. Mayor Lomeli opened public comment

Public Comments: None

At 7:45 p.m. Mayor Lomeli closed public comment

Motion: Council Member Alcantar motioned to adopt Resolution No. 23-36, approving Substantial Amendment No. 1 to the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), 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

14. BUSINESS SESSION

A. Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Remote and On-site Translation Services

Presented by the City Clerk

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to award a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) to both Municipal Translation Company and Language Network, to provide remote and on-site translation for a one-year term, maximum of two (2) one-year extension terms, with the total services for both agreements not to exceed \$18,000 annually.

Motion: Council Member C. Gonzalez motioned to award a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) to both Municipal Translation Company and Language Network, to provide remote and on-site translation for a one-year term, maximum of two (2) one-year extension terms, with the total services for both agreements not to exceed \$18,000 annually, 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. Adoption Approval of Professional Services Agreement with Fiesta Taxi Cooperative, Inc. for Dial-A-Ride Services

Presented by the Administrative Analyst

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Fiesta Taxi Cooperative, Inc. for Dial-A-Ride Services in the amount not-to-exceed \$100,000 annually.

Motion: Council Member Fuentes motioned to approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Fiesta Taxi Cooperative, Inc. for Dial-A-Ride Services in the amount not-to-exceed \$100,000 annually, 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. Approval of a First Amendment Willdan Engineering to Provide Design Phase Engineering Services for the Cudahy Park Renovation Project

Presented by the Assistant to the City Manager

Recommendation: City Council is requested to approve a First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Willdan Engineering Inc. to provide additional design services for the preparation of PS&E (Plan, Specifications, and Estimates) for the Cudahy Park Renovation Project, not to exceed \$40,866.

Motion: Council Member Alcantar motioned to approve a First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Willdan Engineering Inc. to provide additional design services for the preparation of PS&E (Plan, Specifications, and Estimates) for the Cudahy Park Renovation Project, not to exceed \$40,866, 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

D. Consideration to Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Agreement for the Purchase of a Double Drum Roller with Dynapac Fayat Group

Presented by the Administrative Analyst

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Cooperative Purchase Agreement with Dynapac Fayat Group for Double Drum Roller, for an amount not-to-exceed \$51,516.96.

Motion: Council Member Alcantar motioned to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Cooperative Purchase Agreement with Dynapac Fayat Group for Double Drum Roller, for an amount not-to-exceed \$51,516.96, 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

E. Mobile App and City Website Redesign Progress Update

Presented by the Administrative Analyst

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to receive and file.

NO MOTION – PRESENTATION ONLY

F. Finance Department Annual Update

Presented by the Finance Director

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to receive and file.

NO MOTION – PRESENTATION ONLY

15. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

- A. Council Member Fuentes
 - i. Branding of City Murals

At 9:20 p.m., Assistant City Attorney, Paloma McEvoy recessed to closed session.

16. CLOSED SESSION

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

At 11:12 p.m., Mayor Lomelí reconvened to open session.

17. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

Assistant City Attorney Paloma McEvoy announced that the City Council meet in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(e)(1) to conference regarding two matters involving potential litigation, no reportable action.

18. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council / Agency meeting adjourned at 11:13 p.m.

Daisy Lomelí
Mayor

ATTEST:

Richard Iglesias
City Clerk