

MINUTES

Regular meetings of the City Council and the Board of Directors of the Successor Agency of the former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Redlands held in the Council Chambers, Civic Center, 35 Cajon Street, on November 1, 2022 at 5:00 P.M.

Present: Paul Barich, Mayor
Eddie Tejeda, Mayor Pro Tempore
Denise Davis, Council Member
Jenna Guzman-Lowery, Council Member
Mick Gallagher, Council Member

Staff: Charles M. Duggan, Jr., City Manager; Yvette M. Abich Garcia, City Attorney; Jeanne Donaldson, City Clerk; Janice McConnell, Assistant City Manager; Chris Boatman, Assistant City Manager; Carl Baker, Public Information Officer; Chris Catren, Police Chief; Danielle Garcia, Management Services/Finance Director; Brian Desatnik, Development Services Director; John Harris, Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director; Rich Sessler, Fire Chief

Mayor Barich called the meeting to order and announced there were no closed session matters scheduled for the Council to consider. The meeting was recessed at 5:00 P.M.

RECONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting reconvened at 6:00 P.M. with an invocation by Council Member Davis followed by the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

PRESENTATIONS

Redlands Pet Adoption – No presentation was made.

Recognition of Tom Fontanes & Artwork Created for City

Artist Tom Fontanes was unable to attend the meeting, but Mayor Barich recognized him for the artwork he created for the City of Redlands. He showcased the piece of art and announced it would be proudly displayed in the Mayor's office.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Barich explained that comments could be presented in-person, via Zoom, via cell phone or landline.

TVSP EIR Project - Steve Rogers claimed that Council's approval of the Transit Villages Specific Plan / EIR project on October 18, 2022 should be officially revoked and considered null and void because the City did not mail out a public notice to property owners pursuant to California government code. He added he thought the City Manager's newly approved employment agreement should also be revoked.

Homelessness - Luis complained about the growing homeless population around Alta and Lugonia

Avenue. He said he had witnessed blatant drug use in an alley near him and he urged the City to take action to address the problem.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the regular meeting minutes of October 18, 2022.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Proclamation Family Court Awareness Month

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the issuance of a proclamation declaring November 2022 as Family Court Awareness Month in the City of Redlands.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Proclamation Veterans, Military, and Their Families Month

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the issuance of a proclamation declaring November as Veterans, Military, and Their Families Month.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Resolution No. 8409 Remote Teleconference Meetings

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, Resolution No. 8409 authorizing remote teleconference meetings by the City Council and all Boards, Commissions, and Committees of the City in accordance with Assembly Bill 361 (2021) for a period of 30 days.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Letter of Support SBCTA Grant Application for Congested Corridors Program

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously authorized, by roll call vote, Mayor Barich to sign a letter of support for the San Bernardino County Transit Authority (SBCTA) to the California Transportation Commission's 2022 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program grant application related to the Metrolink San Bernardino Line: CP Lilac-Sycamore Avenue Capacity Improvements Project.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Department of Defense Supplies Agreement

Police Chief Catren provided background of the State Plan of Operations Agreement between the State of California and the City for the use of excess Department of Defense supplies and equipment. The City was required to annually execute the attached agreement with the State as part of this program. In prior years, the City has received rifles, a Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) vehicle and night vision gear through the LESO program, saving Redlands taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars. All equipment was fully functional and was assigned for department use. As public comment, John Roach expressed opposition to this program, questioning the optics of police accepting military equipment when he said the city's crime rate was low. He wondered what the maintenance costs were for such vehicles as the MRAP. Chief Catren pointed out his department was not planning to obtain any additional equipment at this time.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Mick Gallagher, the City Council approved, by roll call vote, the State Plan of Operations Agreement between the State of California and the City of Redlands for the use of excess Department of Defense supplies and equipment and authorized the Chief of Police to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.

Vote: 4 - 1 Passed

Traffic Signal Component Cabinets Procurement

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the sole source procurement of two (2) traffic signal component cabinets from Swarco for \$61,037.03.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Amending Contract University St / Brockton Ave Traffic Signal Improvements Project

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the first amendment to the public works contract with Elecnor Belco Electric, Inc. for the University Street and Brockton Avenue Traffic Signal Improvements Project to extend the time for completion by one hundred eighty (180) calendar days.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Engineering Services California St/Redlands Blvd Intersection Widening Project

Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director Harris reviewed the Professional Services Agreement with CASC Engineering and Consulting, Inc. to provide engineering services for the California Street and Redlands Boulevard Intersection Widening Project. As public comment, Steve Rogers stated he thought that CASC Engineering was operating in a conflict situation by offering to design this particular public works project while simultaneously serving as the City's

consultant responsible for improvement plan checking and subdivision map review. Mr. Rogers added that he considered the City to be in violation of the Professional Engineers Act by not having a CA Registered Civil Engineer serving in the position of the MUED Director. Director Harris responded, explaining the contract was a stand-alone agreement for one project and there was no conflict. The City was not in violation of the Professional Engineers Act and his department was well staffed with qualified engineers.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Mick Gallagher, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that approval of a Professional Services Agreement with CASC Engineering and Consulting, Inc. to provide engineering services for the California Street and Redlands Boulevard Intersection Widening Project is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; and approved the Professional Services Agreement with CASC Engineering and Consulting, Inc. for an amount not-to-exceed \$231,930 to provide engineering services for the California Street and Redlands Boulevard Intersection Widening Project.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Lease Agreement at Sunset Reservoir Site

Due to a source of income from Cathy and Kenneth Macknet within the last 12 months, Council Member Guzman-Lowery recused herself from this item for the consideration of a lease agreement with Cathy A. Macknet, Kenneth D. Macknet, and Mark R. Macknet for property with Assessor's Parcel No. 03004-5113-000 for an amount not-to-exceed \$36,000 to construct a temporary reservoir to replace Sunset Reservoir.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council determined, by roll call vote, that approval of the lease agreement with Cathy A. Macknet, Kenneth D. Macknet, and Mark R. Macknet is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; and approved the lease agreement with Cathy A. Macknet, Kenneth D. Macknet, and Mark R. Macknet for property with Assessor's Parcel No. 03004-5113-000 for an amount not-to-exceed \$36,000.

Vote: 4 - 0 Passed

Other: Council Member Jenna Guzman-Lowery (RECUSE)

Vehicle Lease Agreements

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the lease agreements with Toyota of Redlands for eight vehicles in an amount of \$57,400 dollars annually for a total amount not to exceed \$172,200 over a three-year term; and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the lease agreements together with any other associated documents with Toyota of Redlands.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Engineering Services Citywide Left-Turn Pocket Study

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that approval of a professional services agreement with KOA Corporation to provide engineering services for the Citywide Left-Turn Pocket Study is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; and approved the professional services agreement with KOA Corporation for an amount not-to-exceed \$99,905 to provide engineering services for the Citywide Left-Turn Pocket Study.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Kiwanis Christmas Parade In-Kind Support

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that approval of the request for the event in Downtown Redlands during the Kiwanis Christmas Parade is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15311 of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; authorized and approved a request for in-kind support in the amount of \$19,594 related to this event; and authorized the temporary closure of E. Citrus Ave., 8th St., Orange St., Eureka St., W. State St., And Brookside Ave., on December 3, 2022.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Holiday Decor and Installation Services Agreement

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the agreement with Southern California Lighting Inc. DBA The Christmas Kings for holiday decor and installation services for the downtown area an amount not-to-exceed \$132,000 for a two-year term, with an additional one-year extension for an amount not-to-exceed \$66,000.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Ordinance No. 2947 Adoption TVSP Zone Change No. 475

Development Services Director Desatnik reviewed Ordinance No. 2947, Zone Change No. 475, (Second Reading) to amend the City's Zone Map to include and identify the Transit Villages Specific Plan (Specific Plan No. 65) area as a new zoning designation on the Zone Map. As public comment, Steve Rogers reiterated his concerns that the City did not properly mail the public hearing notice to surrounding property owners near the TVSP, and he raised questions about whether the boundaries were consistent with code. Director Desatnik explained the public hearing notice for the TVSP / EIR project complied with law and was properly published in the local newspaper as a display ad.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council unanimously adopted, by roll call vote, Ordinance No. 2947, Zone Change No. 475,

(Second Reading), amending the City's Zone Map to include and identify the Transit Villages Specific Plan (Specific Plan No. 65) area as a new zoning designation on the Zone Map.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

NEW BUSINESS

ARPA Small Business Gift Card Match Program

Maira Durazo, Grants Coordinator, reviewed a purchase order and agreement with Yiftee Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$2,122,903 to facilitate the implementation of the ARPA Small Business Gift Card Match Program. In an effort to improve the existing program, staff researched and learned of other California cities that are using ARPA funds to implement an E-gift card program and offer BOGO Cards as a promotion. Yiftee is used by cities due to its ease of use, best customer service rating, and no cost to the City or merchants. Purchasers are instead charged a \$1 + 5% of the total e-gift card purchase cost. By implementing an e-gift card program, businesses receive their payment right away. This helps reduce the business' administrative burden.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Mick Gallagher, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, a Purchase Order and Agreement with Yiftee Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$2,122,903 from the Small Business Gift Card Match Program allocation of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); and authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute the Agreement and Agreement amendments and other documents necessary to implement the Small Business Gift Card Match Program, purchase order and agreement with Yiftee Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$2,122,903 to facilitate the implementation of the ARPA Small Business Gift Card Match Program.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Ordinance No. 2948 California Fire Code Update Staff requested this item be pulled from tonight's agenda. It will be rescheduled to the November 15, 2022 City Council meeting.

Network Systems Support Agreement

Eric Owens, Network Engineer of Management Services, presented an agreement with SDI Presence LLC to provide comprehensive network systems support for an amount not-to-exceed \$300,000 for a period of three years. Project-based support will be provided for several long-range projects in the near term, including: the retrofit of Kmart into a new Police/Safety Hall facility, the move of the City's administrative offices to State Street City Hall (at 300 East State Street), and the comprehensive replacement of the City's phone system.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Mick Gallagher, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, an agreement with SDI Presence LLC to provide comprehensive network systems support for an amount not-to-exceed \$300,000 for a period of three (3) years, with two one-year options to extend for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$500,000.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Ordinance No. 2950 Building Code Update

Development Services Director Desatnik reviewed Ordinance No. 2950, amending Title 15 (Buildings and Construction), by adopting by reference the 2022 California Building Code, 2022 California Residential Code, 2022 California Plumbing Code, 2022 California Electrical Code, 2022 California Mechanical Code, 2022 California Green Building Standards Code, 2022 California Energy Code, 2022 California Historical Building Code, and the 2022 California Existing Building Code, and making amendments related thereto. The adoption process takes place every three years and the latest update was published by the State on July 1, 2022 and will go into effect on January 1, 2023. As public comment, Steve Rogers recommended this matter be under the direction of a licensed engineer rather than a planner. Director Desatnik stated this pertained to building codes and the City's Chief Building Official, John Thompson, was well qualified to oversee the process of amending the City's building codes.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Mick Gallagher, the City Council unanimously introduced, by roll call vote, Ordinance No. 2950, amending Title 15 (Buildings and Construction), by adopting by reference the 2022 California Building Code, 2022 California Residential Code, 2022 California Plumbing Code, 2022 California Electrical Code, 2022 California Mechanical Code, 2022 California Green Building Standards Code, 2022 California Energy Code, 2022 California Historical Building Code, and the 2022 California Existing Building Code, and making amendments related thereto; and directed the City Clerk to publish a public hearing notice in accordance with Government Code Section 6066, that a public hearing to consider a recommendation to the City Council is to be held on November 15, 2022 at 6:00pm, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

Groundwater Well and Booster Pump Maintenance Service

Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director Harris presented a non-professional service agreement with General Pump Company to provide groundwater well and booster pump maintenance and repair services on an as-needed basis and briefly reviewed the bidding process.

On motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Mick Gallagher, the City Council unanimously determined, by roll call vote, that approval of the Non-Professional Service Agreement with General Pump Company is exempt from environmental review pursuant to section 15301(b) of the State's Guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; and approved the Non-Professional Service Agreement with General Pump Company for groundwater well and booster pump maintenance and repair services on an as-needed basis for an amount not-to-exceed \$375,000 per year with an initial term of one (1) year and options to extend the agreement for two (2) additional one (1) year terms.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

No Council Member Announcements were presented.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further action required the meeting adjourned at 7:02 P.M. The next regular meeting of the City of Redlands City Council will be held on November 15, 2022.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF REDLANDS

Chairman Barich called the meeting to order and offered anyone present the opportunity to address the Board on any subject, not already on the agenda, within the jurisdiction of the Successor Agency.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None forthcoming

Minutes

On motion of Vice Chair Tejeda, seconded by Board Member Gallagher, the minutes of the regular meeting of October 4, 2022, were unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Successor Agency Board of Directors' meeting was adjourned at 7:03 P.M. The next regular meeting of the Agency will be held on December 6, 2022.

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