

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA PALMA CITY COUNCIL

September 15, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Kim called the Regular Meeting of the La Palma City Council to order at 6:31 p.m. in the Council Chambers of La Palma City Hall, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, California, with Council Member Shanahan being absent.

CLOSED SESSION

CS-1. The City Council will meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Agency Designated Representatives:	Ellen Volmert, City Manager Laurie Murray, Administrative Services Director Steve Filarsky, Agency Labor Counsel
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Employee Organizations:	La Palma General Employees Association La Palma Police Association La Palma Professional Employees Association
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Unrepresented Employees:	Executive Management
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Mayor Kim recessed to Closed Session at 6:32 p.m.

Council Member Shanahan joined the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

Mayor Kim recessed the Closed Session at 6:52 p.m.

Mayor Kim reconvened in Open Session at 7:00 p.m. with all members present and asked for a report.

Administrative Services Director Murray announced that there were no reportable actions from Closed Session.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Council Member Hwangbo

INVOCATION:

Pastor Dave Lutes, La Palma Christian Center

ROLL CALL:

Council and Commission Members

Council/Commission
Members present:

Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairperson Goedhart,
Council/Commission Member Hwangbo,
Mayor/Chairperson Kim, Council/Commission
Member Shanahan, and Council/Commission
Member Steggell

Council/Commission
Members absent:

None

City Officials present:

Ellen Volmert, City Manager
Michelle Molko, Assistant City Attorney
Douglas Dumhart, Community Development
Director
Eric Nuñez, Police Chief
Michael Belknap, Community Services Director
Laurie Murray, Administrative Services
Director/City Clerk
Kimberly Kenney, Minutes Clerk

PRESENTATIONS

1. Mayor Kim presented a Proclamation to Elizabeth Carey in recognition of receiving a Silver and Gold Medal in the 2015 Special Olympics.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Alan Dolch, representing the West Orange County Regional Chamber of Commerce, introduced himself as the Chamber's new Chairperson; noted that he looks forward to coordinating events with Staff to help local businesses grow and succeed; and that he is working with the Chamber on a certified program for children getting out of high school to train them to be better equipped and skilled in the service industry in hopes of summer employment.

RECESS THE CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE CITY OF LA PALMA AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AT 7:12 P.M.

Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Murray stated, "The City Council will now recess and convene as the Successor Agency to the Dissolved Community Development Commission of the City La Palma, and then recess and convene as the Planning Commission. Members of the La Palma City Council receive no compensation or stipend as a result of convening or participating in either the Successor Agency or Planning Commission meetings, or otherwise as serving as members of the Successor Agency or Planning Commission."

CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of Successor Agency Minutes

Minutes of the September 1, 2015, Regular Meeting of the Successor Agency.

B. Approval of Register of Demands

Resolution No. SA 2015-08 approving the Successor Agency Registers of Demands for September 15, 2015.

Council Member Hwangbo made a motion to approve Consent Calendar Item A and B.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Shanahan and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart, Council Member Hwangbo, Mayor Kim, Council Member Shanahan, and Council Member Steggell

NOES: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None Scheduled.

REGULAR ITEMS

None Scheduled.

RECESS THE CITY OF LA PALMA AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, AND CONVENE AS THE PLANNING
COMMISSION AT 7:13 P.M.

CONSENT CALENDAR

PL-1. Approval of Planning Commission Minutes

Minutes of the September 1, 2015, Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission.

Commission Member Hwangbo made a motion to Consent Calendar Item PL-1.

The motion was seconded by Commission Member Shanahan and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Vice Chairperson Goedhart, Commission
Member Hwangbo, Chairperson Kim,
Commission Member Shanahan, and
Commission Member Steggell

NOES: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None Scheduled.

REGULAR ITEMS

None Scheduled.

RECESS THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND RECONVENE AS THE CITY COUNCIL
AT 7:14 P.M.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Waive the Reading of All Ordinances

Waive the reading of all Ordinances in their entirety and read by title only.

2. Approval of Council Minutes

Minutes of the September 1, 2015, Regular Meeting of the City Council.

3. Approval of Register of Demands

Resolution No. 2015-40 approving the Register of Demands for September 15, 2015.

4. Senior Accounting Technician Future Vacancy

Authorize staff to recruit for an Accounting Technician to fill the anticipated future vacancy of the Senior Accounting Technician position.

Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart made a motion to approve Consent Calendar Items 1 through 4.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Kim and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart, Council Member
Hwangbo, Mayor Kim, Council Member
Shanahan, and Council Member Steggell

NOES: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None Scheduled.

REGULAR ITEMS

5. Memorandum of Understanding for the La Palma Professional Employees Association

Administrative Services Director Murray gave the Staff Report.

Introduce for first reading the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of La Palma and the La Palma Professional Employees Association.

Public Comment:

No members of the public wished to speak.

Mayor Kim noted that since this was the introduction and there was no Public or Council Comments, the matter will come back to the City Council for adoption at the October 6, 2015, City Council meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart made a motion to approve the recommendation by Staff with a couple of minor changes to the Memorandum of Understanding for the La Palma Professional Employees Association as discussed in Closed Session.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Hwangbo and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart, Council Member Hwangbo, Mayor Kim, Council Member Shanahan, and Council Member Steggell

NOES: None

6. Withdrawal of Transfer of Territory Petition

City Manager Volmert gave the Staff Report.

Public Comment:

No members of the public wished to speak.

Council Comments and Questions:

Discussion ensued regarding support for the recommendation; that the item be brought back to the City Council at the second meeting in November to determine whether the City can move forward with a new petition or have a thorough update of a plan for proceeding; understanding that Staff needs to conduct extensive research; details of the other school districts involved; the advantage of moving forward with the petition to include all school districts once and for all; request to have a detailed transportation analysis conducted to include cost of fuel, time factors for transporting students via bus or by parents, locations for pick-up and drop-off, for both students in the Buena Park and Fullerton School Districts; and that Staff needs to have a date certain on whether to move forward with a new petition or thorough update.

Direct the City Manager to withdraw the petition submitted to the Orange County Committee on School District Organization and conduct further research prior to bringing the issue back to the City Council

Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart made a motion to approve the withdrawal of Transfer of Territory Petition and schedule a future City Council discussion for possible action on November 17, 2015.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Kim and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart, Council Member Hwangbo, Mayor Kim, Council Member Shanahan, and Council Member Steggell

NOES: None

RECONVENE THE CITY OF LA PALMA AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION AT 7:32 P.M.

7. Cancellation of October 20, 2015, City Council, Successor Agency, and Planning Commission Meetings

Administrative Services Director Murray gave the Staff Report.

Cancel the October 20, 2015 City Council, Successor Agency, and Planning Commission regular meetings.

Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart made a motion to approve the Cancellation of the October 20, 2015, City Council, Successor Agency, and Planning Commission Meetings.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Kim and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart, Council Member Hwangbo, Mayor Kim, Council Member Shanahan, and Council Member Steggell

NOES: None

ADJOURN THE CITY OF LA PALMA AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND PLANNING COMMISSION AT 7:34 P.M.

COUNCILMEMBER AB1234 REPORTS, REPORTS FROM CITY-AFFILIATED COMMITTEES, AND COUNCIL REMARKS

Council Member Shanahan had nothing to report.

Council Member Steggell had nothing to report.

Council Member Hwangbo attended the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) meeting; the Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG) meeting; and the Orange County Vector Control District (OCVCD) trustee meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart attended an appeal hearing for an intra-district transfer for a local student and noted that it was successful; the Orange County Board of Education meeting; and the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) budget and finance meeting.

Mayor Kim attended the Orange County Board of Education meeting; the Orange County Sanitation District (OCSD) Administration Committee meeting; and the Tarlac Association meeting.

CITY MANAGER REMARKS

City Manager Volmert noted that she will be on vacation from September 16 through October 2, 2015. She stated that the acting City Manager for the duration of this week will be Administrative Services Director Murray, Community Development Director Dumhart next week, and the week after will be Police Chief Nunez.

CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

Assistant City Attorney Molko had nothing to report.

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Administrative Services Director Murray announced that CS-1 will be pulled from the Agenda since the matter was voted on by City Council during Open Session.

CS-2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Government Code Section 54957

Position Title: City Manager

Mayor Kim recessed to Closed Session at 7:36 p.m.

Mayor Kim reconvened the City Council in Open Session at 8:48 p.m. and announced that there were no reportable actions from Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kim adjourned the Regular Meeting of the La Palma City Council at 8:49 p.m.

Peter L. Kim
Mayor

Attest:

Kimberly Kenney
Deputy City Clerk