



CITY OF SIERRA MADRE
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL

Thursday, January 12, 2023 – 7:00 pm
Sierra Madre City Hall, City Council Chambers
232 W. Sierra Madre Boulevard, Sierra Madre, CA 91024

THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE MOST CURRENT LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER'S ORDER

The Brown Act provides the public with an opportunity to make public comments at any public meeting; or public comment may also be made by e-mail to PublicComment@CityofSierraMadre.com by 3:00PM on the day of the meeting. Emails will be acknowledged at the Council meeting, filed into public record and scanned onto the City website for public review.

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The purpose of a City Council meeting is to conduct City business. Members of the public that behave in a manner that interrupts or obstructs the Council's ability to conduct City business may be asked to leave the meeting. Any and all demonstrations which disrupt, interrupt, or obstruct the Council's ability to conduct City business are prohibited. No signs, posters or other large objects shall be brought into the Council Chambers or other meeting place if doing so would disrupt, disturb or otherwise impede the orderly course of the meeting.

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CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Garcia called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. City Clerk Aguilar called the roll.

Present: Mayor Edward Garcia, Mayor Pro Tem Kelly Kriebs, and Council Members Gene Goss, Kristine Lowe, and Robert Parkhurst

Absent: None.

Also Present: Jose Reynoso, City Manager
Miguel Hernandez, Assistant City Manager
Aleks Giragosian, City Attorney
Laura Aguilar, Deputy City Manager/City Clerk
Henry Amos, Acting Police Chief
Brent Bartlett, Fire Chief
Chris Cimino, Public Works Director

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INSPIRATION

Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Vote of the City Council to proceed with City business.

Council Member Parkhurst made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

The motion was seconded by Kristine Lowe.

Mayor Garcia called for a roll call vote of the Council:

- Ayes: Mayor Edward Garcia, Mayor Pro Tem Kelly Kriebs, and Council Members Gene Goss, Kristine Lowe, and Robert Parkhurst
- Noes: None.
- Absent: None.
- Abstain: None.

The motion to approve the agenda as presented was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney provides reportable action from the Closed Session.

The City Council met on January 12, 2023 to discuss anticipated litigation under government code section 54956.9 (b). There was no reportable action taken.

APPROVAL FOR READING RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Vote of the City Council to read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only and waive the reading in full.

The agenda did not contain any resolutions for City Council consideration.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Reporting of Council Members' activities related to City business.

Robert Parkhurst: no report

Council Member Lowe: no report

Council Member Goss: no report

Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs: no report

Mayor Garcia: spoke on the vehicle accident at The Only Place in Town. Mentioned there were no serious injuries and the k-rails stopped the vehicle. There was no damage to the structure of The Only Place in Town.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Council will listen to the public on any item on the agenda. In addition, the Council will devote time for public comment on items not on the agenda. Addressing the City Council from the audience is not permitted; all comments addressing the Council must be made from the podium. Only public comment made from the podium will be recognized by the City Council and entered into public record.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Persons wishing to speak on any item on the agenda will be called during the comment period at the time the agenda item is brought forward. Persons wishing to speak on closed session items have a choice of doing so either immediately prior to the closed session or at the time for comments on items at the open session.

COMMENTS

1. Any person wishing to provide public comment on matters not on the agenda, or during the comment period for items on the agenda is asked to complete a comment card. Please include your name and address. Each speaker will be limited to up to three continuous minutes, which may not be delegated or deferred.
2. The City provides a podium for public comment. Comments addressed to the Council shall occur during the appropriate time on the agenda and should not be construed as an opportunity for dialogue. Each speaker will be limited to three continuous minutes, which may not be delegated or deferred.

ACTION ITEMS

DISCUSSION

1. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO FILL UNEXPECTED VACANCY ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION

It is recommended that the City Council provide staff with direction regarding the appointment to the Planning Commission to fill an unexpected vacancy.

Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Aguilar gave the report.

Mayor Garcia brought the matter to the City Council for discussion.

Mayor Garcia opened public comment.

Seeing no one come forward, Mayor Garcia closed public comment.

City Clerk Aguilar advised that no e-mails had been received for this item.

Mayor Garcia appointed Yong Yoo to fill the unexpected vacancy of a partial term to replace Peggy Dallas.

Mayor Garcia appointed Christine Moran to fill the expected vacancy beginning July 1, 2023.

2. COUNCIL DISCUSSION REGARDING REFERENDUM TO REPEAL ORDINANCE 1461

It is recommended that the City Council provide direction regarding the referendum to repeal City Council Ordinance 1461.

Jose Reynoso gave the report.

Mayor Garcia brought the matter to the City Council for discussion.

Mayor Garcia opened public comment.

Deb Sheridan: read an e-mail on behalf of Ed Miller who is in favor of the referendum.

Howard Hays: spoke in opposition of the SB330 application submitted by the developers.

Matt Bryant: asked Council to hold off on selecting an election day and not to set the election date on April 11, 2023.

Pat Alcorn: asked Council to vote to have a special election but to hold off on setting the election for another 30 days.

De Alcorn: spoke on the referendum dividing the community members.

Robert Gjerde: spoke on negotiation between the City and the proponents. Mentioned the city is losing money every month the development is delayed.

Seeing no one else come forward, Mayor Garcia closed public comment.

City Clerk Aguilar advised that one e-mail had been received for this item.

The Mayor brought the matter back to the Council for comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs made a motion to continue this item to a date certain at the next City Council meeting on January 24, 2023.

Council Member Parkhurst seconded the motion.

Mayor Garcia called for a vote of the Council.

Ayes: Mayor Edward Garcia, Mayor Pro Tem Kelly Kriebs, and Council Members Gene Goss, Kristine Lowe, and Robert Parkhurst
Noes: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: None.

The motion to continue this item to a date certain at the next City Council meeting on January 24, 2023 was approved by unanimous voice vote.

FUTURE ITEMS:

Mayor Garcia asked if any Council Member wished to add any items for future meetings.

Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs would like a report on the damages to the trails.

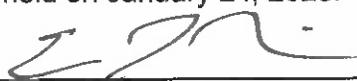
ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Garcia asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Council Member Goss made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Council Member Parkhurst seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. to a Regular meeting to be held on January 24, 2023.



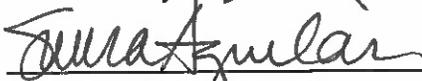
Edward Garcia, Mayor

Minutes taken and prepared by:



Amber Tardif, Administrative Analyst

Reviewed by:



Laura Aguilar, City Clerk