



CITY OF SIERRA MADRE
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, January 10, 2023 - 5:30 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

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CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Goss called the meeting to order at 5:31 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
Hillary Guirola-Leon, Finance Director
Vincent Gonzalez, Planning and Community Preservation Direction
Joshua Wolf, Associate Planner
Chris Cimino, Public Works Director
James Carlson, Management Analyst
Amber Tardif, Administrative Analyst

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INSPIRATION

Mayor Garcia led the Pledge of Allegiance and read a poem by Alice Dunbar Nelson written in 1895 in a poetry book named Violets

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 Council Member Goss.

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 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.

City Attorney Giragosian announced that the City Council met in closed session on January 10, 2023 to discuss one item of Anticipated Litigation with 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.

Mayor Garcia asked for a motion.

A motion to approve the reading of resolutions and ordinances was made by Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Parkhurst.

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 approve the reading of all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only, and waive the reading in full, was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Approval of December 13, 2022 City Council Regular meeting minutes.

Mayor Garcia called for a motion to approve the minutes.

A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Council Member Parkhurst.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs.

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 approve the minutes of the Council meeting of December 13, 2022 was approved by unanimous voice vote.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Reporting of Council Members' activities related to City business.

Council Member Goss: no report.

Robert Parkhurst: Clean Power Alliance did not have any meetings. Attended the Holiday luncheon on December 21, 2022 and thanked staff for their hard work, those who put the event together, and the employees that attended the event. Visited 500 N. Michillinda. Thanked everyone that worked on the Rose Parade Float and mentioned they received an award for the float.

Council Member Lowe: no report.

Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs: attended the staff Holiday luncheon and commended staff on a job well done.

Mayor Garcia: attended the Grand Opening of Mary Maids and the celebration of the one-year anniversary of My Friend's Café on December 17, 2023. The events were well attended. Council Member Lowe and Council Member Parkhurst also attended the events. Thanked the Chamber of Commerce for hosting the events. Attended the candlelight walk on December 18, 2023 and mention Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs was also in attendance. The Rose Parade Float won the Founder's award for the most outstanding float built and decorated by volunteers from a community organization. Attended the Rose Parade and saw the Princesses and Ambassadors on the float. The Sierra Madre Fire Department and Police Department would like to invite business owners to a Public Safety Town Hall meeting on January 18, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at the Sierra Madre YMCA in the Sierra Madre room. They will be discussing, defining the future of your Public Safety in accordance with the Strategic Plan. There will be a presentation and breakout discussion groups, light refreshments, and a closing raffle. Registration is required for the event and flyers are available. The Fire Department is available if there are any questions. The local trails are closed due to the heavy rains and should reopen tomorrow. The rain fall totals for last year October 2021 to September 2022 was 16.7 inches at the City Yard. This year starting October 2022 to January 2023 there has already been 18.42 inches at the City Yard. Thanked the Public Works Department for keeping the gutter and storm drains clear of debris to help with flooding issues. The Senior Community Commission is seeking nominations for the Older Sierra Madre American of the Year. Nominations are due by March 16, 2023. If you would like to get a nomination form or more information, please call the Community Services Department at (626)355-5278. Congratulations to the Sierra Madre Elementary School, they have been selected for the Prestigious 2023 California Distinguished School award. The award celebrates exceptional school districts, teachers, and classified employees for their innovation, talent, and success in supporting students.

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.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Time shall be devoted to provide public comments for items not on the agenda. Under the Brown Act, Council is prohibited from taking action on items not on the agenda, but the matter may be referred to staff or to a subsequent meeting.

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.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Garcia opened the meeting for public comment on items not on the agenda.

Gary Hood: welcomed new Council Member Lowe. Spoke on the referendum and Senate bills 9, 10, and 330 and asked Council to take action that brings the community together and preserving the foothill village.

Kristin Stephens: asked Council to agendize her appeal fee dispute for the same day the appeal will be heard on February 14, 2023.

Leila Regan: spoke on One Book, One City. The book is *Flying Free my Victory Over Fear to Become the First Latina Pilot on the U.S. Aerobatic Team* by Cecilia Aragon. The author will come and speak in the Chambers on February 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

David Gordon: spoke on the Playhouse having their second Solo Festival which starts Friday, January 13, 2023. There will be four different performances. A special discount will be offered to those who book for all four shows.

City Clerk Aguilar advised that no e-mails had been received for items not on the agenda.

ACTION ITEMS

City Clerk Aguilar gave the following reports under the Consent Calendar:

CONSENT

a) **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 23-07 APPROVING CERTAIN DEMANDS**

It is recommended that the City Council approve Resolution 23-07 ratifying payment of City Warrants in the aggregate amount of \$201,800.38; Sierra Madre Library Warrants in the aggregate amount of \$3,213.19; and Payroll Transfer in the aggregate amount of \$440,013.00 for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2023.

b) **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 23-08 APPROVING CERTAIN DEMANDS**

It is recommended that the City Council approve Resolution 23-08 ratifying payment of City Warrants in the aggregate amount of \$205,356.11; Sierra Madre Library Warrants in the aggregate amount of \$13,024.21; and Payroll Transfer in the aggregate amount of \$474,652.95 for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2023.

c) **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 23-09 TO APPROPRIATE \$391,085 OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDS TO USE ON ELIGIBLE PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS**

It is recommended that the City Council approve Resolution 23-09 to appropriate \$391,085 of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for use on eligible projects and programs.

d) **CONSIDERATION OF ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT (ACFR) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022**

It is recommended that the City Council receive and file the Annual Financial Report (ACFR) and attached reports for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022.

e) **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 23-11 AUTHORIZING THE GRANT APPLICATION, ACCEPTANCE, AND EXECUTION OF THE GRANT FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA BUDGET ACT OF 2021 (SB 129)**

It is recommended that the City Council approve Resolution 23-11 authorizing the Grant Application, Acceptance, and Execution of the Grant Funds from the State of California Budget Act of 2021 (SB 129).

f) CONSIDERATION OF AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO HARDY & HARPER, INC., FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT No. ST82302 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$860,000.00; AND TO APPROVE AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$16,200 FOR THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND DAILY INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE 2022-2023 STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

It is recommended that the City Council award a construction contract to Hardy & Harper, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$860,000.00 for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Street Improvement Project; and to approve an amount not to exceed \$16,200.00 for the project management and daily inspection services for the 2022-2023 Street Improvement Project.

g) CONSIDERATION OF AWARD OF BID FOR A WATER MAIN LINING PROJECT, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$125,000.00 TO ADVANTAGE RELINE

It is recommended that the City Council award a construction contract to Advantage Reline in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.00 for the lining of 400 feet of 6-inch water main from Camillo Street to Acacia Street.

h) CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL TO INCREASE AN OPEN PURCHASE ORDER BY \$50,000 TO \$95,000 FOR WESTERN WATER WORKS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023

It is recommended that the City Council authorize an increase to the Purchase Order for Western Water Works by \$50,000 to \$95,000 for the necessary purchases of supplies and equipment essential for water distribution main and service repairs.

i) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS 23-04, 23-05, 23-06, AND 23-10 RELATING TO LIAISON APPOINTMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT, SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES, AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

It is recommended that the City Council approve City Council liaisons and/or voting delegates to serve on various boards, commissions, and associations. It is also recommended that the City Council approve Resolution 23-04 designating a Voting Delegate and Alternate Voting Delegate to The Los Angeles County Sanitation District; Resolution 23-05 designating a Voting Delegate and Alternate Voting Delegate to San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments; Resolution 23-06 designating a Voting Delegate and Alternate Voting Delegate to League of California Cities; and Resolution 23-10 designating a Voting Delegate and Alternate Voting Delegate to Southern California Association of Governments.

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

Item A – no questions from Council.

Item B – no questions from Council.

Item C – no questions from Council.

Item D – no questions from Council.

Item E – no questions from Council.

Item F – Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs requested clarification on the alternative additive of the sidewalk repairs for zone three and if it was already included or if it was an option to include in the plan. Public Works Director Cimino responded that the contract is to include those sidewalk repairs and it is an additive alternate for the bid package and the Hardy and Harper bid includes that in their bid.

Item G – Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs asked if the water main lining project is to extend the time for replacing it or is it in lieu of replacing the water main and it would not be replaced until a future issue. Public Works Director Cimino responded that the lining process is in lieu of replacing it and should be a 75 to 100-year liner.

Item H – no questions from Council.

Item I – no questions from Council.

Mayor Garcia opened the matter for public comment.

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

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

Council Member Parkhurst thanked the Finance Staff for the unmodified opinion on the financial statement of the City. Appreciates the continued coordination with the CERT team. Congratulated them on their fifth consecutive GFOA award for outstanding Finances. Thanked Staff for all their hard work throughout the City.

The Mayor brought the matter back to the Council for a motion to approve.

Council Member Lowe made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items A-I as presented.

Council Member Goss 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 approve Consent Items A-I was passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION AND MILLS ACT CONTRACT FOR THE PICKARD-HOOVER RESIDENCE LOCATED AT 500 NORTH MICHILLINDA AVENUE

It is recommended that the City Council hold a public hearing, consider all pertinent testimony, and approve the historic designation of the Pickard-Hoover Residence and approve a Mills Act Contract for the Restoration and Rehabilitation of the Pickard-Hoover Residence by adopting Resolution 23-03.

Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs mentioned she toured the exterior of the property prior to the public hearing.

Council Member Parkhurst made a previous disclosure that he toured the property.

Presentation made by Associate Planner Josh Wolf.

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

Council Member Parkhurst asked when Associate Planner Wolf was able to first visit the property. Associate Planner Wolf responded that he first visited the property was November 2022 and the property was purchased in October of 2021. Council Member Parkhurst asked how long it usually takes to complete the Mills Act application. Associate Planner Wolf responded that it typically takes about four months for the application, however this property took nine months. Waiting for compliance reports to come in and negotiating the rehabilitation items on the rehabilitation plan took time and review before approving the application. Council Member Parkhurst asked how long this took to get on the Planning Commission calendar. Associate Planner Wolf responded that it took about four weeks to get the property on the Planning Commission calendar.

Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs asked what the periodic reporting requirements are for a Mills Act property. Associate Planner Wolf responded that each year everyone with a Mills Act contract is required to report how they addressed and fulfilled their rehabilitation obligations which normally comes in the form of receipts, a spreadsheet, or a document with that explains every improvement done to the property. Permit history is used to find out what work has been done to the property, if any. Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs asked if the Mills Act ends or if it is perpetual.

Associate Planner Wolf responded that it automatically renews every year for a full duration of ten years with a tax subsidy. Council Member Goss asked if all 24 Mills Act contracts are in compliance as of the meeting tonight. Associate Planner Wolf responded that all the 24 contracts are in compliance currently. Council Member Goss asked if any of the contracts have fallen out of compliance in the previous years. Associate Planner Wolf responded that none of the contracts have fallen out of compliance and they are reviewed annually. Council Member Lowe asked if the cost of rehabilitation repair increases and the value changes do the home owners have to apply for a variance or petition to change it. Associate Planner Wolf responded that they do not need to come forward if it is not an exact amount because it is all estimated.

Mayor Garcia opened the Public Hearing.

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

Seeing no one else come forward to the podium, Mayor Garcia closed public comment and brought the matter back to Council for discussion and/or a vote.

Council Member Parkhurst commented on the importance of trying to preserve the Pickard-Hoover residence and spoke on the National significance of the property.

Council Member Lowe mentioned she toured the property and commented on how nice it is to see the owners wanting to preserve the property.

Council Member Goss stated it is a good investment for Sierra Madre and the future Sierra Madre residents. The property offers a unique history and he is in support of the historic designation and the Mills Act.

Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs commented that it will cost the City some money but she hopes it will incentivize other residents who own these kinds of properties to do the same.

Mayor Garcia stated this is a great program to continue the preservation of these historic homes that do need some work.

Mayor Garcia asked for a motion.

Council Member Parkhurst made a motion to adopt City Council Resolutions 23-02 and 23-03 as presented.

Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs 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 adopt City Council Resolutions 23-02 and 23-03 were approved by unanimous voice vote.

DISCUSSION

1. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO FILL CURRENT AND ANTICIPATED VACANCIES ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION BOARD

It is recommended that the City Council provide staff with direction regarding the appointment to the Planning Commission to fill a partial-term vacancy for the period of July 2022 through June 30, 2026; and to consider an appointment for a full term beginning July 1, 2023, and concluding June 30, 2027.

Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Aguilar gave the report.

Mayor Garcia opened the floor for the applicants to speak.

Mayor Garcia brought the matter to the City Council for discussion.
Mayor Garcia opened public comment.

Alex Arrieta: asked Council to expand the Planning Commission back to seven members.

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

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

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

Mayor Garcia appointed Patrick Simcock to the Planning Commission to replace Bob Spears.

Mayor Garcia appointed Yong Yoo to the Planning Commission to replace John Hutt effective July 1, 2023.

2. REVIEW OF 4-WAY STOP WARRANT ANALYSIS FOR STREET INTERSECTIONS OF ORANGE GROVE AVENUE AND MOUNTAIN TRAIL AVENUE/SAN CARLOS ROAD AND AT ORANGE GROVE AVENUE AND RANCHO ROAD

It is recommended that the City Council directs that a four-way stop be implemented at East Orange Grove Avenue and Mountain Trail Avenue/San Carlos Road, in accordance with the Traffic Engineer's report.

Public Works Director Cimino gave the report.

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

Mayor Garcia opened public comment.

Christine Moran: spoke in favor of the 4-way stop.

Deb Sheridan: spoke in favor of the 4-way stop.

Phil Yao: spoke in favor of the 4-way stop and requested a review for other intersections that need a 4-way stop.

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

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

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

Council Member Parkhurst made a motion to approve the 4-way stop for the street intersections of Orange Grove Avenue and Mountain Trail Avenue/San Carlos Road.

Council Member Goss 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 approve the 4-way stop for the street intersections of Orange Grove Avenue and Mountain Trail Avenue/San Carlos Road was approved by unanimous voice vote.

3. CONSIDERATION OF SB 330 PRELIMINARY APPLICATION REGARDING RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION LOCATED AT 700 N SUNNYSIDE AVENUE

It is recommended that the City Council receive and file the SB 330 preliminary application proceedings for the contemplated 50-lot residential subdivision proposed for 700 N. Sunnyside Avenue.

City Attorney Giragosian and Planning and Community Preservation Director Gonzalez gave the report.

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

Mayor Garcia opened public comment.

Father Michael Higgins: spoke in opposition of the referendum.

Howard Hays: questioned the developer and the very low income housing and how they would fit in the development plan.

De Alcorn: spoke in opposition of the developers and the new proposed housing project.

Pat Alcorn: spoke on the housing project and questioned which housing project will be approved for the City.

Alison Snow: read a section of SB 330 regarding high fire zones and asked how the developer could build in the high fire zone.

Robert Gjerde: spoke in opposition of New Urban West developing 50 homes.

John Capoccia: asked the Proponents to withdrawal the referendum.

Philip Yao: asked Council to side with the residents and not with the developers.

Alex Arrieta: stated the Proponents will not be held accountable for the referendum and the Council is liable.

Jim Richman: stated the City is being threatened by the developer.

Kathy Watson: spoke in favor of the City Council and wants to move forward with the Meadows Project. Asked the Proponents to withdrawal the referendum.

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

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

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

The City Council received and filed the SB 330 preliminary application proceedings for the contemplated 50-lot residential subdivision proposed for 700 N. Sunnyside Avenue.

4. CERTIFICATION OF PETITION SIGNATURES FOR REFERENDUM TO REPEAL CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE No. 1461; (1) APPROVING A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT; (2) APPROVING A SPECIFIC PLAN; AND (3) APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE MEADOWS AT BAILEY CANYON PROJECT LOCATED AT 700 NORTH SUNNYSIDE AVENUE IN THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE, CALIFORNIA

It is recommended that the City Council certify the results of petition signatures circulated by proponents of a referendum to repeal City Council Ordinance No. 1461; and discuss and provide City staff with direction related to the certification of the referendum.

Deputy City Manager Aguilar gave the report.

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

Mayor Garcia opened public comment.

Michael Cunningham: asked the Proponents to pull the referendum.

Alice Whichello: spoke in favor of the referendum.

Pat Alcorn: asked the Proponents to pull the referendum.

Deb Sheridan: spoke on the developers and the General Plan.

Alice Snow: stated she does not want the City to pay for a special election.

Robert Gjerde: asked Council to hold the special election so the residents can decide again.

Gary Hood: stated it is not the Proponents fault that the referendum is here and blames it is the past Council members and the past City Manager.

Alex Arrieta: spoke on the EIR being flawed. Stated the referendum is because of the developer's plan and that New Urban West should pay for the special election.

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

City Clerk Aguilar advised that three e-mails had been received for this item.

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

Council Member Lowe made a motion to certify the petition signatures for referendum to repeal City Council Ordinance 1461; (1) approving a zoning map amendment; (2) approving a specific plan; and (3) approving a development agreement for the meadows at bailey canyon project located at 700 North Sunnyside Avenue in the city of Sierra Madre, California. The City Council will continue the discussion to a Special meeting on January 12, 2023.

Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs 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 certify the petition signatures for referendum to repeal City Council Ordinance 1461 was approved by unanimous voice vote.

FUTURE ITEMS:

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

Council Member Lowe would like staff to analyze the mobility and transportation plans with the inclusion of cycling.

Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs would like to agendize Mrs. Stephens request to waive the appeal fee for the meeting on February 14, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Garcia asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Council Member Goss made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 p.m. to a Special meeting to be held on January 12, 2023.



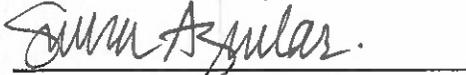
Edward Garcia, Mayor

Minutes taken and prepared by:



Amber Tardif, Administrative Analyst

Reviewed by:



Laura Aguilar, City Clerk