

**PARAMOUNT CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 1, 2016**

City of Paramount, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Paramount City Council was called to order by Mayor Tom Hansen at 6:08 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Peggy Lemons.

INVOCATION:

The invocation was delivered by Pastor Ken Korver, Emmanuel Reformed Church.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS:

Present: Councilmember Gene Daniels
Councilmember Peggy Lemons
Councilmember Diane J. Martinez
Mayor Tom Hansen

Absent: Vice Mayor Daryl Hofmeyer

It was moved by Councilmember Daniels and seconded by Councilmember Martinez to excuse Vice Mayor Hofmeyer's absence.

STAFF PRESENT:

John Moreno, City Manager
John E. Cavanaugh, City Attorney
Kevin Chun, Assistant City Manager
Christopher Cash, Public Works Director
David Johnson, Com. Serv. & Recreation Director
Karina Liu, Finance Director
Maria Meraz, Public Safety Director
William Pagett, City Engineer
Clyde Alexander, Acting Assistant Finance Director
Angel Arredondo, Code Enforcement Division Head
Chris Callard, Public Information Officer
Mike Carrillo, Management Analyst
John Carver, Assistant Community Development Director
Lana Chikami, City Clerk
Steve Coumparoules, Management Analyst
Marco Cuevas, Community Development Planner
Danny Elizarraras, Management Analyst
Antulio Garcia, Development Services Manager
Yecenia Guillen, Asst. Com. Serv. & Rec. Director
Margarita Gutierrez, Finance Supervisor
Sarah Ho, Assistant Public Works Director

John King, Planning Manager
Adriana Lopez, Assistant Public Safety Director
Wendy Macias, Public Works Manager
Jonathan Masannat, Management Analyst
Carlos Mendoza, Neighborhood Preservation Specialist

PRESENTATIONS

1. **PRESENTATION**
Outgoing Mayor Tom
Hansen
CF 39.7, 11.5

The following representatives honored Mayor Tom Hansen:

- Ms. Genesis Coronado, on behalf of Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard
- Ms. Julia Juarez, on behalf of Senator Ricardo Lara
- Mr. Ronald Gonzales-Lawrence, on behalf of Assemblyman Anthony Rendon
- Supervisor Don Knabe
- Lieutenant David Auner, on behalf of the Sheriff's Department
- Acting Assistant Fire Chief Dean Douty, on behalf of the Fire Department
- President Leonard Crespo, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce
- President Tony Pena, on behalf of the Paramount Unified School District
- Paramount City Council

Councilmember Lemons, on behalf of the City Council, thanked and congratulated Mayor Hansen on a great year as Mayor, and presented him with a plaque and scrapbook.

Mayor Hansen commented on the great progress being made in the City. He expressed thanks to his City Council colleagues, Commissioners, the Paramount Unified School District Board, and City staff; and acknowledged his wife. He also encouraged everyone to continue the momentum to keep Paramount moving forward.

MINUTES

2. **APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**
February 2 and
February 16, 2016

Councilmember Lemons stated that she was absent from the February 2, 2016 meeting and abstained from voting on the minutes.

It was moved by Councilmember Daniels and seconded by Councilmember Martinez to approve the Paramount City Council minutes of February 2, 2016. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Martinez
Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: Vice Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: Councilmember Lemons

Councilmember Martinez stated that she was absent from the February 16, 2016 meeting and abstained from voting on the minutes.

It was moved by Councilmember Daniels and seconded by Councilmember Lemons to approve the Paramount City Council minutes of February 16, 2016. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Lemons
Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: Vice Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: Councilmember Martinez

REORGANIZATION

3. REORGANIZATION
Selection of Mayor and
Vice Mayor
CF 11.3

City Clerk Chikami opened nominations for the office of Mayor. Councilmember Daniels nominated Councilmember Hofmeyer. There being no further nominations, nominations were closed.

The roll call vote for Councilmember Hofmeyer as Mayor:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen,
Lemons, Martinez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

Daryl Hofmeyer was declared **Mayor**.

City Clerk Chikami opened nominations for the office of Vice Mayor. Councilmember Hansen nominated Councilmember Lemons. There being no further nominations, nominations were closed.

The roll call vote for Councilmember Lemons as Vice Mayor:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen,
Lemons, Martinez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

Peggy Lemons was unanimously declared **Vice Mayor**.

Due to Mayor Hofmeyer's absence, Vice Mayor Lemons stated that she would be taking over for him at this meeting.

4. Appointment of City Commissioners
CF 27

It was moved by Councilmember Hansen and seconded by Councilmember Martinez to continue this item to a future meeting due to Mayor Hofmeyer's absence at this meeting. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

5. Mayor's Appointments
CF 11.4

It was moved by Councilmember Hansen and seconded by Councilmember Martinez to continue this item to a future meeting due to Mayor Hofmeyer's absence. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

PRESENTATIONS

6. PRESENTATION
Supervisor Don Knabe
CF 39.7

Vice Mayor Lemons, on behalf of the City Council, thanked Supervisor Don Knabe for always being there to mentor and support the Paramount community and for his friendship. She stated that Supervisor Knabe will be leaving office this year and presented him with a farewell gift (a donation to the Safe Surrender Scholarship Fund and "I hiked the Don Knabe Nature Trail" t-shirts).

Supervisor Knabe stated that he has begun a farewell tour of his cities and that it has been an honor and a pleasure to represent the City of Paramount. Paramount has been special to him and he said that he will miss everyone. He also acknowledged his staff member, Ms. Erin Stibal.

7. PRESENTATION
Paramount Lions Club
Presentation to
Paramount Education
Partnership (PEP)
CF 60.9

Mr. Bill Kalpakoff, on behalf of the Paramount Lions Club, made a donation of \$2,500 to the Paramount Education Partnership (PEP).

Mr. Joe Lopez, on behalf of the Leo Club, extended an invitation to attend the Paramount High School Leo Club installation ceremony on March 25, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to

7:30 p.m. at the Paramount Community Center. He also expressed his appreciation to the Lions Club for their support.

8. PROCLAMATION
Women's History Month
CF 39.12
Vice Mayor Lemons, on behalf of the City Council, presented a proclamation to members of the Paramount Women's Club in honor of Women's History Month.
9. PROCLAMATION
Tepic Sister Cities
Children's Day/Dia Del Niño Event – March 26, 2016
CF 62.15
Vice Mayor Lemons, on behalf of the City Council, presented a proclamation to President Frank Barraza and members of the Paramount PTA in honor of Children's Day/Dia Del Niño.
Mr. Barraza extended an invitation to attend the Children's Day event on March 26, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Paramount Park.
10. PROCLAMATION
Safe Communities Month
CF 39.12
Vice Mayor Lemons, on behalf of the City Council, presented Lieutenant David Auner and Paramount Deputies with a proclamation for Safe Communities Month. Lieutenant Auner expressed his appreciation and thanked the City Council for their partnership with the Sheriff's Department. He also mentioned that a recruiting unit will be at the upcoming Chamber of Commerce's Job Fair event.
11. PROCLAMATION
Red Cross Awareness Month
CF 39.12
Vice Mayor Lemons, on behalf of the City Council, presented Dr. Linda Timmons with a proclamation in honor of Red Cross Awareness Month.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

CONSENT CALENDAR

12. Register of Demands
CF 47.2
Vice Mayor Lemons requested that this item be pulled from the consent calendar. She stated that she had a conflict of interest and disqualified herself from voting on check number 149973 made payable to her employer (Paramount Chamber of Commerce).

It was moved by Councilmember Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Daniels to approve the Paramount City Council Register of Demands with the exception of check number 149973. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Councilmember Hansen and seconded by Councilmember Daniels to approve check number 149973. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: Vice Mayor Lemons

13. ORDINANCE NO. 1062
(Adoption)
Readopting the Los Angeles County Traffic Code
CF 98.1

It was moved by Councilmember Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Daniels to read by title only, waive further reading, and adopt Ordinance No. 1062, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT AMENDING SECTIONS 29-1 AND 29-1.1 OF THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING INCORPORATION OF THE COUNTY TRAFFIC CODE."
The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

14. ORDINANCE NO. 1063
(Adoption)
Readopting the Los Angeles County Health and Safety Code
CF 61.23

It was moved by Councilmember Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Daniels to read by title only, waive further reading, and adopt Ordinance No. 1063, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT AMENDING SECTIONS 24-1 AND 24-6 OF THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING INCORPORATION OF THE COUNTY HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE." The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

15. ORDINANCE NO. 1065
(Adoption)
Amending in Full Chapter 11G of the

It was moved by Councilmember Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Daniels to read by title only, waive further reading, and adopt Ordinance No. 1065, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT,

Paramount Municipal Code Prohibiting All Commercial Medical Marijuana Uses in the City, Including Mobile Dispensaries, and Prohibiting Cultivation for Medical Use By a Qualified Patient or Primary Caregiver, and Amending Chapter 44, Article I Establishing Unlawful Uses CF 22.5

CALIFORNIA AMENDING IN FULL CHAPTER 11G OF THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE PROHIBITING ALL COMMERCIAL MEDICAL MARIJUANA USES IN THE CITY, INCLUDING MOBILE DISPENSARIES, AND PROHIBITING CULTIVATION FOR MEDICAL USE BY A QUALIFIED PATIENT OR PRIMARY CAREGIVER, AND AMENDING CHAPTER 44, ARTICLE I ESTABLISHING UNLAWFUL USES.” The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

16. Declaration of Surplus Property CF 82.5

It was moved by Councilmember Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Daniels to declare the equipment as surplus property and authorize the City Manager or his designee to dispose of the property by appropriate means. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

REPORTS

17. ORAL REPORT
Paramount Urban Renovation Wayfinding Signs
CF 106.1

Mr. Wayne Hunt, consultant, provided two wayfinding signage concepts and colors for City Council to review. Concept 1 involved blue-colored features while Concept 1A included purple-colored features. There was discussion following Mr. Hunt’s presentation, and the City Council unanimously selected Concept 1 (the blue-colored scheme) for the signs.

18. Agreement with So. Cal Farmers’ Markets
CF 43.1032

Community Services and Recreation Director Johnson gave the report and proposed a new farmer’s market. Mr. Johnson stated that staff has been working with So Cal Farmers’ Markets, who successfully operates six local markets in the Southland, to operate a farmer’s market at the proposed site of Progress Park on Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The proposed opening date for the new Farmers Market is March 25, 2016. He stated that So. Cal Farmers’ Market will be responsible for all County health permits, liability insurance, vendor acquisition and retention, and pre-event setup and post-event cleanup. The City will assist the weekly farmer’s market with event and directional signage as well as

barricading to ensure the site is available for early morning setup.

It was moved by Councilmember Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Daniels to approve the proposed agreement with So Cal Farmers' Markets for a weekly farmer's market at Progress Park and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer

ABSTAIN: None

19. APPROVAL
Military Banner
Recognition Program
CF 93

Community Services and Recreation Director Johnson gave the report and proposed the Military Banner Recognition Program to recognize the military service of Paramount residents. He reviewed the eligibility requirements and stated that the service member must be a current/active member of the U.S. Armed Forces (Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, Reserve and National Guard). The service member must also be a Paramount resident or have resided in Paramount at the time of his/her military enrollment and must have an immediate family member that is a Paramount resident.

Mr. Johnson discussed the cost for the proposed program and provided an estimate of \$8,000 (40 banners at \$200 per banner). He said that a modest budget would be proposed each fiscal year to accommodate new banner applications. He also reviewed the annual application process and said that there will not be an application fee.

The proposed location for the "Boulevard of Heroes" would be along Paramount Boulevard, from Somerset Boulevard to Rosecrans Avenue, and Mr. Johnson reviewed banner types and styles. Banners would be displayed for one year from the installation date and each subsequent year an application must be submitted for displaying a service member's banner in the new display period. Current honorees would be contacted and reminded of the new application period. If a service member retires while the banner is currently on the boulevard, he proposed that the service member be invited to a City Council meeting for presentation of his/her retired banner. Lastly, Mr. Johnson stated that the proposed initial application period for this program would be April-May 2016 which would allow for banner production and installation in June.

Councilmembers Daniels and Hansen commented that the program was a great idea. Councilmember Daniels also recognized Public Works Commissioner Alex Garcia who served two tours in Iraq and thanked him for his service. Additionally, there was discussion about the number of banners that could be displayed along the proposed section of Paramount Boulevard and possibly extending the area past Rosecrans Avenue if necessary.

It was moved by Councilmember Hansen and seconded by Councilmember Daniels to approve the proposed Military Banner Recognition Program. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

20. PUBLIC HEARING
ORDINANCE NO. 1066
(Introduction)
Amending Section
29-6.4 of Chapter 29,
Article II, of the
Paramount Municipal
Code Limiting or
Stopping, Standing or
Parking in Designated
Tow Away Zones
CF 73, 73.2

Public Safety Director Meraz gave the report. She discussed the parking situation in the Contreras Street/Castana Avenue area and stated that only residents of single-family homes are currently eligible to obtain resident parking permits for this residential tract. Ms. Meraz provided background information and said that, in November 2015, in response to a request from the managers of the Cinderella Manufactured Home Community, Public Safety assessed the parking situation in the neighborhood and proposed changes to create additional parking for residents of the Cinderella Manufactured Home Community. She discussed a change to the 5-minute parking zone restriction on Contreras Street, which allowed residents of the Cinderella Manufactured Home Community to now park their vehicles on that portion of Contreras Street in the evening and overnight. And, she stated that another change proposed by Public Safety was to eliminate the resident permit parking restriction on the south side of Contreras Street between 8702 Contreras Street and Passage Avenue. In order to eliminate this restriction, however, she said that Section 29-6.4 of the Municipal Code, covering resident permit parking, would need to be amended.

The Public Safety Commission considered the request to allow parking on Contreras Street at their January 26, 2016 meeting. The Commission received comments and after discussion recommended that the City Council approve the proposed amendment to Section 29-6.4. Ms. Meraz stated that residents were mailed letters inviting them to the Council meeting where the proposed ordinance to effect change

would be presented. Ms. Meraz also stated that proposed Ordinance No. 1066 includes the proposed change to allow parking on Contreras Street and also cleans up other sections pertaining to resident permit parking.

Vice Mayor Lemons opened the public hearing. There being no one in the audience wishing to testify, it was moved by Councilmember Daniels and seconded by Councilmember Martinez to close the public hearing. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Councilmember Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Daniels to read by title only, waive further reading, introduce Ordinance No. 1066, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT AMENDING SECTION 29-6.4 OF CHAPTER 29, ARTICLE II OF THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE LIMITING OR STOPPING, STANDING OR PARKING IN DESIGNATED TOW AWAY ZONES," and place it on the next regular agenda for adoption. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

21. Mobile Stage Use Policy
CF 74

Community Services and Recreation Director Johnson presented a proposed mobile stage use policy identifying the groups that can use the newly purchased mobile stage, the requirement for its use, and the rental rate structure. He highlighted that the mobile stage must be for an activity located in Paramount (neighboring municipal agencies in Group C are exempt), all requests must be 30 days in advance of the user's event, and requests will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis.

Mr. Johnson provided an overview of the following group classifications and proposed rental rates for a 6-hour use:

Group	Description	Rental Rate
A	City of Paramount sponsored or co-sponsored class, event, or program. Government agencies serving Paramount residents.	No Charge
B	City of Paramount based not-for-profit agencies, service clubs, faith-based organizations, and City of Paramount co-sponsored youth sports leagues.	\$750 (\$125 for each additional hour)
C	Paramount businesses, commercial or for-profit organizations, and neighboring municipal agencies.	\$1,000 (\$166 for each additional hour)

Mr. Johnson also addressed transportation of the stage to the site, a cleaning deposit, an overnight use deposit, and a liability insurance requirement.

It was moved by Councilmember Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Hansen to approve the proposed mobile stage use policy. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

22. RESOLUTION NO. 16:003
Consenting to Inclusion of Properties Within the City's Jurisdiction in the California Home Finance Authority Community Facilities District No. 2014-1 (Clean Energy) to Finance Renewable Energy Improvements, Energy Efficiency and Water Conservation Improvements, and Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure, and Approving Associate Membership in the Joint Exercise of Powers Authority Related Thereto

Assistant City Manager Chun gave the report and discussed the City joining the California Home Financing Authority (CHF), a Joint Powers Authority, and allowing inclusion of properties in Paramount to participate in the CHF's Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs.

He stated that the PACE financing programs provide for financing up to 100% of a project with minimal up-front costs, and provides property owners the opportunity to pay for energy efficient windows and heating/cooling systems and water-efficient plumbing improvements. He discussed a voluntary tax assessment that is paid through the annual property tax bill and mentioned that PACE is funded through the issuance of bonds or private funding.

Mr. Chun stated that Iglesia Apostolica Church, 15706 Georgia Avenue, Paramount, would like to utilize PACE to upgrade the church's heating and air conditioning.

Councilmember Daniels inquired about the City's liability, and was informed that the City would not be liable. There was also discussion regarding the interest rates.

and

RESOLUTION NO.
16:004
Consenting to Inclusion
of Properties Within the
City’s Jurisdiction in the
California Home Finance
Authority, Program to
Finance Renewable
Energy Generation,
Energy and Water

It was moved by Councilmember Daniels and seconded by Councilmember Martinez to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 16:003, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA, CONSENTING TO INCLUSION OF PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY’S JURISDICTION IN THE CALIFORNIA HOME FINANCE AUTHORITY COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2014-1 (CLEAN ENERGY) TO FINANCE RENEWABLE ENERGY IMPROVEMENTS, ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND WATER CONSERVATION IMPROVEMENTS AND ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE AND APPROVING ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP IN THE JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AUTHORITY RELATED THERETO.” The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

Efficiency
Improvements, and
Electric Vehicle
Charging Infrastructure,
and Approving
Associate Membership
in the Joint Exercise of
Powers Authority
Related Thereto

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

CF 46.1, 43.1033

It was moved by Councilmember Hansen and seconded by Councilmember Martinez to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 16:004, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA, CONSENTING TO INCLUSION OF PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY’S JURISDICTION IN THE CALIFORNIA HOME FINANCE AUTHORITY PROGRAM TO FINANCE RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION, ENERGY AND WATER EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS, AND ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE AND APPROVING ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP IN THE JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AUTHORITY RELATED THERETO.”

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

23. APPROVAL
Adoption of the 2015
Bellflower and
Paramount Joint Bicycle
Master Plan
CF 99.3

Public Works Director Cash presented the proposed Bellflower-Paramount Joint Bicycle Master Plan. He stated that the plan identifies and outlines bicycling options throughout both cities and that the adoption of the plan is needed to allow the City to apply and compete for funding related to active transportation improvements (bike trails). Paramount’s portion of the plan focuses on extending the bike trail from Somerset Boulevard along the remaining

portion of the West Santa Ana Branch right-of-way and completion of the trail will create connectivity with the L.A. River Bike Trail to the San Gabriel Bike Trail.

It was moved by Councilmember Daniels and seconded by Councilmember Martinez to adopt the 2015 Bellflower-Paramount Joint Bicycle Master Plan. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

24. RESOLUTION NO.
16:005
Adopting Guidelines for
the Submission and
Tabulation of Protests in
Connection with Rate
Hearings Conducted
Pursuant to Article XIID,
Section 6 of the
California Constitution
CF 113.4

Finance Director Liu reported that an 8% water rate increase (effective June 2016) was proposed as part of the 2016 Midyear Budget review. Most water rates are subject to the procedural requirements of Proposition 218, and Ms. Liu stated that before increasing water rates, a notice must be mailed to customers affected by the proposed increase and a public hearing must be held to allow customers to submit protests or feedback.

She stated that proposed Resolution No. 16:005 establishes guidelines for the following: 1) how the notice of the rate increase is provided, 2) who can submit protests, 3) how protests are submitted and counted, and 4) what occurs if there is a majority of protests. Ms. Liu added that Resolution No. 16:005 was reviewed and approved by the City's special legal counsel on Proposition 218 issues.

It was moved by Councilmember Martinez and seconded by Councilmember Hansen to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 16:005, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT ADOPTING GUIDELINES FOR THE SUBMISSION AND TABULATION OF PROTESTS IN CONNECTION WITH WATER RATE HEARINGS CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XIID, SECTION 6 OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION." The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

25. PUBLIC HEARING
ORDINANCE NO. 1067
(Continue to March 15,
2016)
Zoning Ordinance Text
Amendment No. 1
Considering a Request
for a Zoning Ordinance
Text Amendment to
Amend Landscape,
Hardscape and Irrigation
Provisions in the R-1,
R-2, R-M, C-3, C-M,
M-1, M-2 Zones, and
Regarding Water-
Efficient Landscape
Provisions by Repealing
and Revising Landscape
and Irrigation
Requirements to
Promote Drought
Tolerant Landscaping
Materials in Paramount
CF 108: R-1, R-2, R-M,
C-3, C-M, M-1, M-2

Vice Mayor Lemons opened the public hearing and stated this item would be continued to the March 15, 2016 meeting.

It was moved by Councilmember Hansen and seconded by Councilmember Daniels to open and continue the public hearing for Ordinance No. 1067, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR A ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT TO AMEND LANDSCAPE, HARDSCAPE AND IRRIGATION PROVISIONS IN THE R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL), R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL), R-M (MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL), C-3 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL), C-M (COMMERCIAL MANUFACTURING), M-1 (LIGHT MANUFACTURING), AND M-2 (HEAVY MANUFACTURING) ZONES, AND REGARDING WATER-EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE PROVISIONS BY REPEALING AND REVISING LANDSCAPE AND IRRIGATION REQUIREMENTS TO PROMOTE DROUGHT TOLERANT LANDSCAPING MATERIALS IN PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA," to a meeting to be held on March 15, 2016. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Daniels, Hansen, Martinez
Vice Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Hofmeyer
ABSTAIN: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were none.

COMMENTS FROM STAFF

There were none.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

There were none.

CLOSED SESSION

Vice Mayor Lemons recessed the meeting at 7:20 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 7:56 p.m. to discuss the following:

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
Government Code Section 54956.8
Property: Century Boulevard and Ruther Avenue
Negotiator: City Manager

