

**PARAMOUNT CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 17, 2020**

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 5:00 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Tom Hansen, led the pledge of allegiance.

INVOCATION: Vice Mayor Daryl Hofmeyer

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS: Present: Councilmember Laurie Guillen
Councilmember Peggy Lemons
Councilmember Brenda Olmos
Vice Mayor Daryl Hofmeyer
Mayor Tom Hansen

STAFF PRESENT: John Moreno, City Manager
John E. Cavanaugh, City Attorney
Andrew Vialpando, Assistant City Manager
Heidi Luce, City Clerk
John Carver, Planning Director
Adriana Figueroa, Public Works Director
David Johnson, Com. Serv. & Recreation Director
Clyde Alexander, Assistant Finance Director
Chris Callard, Public Information Officer
Steve Coumparoules, Management Analyst
Daniel Martinez, Information Technology Analyst I
Margarita Matson, Assistant Public Safety Director

ADDITION OF ITEM TO THE AGENDA

City Manager Moreno requested that the City Council consider adding the following item to the agenda as the first matter of new business:

RESOLUTION NO. 20:005

Ratifying the Proclamation of Emergency by the Director of Emergency Services Due to the Spread of a Severe Acute Respiratory Illness Caused by Coronavirus a Novel (New) Coronavirus ("Covid-19")

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Olmos to add consideration of Resolution No: 2005 to the agenda. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Olmos;
Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Lemons

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT UPDATES

CF 10.4 None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

CF 10.3 The following individuals addressed the City Council and provided public comments via conference call: Mr. Richard Griffin and Mr. Alfredo Banuelos.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF
MINUTES
February 4 and February
18, 2020

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to approve the Paramount City Council minutes of February 4, 2020. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Olmos;
Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Lemons

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to approve the Paramount City Council minutes of February 18, 2020. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

2. Register of Demands
CF 47.2
- It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to approve the Paramount City Council Register of Demands. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
3. ORDINANCE NO. 1120
(ADOPTION)
Amending Sections 29-1 and 29-1.1 of the Paramount Municipal Code regarding Incorporation of the County Traffic Code
CF 98.1
- It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to read by title only, waive further reading, and adopt Ordinance No. 1120, "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 Guillen, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
4. ORDINANCE NO. 1121
(ADOPTION)
Amending Sections 24-1 and Section 24-6 of the Paramount Municipal Code regarding Incorporation of the County Health and Safety Code
CF 61.23
- It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to read by title only, waive further reading, and adopt Ordinance No. 1121, "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 Guillen, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

5. ORDINANCE NO. 1123 (ADOPTION) Approving Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment No. 15, amending Chapter 44, Article I, Section 44-1 (Definitions); and amending Ordinance No. 707, Zone Change No. 145, to allow restaurants and food halls with a conditional use permit in the PD-PS (Planned Development with Performance Standards) zone at 7210- 7340 Alondra Boulevard in the City of Paramount CF 109 ZOTA 15
- It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to read by title only, waive further reading, and adopt Ordinance No. 1123, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT, APPROVING ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 15, AMENDING CHAPTER 44, ARTICLE I, SECTION 44-1 (DEFINITIONS); AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 707, ZONE CHANGE NO. 145, TO ALLOW RESTAURANTS AND FOOD HALLS WITH A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT IN THE PD-PS (PLANNED DEVELOPMENT WITH PERFORMANCE STANDARDS) ZONE AT 7210- 7340 ALONDRA BOULEVARD IN THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT" The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
6. ORDINANCE NO. 1124 (ADOPTION) Approving Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment No. 16, amending Chapter 44, Article I, Section 44-1 (Definitions); adding Section 44-75.1 (31); and adding Section 44-82 (80) to the Paramount Municipal Code to allow and regulate indoor recreation uses in the M-1 (Light Manufacturing) and M-2 (Heavy Manufacturing) zones CF 109 ZOTA 16
- It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to read by title only, waive further reading, and adopt Ordinance No. 1124, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT, APPROVING ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 16, AMENDING CHAPTER 44, ARTICLE I, SECTION 44-1 (DEFINITIONS); ADDING SECTION 44-75.1 (31); AND ADDING SECTION 44-82 (80) TO THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AND REGULATE INDOOR RECREATION USES IN THE M-1 (LIGHT MANUFACTURING) AND M-2 (HEAVY MANUFACTURING) ZONES" The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and Mayor Hansen
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

7. ORDINANCE NO. 1125 (ADOPTION)
Adding Article IX to Chapter 30 of the Paramount Municipal Code Establishing Citywide Park and Recreation Regulations CF 70.2, 74.23
- It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to read by title only, waive further reading, and adopt Ordinance No. 1125, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT ADDING ARTICLE IX TO CHAPTER 30 OF THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING CITYWIDE PARK AND RECREATION REGULATIONS" The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

NEW BUSINESS

8. RESOLUTION NO. 20:005
A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Paramount Ratifying the Proclamation of Emergency by the Director of Emergency Services Due to the Spread of a Severe Acute Respiratory Illness Caused by Coronavirus a Novel (New) Coronavirus ("Covid-19")
- City Manager Moreno provided an overview on the City's response to COVID-19.
- City Attorney Cavanaugh gave the report and explained the Resolution.
- Discussion followed regarding temporarily halting the issuance of parking citations for street sweeping violations, the importance of maintaining consistency with the City and County of Los Angeles and considering adopting a moratorium on evictions for those facing financial hardship due to Corona virus.
- It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Olmos to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 20:005 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT RATIFYING THE PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES DUE TO THE SPREAD OF A SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY ILLNESS CAUSED BY CORONAVIRUS A NOVEL (NEW) CORONAVIRUS ("COVID-19")". The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

9. ORAL REPORT
KIX Small-sided Soccer
Complex Proposal
CF 74

Director of Community Services & Recreation
Johnson gave the report and presented a PowerPoint
presentation.

Discussion followed regarding the proposal and the
importance of engaging the community to receive
input before the project moves forward.

It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and
seconded by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer to direct staff to
proceed with discussions for moving this proposal
forward with engagement and input from the
community. The motion was passed by the following
roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

10. PUBLIC HEARING
ORDINANCE NO. 1126
(INTRODUCTION)
Amending Sections 10-1,
10-2, 15-1, 27-1 and 32-
1 of the Paramount
Municipal Code,
Adopting by Reference
the 2019 California
Building Code,
Residential Code, Green
Building Standards
Code, Electrical Code,
Mechanical Code, and
Plumbing Code with the
Los Angeles County
Amendments as noted in
Title-26 and Appendix I

Planning Director Carver gave the report and
presented a PowerPoint presentation.

Mayor Hansen opened the public hearing.

Mayor Hansen asked if there was anyone in the
audience wishing to testify. There being no one in the
wishing to testify via teleconference or e-mail
message, it was moved by Councilmember Olmos
and seconded by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer to close the
public hearing.

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

and J, Title-27, Title-28,
Title-29, Title-30 and
Appendix H, and Title-31
Portions Thereof
CF 29

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to read by title only, waive further reading, introduce Ordinance No. 1126, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 10-1, 10-2, 15-1, 27-1 AND 32-1 OF THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE, ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2019 CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE, RESIDENTIAL CODE, GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE, ELECTRICAL CODE, MECHANICAL CODE, AND PLUMBING CODE WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY AMENDMENTS AS NOTED IN TITLE 26 AND APPENDIX I AND J, TITLE-27, TITLE-28, TITLE-29, TITLE-30 AND APPENDIX H, AND TITLE-31 PORTIONS THEREOF," and place it on the next regular agenda for adoption. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

11. ORDINANCE NO. 1127
(INTRODUCTION)
Amending Section 29-
6.4 of Chapter 29, Article
II of the Paramount
Municipal Code Granting
Authority to Limit or
Prohibit Stopping,
Standing or Parking in
Designated Tow Away
Zones
CF 70.2, 73

Public Safety Director Lopez, gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Councilmember Guillen and seconded by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer to read by title only, waive further reading, introduce Ordinance No. 1127, "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 GRANTING AUTHORITY TO LIMIT OR PROHIBIT 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 Guillen, Lemons,
Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

12. APPROVAL
West Santa Ana Branch
Bikeway Phase 2
(Rosecrans Avenue to
Somerset Boulevard) –
Approval of a
Professional Services
Agreement with Psomas
to Provide Professional
Environmental and
Engineering Design
Services (City Project
No. 9932)
CF 43: ____

Public Works Director Figueroa gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

In response to Councilmember Guillen, Public Works Director Figueroa explained the process used to select Psomas which included: submission of qualifications and interviews to determine which firm would best serve the needs of the City, then opening the sealed proposals.

It was moved by Councilmember Olmos and seconded by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer to award the contract for professional environmental and engineering design services for the West Santa Ana Branch Bikeway Phase 2 project to PSOMAS, Los Angeles, California, in the amount of \$685,866, and authorize the Mayor or designee to execute the agreement. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

13. APPROVAL
Proposed Program
Partner Agreement for
Youth Sports Leagues
CF 74.24

Community Services and Recreation Director Johnson gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

Discussion followed regarding the proposed agreement and the following items were suggested for further review and consideration: set specific timelines related to submission of rosters; review and modify the termination clause; seek input from the various sports leagues; provide more detailed framework for the criteria related to the scholarship component of the program.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Olmos to amend the proposed partner agreement as discussed and bring the item back for further consideration at the April Study Session.

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

14. RESOLUTION NO.
20:004
A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Paramount Approving Proposed Permitting Requirements for Use of Park Snack Shacks
CF 74.25

Community Services and Recreation Director Johnson gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Guillen to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 20:004, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT, REQUIRING LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH PERMITS FOR OPERATION OF CITY PARK SNACK SHACKS." The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons, Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

15. ORAL REPORT
Building and Safety
Online Inspection
Requests
CF 29

Planning Director Carver presented a PowerPoint presentation providing an overview of the online process for Building and Safety inspection requests.

16. RECEIVE AND FILE
General Plan Annual
Report – Calendar Year
2019
CF 102

Planning Director Carver gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Olmos to receive and file the calendar year 2019 General Plan Annual Report and direct the City Clerk to file said report with the

Governor's Office of Planning and Research and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

17. RESOLUTION NO.
20:003
Approving the
Modification of Fees and
Charges for Pick-up and
Hauling of Refuse Within
the City of Paramount
CF 43.23

Public Works Director Figueroa, gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Olmos to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 20:003; "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT APPROVING THE MODIFICATION OF FEES AND CHARGES FOR PICK-UP AND HAULING OF REFUSE WITHIN THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT." The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Lemons,
Olmos; Vice Mayor Hofmeyer; and
Mayor Hansen

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmembers

Councilmember Guillen commented that as we enter these uncharted waters, now is the time to work together and watch out for each other. She suggested that tonight's meeting be adjourned in memory of former Councilmember Elvira Amaro.

Councilmember Olmos thanked Northgate and Stater Bros. markets for offering special hours for senior residents and reminded residents to continue support local restaurants.

Vice Mayor Hofmeyer commented that is has been a pleasure to serve the community for the past 23 years and thanked staff for taking good care of the City.

Mayor Hansen commented that is has been his honor to serve to community for over 25 years and expressed appreciation to the current and former City Councilmembers for what they have done to make Paramount the community it is. He thanked all of the City employees, past and present, for all they do.

Staff

City Manager Moreno clarified that the process used to award the contract for the West Santa Ana Branch Bikeway Phase 2 (Rosecrans Avenue to Somerset Boulevard) was the process required by Caltrans.

City Manager Moreno assured the City Council and public that staff will do everything they can to help the City through the Corona Virus crisis.

City Manager Moreno thanked Mayor Hansen and Vice Mayor Hofmeyer for their leadership.

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Hansen recessed the meeting at 7:20 p.m. to discuss the following matter in closed session:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-- ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (One potential case)

The meeting reconvened in open session at 8:10 p.m.

City Attorney Cavanaugh reported that the City Council conducted a duly authorized closed session and the City Council voted to join in on initiation of litigation against Central Basin Municipal Water District with respect to civil matters, with the caveat that the City will be able to withdraw as a party in interest if there are additional costs. The vote was four yes votes and one abstention.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Hansen adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m. to a meeting on April 7, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. At Councilmember Guillen's suggestion, the meeting was adjourned in memory of former Councilmember Elvira Amaro

/s/ Tom Hansen
Tom Hansen, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Heidi Luce
Heidi Luce, City Clerk