

**PARAMOUNT CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A ADJOURNED MEETING
MAY 19, 2020**

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

CALL TO ORDER: The adjourned meeting of the Paramount City Council was called to order via teleconference by Mayor Peggy Lemons at 5:04 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS: Present: Councilmember Isabel Aguayo
Councilmember Vilma Cuellar Stallings
Vice Mayor Brenda Olmos
Mayor Peggy Lemons

Absent: Councilmember Laurie Guillen

It was moved by Vice Mayor Olmos and seconded by Councilmember Cuellar Stallings to excuse Councilmember Guillen's absence. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Cuellar Stallings
Vice Mayor Olmos, and Mayor Lemons

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Guillen

ABSTAIN: None

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
Karina Liu, Finance Director
Steve Coumparoules, Management Analyst
Daniel Martinez, Information Technology Analyst I
Jonathan Masannat, HR Manager

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT UPDATES

CF 10.4

City Manager Moreno responded to comments made by Mr. Alex Yanez at the May 5, 2020 City Council meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 20:017
Declaring its Intention to Levy and Collect Assessments within Landscaping and Maintenance District No. 81-1 for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 and Setting a Time and Place for a Public Hearing Thereon

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

It was moved by Councilmember Aguayo and seconded by Vice Mayor Olmos to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 20:017, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS WITHIN LANDSCAPING AND MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 81-1 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 AND SETTING A TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON." The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Cuellar Stallings, Vice Mayor Olmos; and Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Guillen
ABSTAIN: None

CF 25.3

3. RECEIVE AND FILE Report on Traffic Signal Warrant Studies for Alondra Boulevard at Passage Avenue and for Garfield Avenue at 70th Street
- Public Works Director Figueroa provided background information on this item and introduced Rafael Casillas, Deputy City Engineer, who gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.
- It was moved by Vice Mayor Olmos and seconded by Councilmember Aguayo to receive and file the report. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Cuellar Stallings, Vice Mayor Olmos; and Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Guillen
ABSTAIN: None

CF 92

4. RESOLUTION NO. 20:018
Authorizing Application for, and Receipt of, Local Government Planning Support Grants
- Planning Director Carver gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.
- It was moved by Councilmember Cuellar Stallings and seconded by Vice Mayor Olmos to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 20:018, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR, AND RECEIPT OF, LOCAL GOVERNMENT PLANNING SUPPORT GRANTS PROGRAM

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| Program Funds | FUNDS.” The motion was passed by the following roll call vote: |
| CF 54 | AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Cuellar Stallings, Vice Mayor Olmos; and Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Guillen
ABSTAIN: None |
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| 5. PUBLIC HEARING | Finance Director Lam gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation. |
| Amendment to the 2017-2021 Consolidated Plan and 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant Funding Related to the CARES Act | Mayor Lemons opened the public hearing and asked if there is any testimony regarding this item. City Clerk Luce reported that there were no requests to speak or comments submitted via e-mail regarding this item.

There being no public testimony, it was moved by Vice Mayor Olmos and seconded by Councilmember Aguayo to close the public hearing. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote: |
| CF 54 | AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Cuellar Stallings, Vice Mayor Olmos; and Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Guillen
ABSTAIN: None |
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| It was moved by Councilmember Aguayo and seconded by Councilmember Cuellar Stallings to approve the proposed activities and authorize the City Manager to make modifications to the programs as needed to comply with HUD regulations and submit the plan amendments to HUD. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote: | |
| AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Cuellar Stallings, Vice Mayor Olmos; and Mayor Lemons
NOES: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Guillen
ABSTAIN: None | |
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| 6. ORAL REPORT | Assistant City Manager Vialpando gave the report and presented a Powerpoint presentation. |
| Paramount Business Recovery Efforts | |

7. APPROVAL Updated Mayor's Appointments Mayor Lemons announced the revised agency representative and alternate representative appointments as follows:
- Southeast Los Angeles County Workforce Development Board (SELACO) Policy Board - Delegate: Mayor Peggy Lemons; Alternate: Vice Mayor Brenda Olmos
- California Joint Powers Insurance Authority – added Staff Alternate Delegate: Andrew Vialpando
- Clean Power Alliance – added Staff Alternate Delegate: Adriana Figueroa
- There being no objection, the appointments were confirmed.

COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmembers

Vice Mayor Olmos thanked staff and all the collaborators that organized the food distribution on May 9, 2020. She also wished everyone a happy and safe Memorial Day weekend and thanked all military personnel for their service.

Councilmember Cuellar Stallings thanks Word with Compassion and Our Lady of the Rosary for their efforts in coordinating the food distribution event. She expressed her appreciation to the military for their service and wished everyone a happy Memorial Day.

Councilmember Aguayo commented that she is looking forward to hearing updates on the City's efforts toward business recovery and appreciates everyone's efforts in that regard. She reminded everyone to shop local and thanked all of the military men and women for their service and expressed appreciation for that have lost their lives fighting for our County. She also wished her daughter a very happy 15th birthday.

Mayor Lemons explained that the Mayor and Vice Mayor positions are elected positions – voted on by all of the sitting Councilmembers. The City Council makes nominations for the positions and the nominations are voted on by the entire City Council.

Mayor Lemons provided the following reports from recent meetings she attended:

- Sanitation District shared that there is no evidence of Coronavirus in their wastewater and all wastewater is treated with antiviral agent; and in house sampling is conducted to ensure that no virus leaves their plant. Also, there are rebates available for businesses with low water usage.
- Speaker Anthony Rendon provided a budget update and advised that the State is lobbying the Federal government for additional stimulus funds to include smaller cities like Paramount. Additionally, the League of California Cities undertaking efforts to get business back up and running in the State.

Mayor Lemons wished everyone a great Memorial Day weekend and expressed her respect and gratitude to the military for their service to our Country.

Staff

There were none.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Lemons adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m. to a meeting on June 02, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

/s/ Peggy Lemons
Peggy Lemons, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Heidi Luce
Heidi Luce, City Clerk