

**CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS CALIFORNIA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING
October 14, 2024
2:00 P.M.
Laguna Woods City Hall
24264 El Toro Road
Laguna Woods, California 92637**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hatch called the Adjourned Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Laguna Woods to order at 2:01 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER: PRESENT: Conners, McCary, Moore, Horne, Hatch
 ABSENT: -

All councilmembers participated in-person at the meeting location.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Macon, City Attorney Patterson, Administrative
 Services Director/City Treasurer Torres, City Clerk Trippy

All staff participated in-person at the meeting location.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Administrative Services Director/City Treasurer Torres led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND CEREMONIAL MATTERS

4.1 Annual Senior Mobility Program Report

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff responded to related questions.

James Tung, resident, inquired about costs of the Senior Mobility Program.

City Manager Macon briefly responded to Mr. Tung's comments.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Kate Van Camp, resident, thanked Mayor Hatch for his service to the City.

Councilmembers briefly responded to Ms. Van Camp's comments.

Vicki Johnson, resident, thanked the City Council for their service to the City, commented on upcoming elections, and asked that the City explore campaign contribution limits and lifetime term limits, and rescind The Artist Tree's commercial cannabis permit.

James Tung, resident, encouraged the City to regularly announce services in the *Laguna Woods Globe* newspaper.

Battalion Chief Justin Neville, Orange County Fire Authority, provided information on Orange County Fire Authority matters and responded to related questions.

Councilmembers briefly responded to Battalion Chief Neville's comments.

Councilmember Conners and Mayor Hatch briefly responded to Ms. Johnson's comments.

VI. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT

6.1 City Treasurer Report

Administrative Services Director/City Treasurer Torres made a presentation.

Staff responded to a question from Mayor Hatch.

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Conners, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to receive and file the City Treasurer's Report for the month of September 2024.

VII. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Councilmember Moore seconded by Councilmember McCary, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve Consent Calendar items 7.1-7.8.

7.1 City Council Minutes

Approved the City Council meeting minutes for the regular meeting on September 18, 2024.

7.2 Warrant Register

Approved the warrant register dated October 14, 2024, in the amount of \$757,209.20.

7.3 Fiscal Years 2023-25 Budget Adjustments

Adopted a resolution titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING AND ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEARS 2023-25 BUDGET AND WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024, AND FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2024 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025, INCREASING STATE OF CALIFORNIA GRANTS FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN WASTE AND RECYCLING WORK TO BE FUNDED BY CALIFORNIA SENTATE BILL 1383 LOCAL ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM (OWR1) FUNDS, AND INCREASING GENERAL FUND AND SENIOR MOBILITY FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SENIOR MOBILITY PROGRAM

7.4 Automated License Plate Recognition Systems

Approved a master services agreement and order form with Flock Group, Inc. for Flock Safety hardware products, software products, and professional services, including automated license plate readers, and authorized the City Manager to execute the master services agreement and order form, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

7.5 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Pedestrian Accessibility Improvement Project: Phase 8

1. Adopted a resolution titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING AND ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEARS 2023-25 BUDGET AND WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2023, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024, AND FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2024 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025, INCREASING GENERAL FUND AND CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE "AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) PEDESTRIAN ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: PHASE 8"

AND

2. Approved a grant of easement (temporary construction easement) with Laguna Country United Methodist Church for certain real property located in the City of Laguna Woods, more particularly described as Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 621-121-23, to enable the City to complete the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Pedestrian Accessibility Improvement Project: Phase 8, and authorized the Mayor to execute the grant of easement and accepted the grant of easement on behalf of the City, subject to approval of the grant of easement as to form by the City Attorney.

AND

3. Approved a grant of easement (temporary construction easement) with Temple Judea of Laguna Hills for certain real property located in the City of Laguna Woods, more particularly described as Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 621-121-18, to enable the City to complete the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Pedestrian Accessibility Improvement Project: Phase 8, and authorized the Mayor to execute the grant of easement and accepted the grant of easement on behalf of the City, subject to approval of the grant of easement as to form by the City Attorney

7.6 City Hall Refurbishment and Safety Project: Phase 4

1. Approved the "City Hall Refurbishment and Safety Project: Phase 4" design plans and specifications as prepared by the project architect and their licensed professionals.

AND

2. Approved a notice of exemption for the "City Hall Refurbishment and Safety Project: Phase 4" finding that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and authorized the City Manager to cause the notice of exemption to be filed pursuant to applicable law.

AND

3. Awarded a contract agreement to Estate Design and Construction, Inc. for the construction of the "City Hall Refurbishment and Safety Project: Phase 4", in the amount of \$448,800, plus authorized change orders not to exceed 15% (\$67,320) of the base amount; and authorized the City Manager to execute a contract agreement and approve change orders, subject to approval of the contract agreement as to form by the City Attorney.

7.7 Ridge Route Drive Drainage Repair Project

1. Approved the "Ridge Route Drive Drainage Repair Project" design plans and specifications as prepared by the project engineer.

AND

2. Approved a notice of exemption for the "Ridge Route Drive Drainage Repair Project" finding that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and authorized the City Manager to cause the notice of exemption to be filed pursuant to applicable law.

AND

3. Awarded a contract agreement to Palp, Inc. DBA Excel Paving Company for the construction of the "Ridge Route Drive Drainage Repair Project", in the amount of \$162,860, plus authorized change orders not to exceed 15% (\$24,429) of the base

amount; and authorized the City Manager to execute a contract agreement and approved change orders, subject to approval of the contract agreement as to form by the City Attorney.

7.8 Rejection of Claim Against the City

Rejected the following claim against the City:

Foster vs. City of Laguna Woods
Claimant: Donna Foster

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

8.1 Traffic Violator Apprehension Program Fee

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Mayor Hatch opened the public hearing.

With no requests to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Staff responded to a question from Councilmember Conners.

Moved by Councilmember McCary, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Horne, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to adopt a resolution titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 21-04; ADOPTING A MODIFIED ADMINISTRATIVE FEE TO RECOVER TO MORE THAN THE ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENTS'S REASONABLE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS RELATING TO THE REMOVAL, IMPOUND PURUSANT TO THE CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE ("TRAFFIC VIOLATOR APPREHENSION PROGRAM FEE"); AND, DETERMINING THAT THE FEE IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

8.2 Speed Limits on City Roadways

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Mayor Hatch opened the public hearing.

Vicki Johnson, resident, asked if speed limits can be lowered below 45 miles per hour.

Mike Raugh, resident, expressed confusion regarding the process for establishing speed

limits.

City Manager Macon responded to Ms. Johnson's and Mr. Raugh's comments.

With no other requests to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff responded to related questions.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Horne, seconded by Councilmember McCary, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve the introduction and first reading of an ordinance – read by title with further reading waived – titled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 8.06.010 OF THE LAGUNA WOODS MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADOPT AND ESTABLISH SPEED LIMITS FOR EL TORO ROAD, MOULTON PARKWAY, RIDGE ROUTE DRIVE, AND SANTA MARIA AVENUE, INCLUDING REDUCED SPEED LIMITS ON EL TORO ROAD BETWEEN ALISO CREEK ROAD AND CALLE SONORA, AND RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF ALL OTHER EXISTING SPEED LIMITS, AND DETERMINING AND CERTIFYING THAT THE ORDINANCE IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

IX. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

9.1 Fiscal Years 2023-34 Capital Improvement Program

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff responded to related questions.

Mike Raugh, resident, asked about the City's ability to address intersection issues inside Laguna Woods Village.

City Manager Macon responded to Mr. Raugh's comments.

Vicki Johnson, resident, expressed support for the potential relocation of the bus stop/shelter on eastbound El Toro Road west of City Hall.

Kathryn Freshley, resident, asked about the Paseo De Valencia - Moulton Parkway Confluence Bypass Corridor Project.

City Manager Macon responded to Ms. Freshley's comments.

X. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

10.1 Coastal Greenbelt Authority

Councilmember McCary stated that there had been no meeting since the last meeting.

10.2 Orange County Fire Authority

Mayor Hatch provided a report.

10.3 Orange County Library Advisory Board

Councilmember Moore stated that there had been no meeting since the last meeting.

Councilmember Moore commented on Mayor Hatch's Orange County Fire Authority report.

Battalion Chief Neville made comments.

Councilmember Moore briefly responded to questions from Mayor Hatch regarding the City of Irvine's withdrawal from OC Public Libraries.

10.4 Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District

Mayor Pro Tem Horne provided a report, including a "Day in the Life" video from the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District and PowerPoint presentation.

Mayor Pro Tem Horne and Councilmember Moore briefly responded to a question from Mayor Hatch.

10.5 San Joaquin Hills Transportation Corridor Agency

Councilmember Connors provided a report and responded to questions from Mayor Hatch.

Kathryn Freshley, resident, made comments regarding tolls on Interstate 5.

10.6 South Orange County Watershed Management Area

Councilmember Moore stated that there had been no meeting since the last meeting.

10.7 Liaisons to Community Bridge Builders

Mayor Pro Tem Horne and Councilmember McCary provided a report.

Councilmember Moore reported on her attendance at a Braver Angels event.

Councilmember McCary briefly responded to Councilmember Moore's report.

10.8 Other Comments and Reports

Councilmember Conners, Councilmember McCary, and Councilmember Moore provided reports on the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority Annual Risk Management Educational Forum, and responded to questions from Mayor Hatch.

Mayor Pro Tem Horne left the meeting at 4:09 p.m. and returned at 4:13 p.m.

Councilmember Moore provided a report on the Orange County Local Agency Formation Commission.

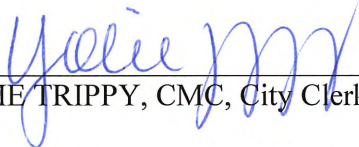
City Manager Macon clarified a statement he made during Item 9.1 in reference to the El Toro Road and Moulton Parkway Water Quality Improvement Project Phase 2.

XI. CLOSED SESSION – None

XII. CLOSED SESSION REPORT – None

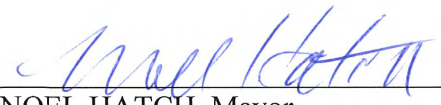
XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:19 p.m. The next regular meeting will be at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.



YOLIE TRIPPY, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: November 20, 2024



NOEL HATCH, Mayor