



Minutes

**Regular Meeting of the Lompoc City Council
Tuesday, February 1, 2022
City Hall, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Council Chamber**

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CLOSED SESSION

OPEN SESSION – 6:10 P.M. – Council Chamber

Council Members Present: Victor Vega, Dirk Starbuck, Gilda Cordova, Jeremy Ball, and Mayor Jenelle Osborne.

Staff Present: City Manager Dean Albro, City Clerk Stacey Haddon, and City Attorney Jeff Malawy.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

CLOSED SESSION – City Council Conference Room

BUSINESS ITEM:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION:** Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1) City of Lompoc v. Mission Hills Community Services District, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. 20CV02225

OPEN SESSION - 6:30 P.M. – Council Chamber

Council Members Present: Victor Vega, Dirk Starbuck, Gilda Cordova, Jeremy Ball, and Mayor Jenelle Osborne.

Staff Present: City Manager Dean Albro, City Clerk Stacey Haddon, City Attorney Jeff Malawy, Community Development Program Manager Chanel Ovalle, Urban Forestry Superintendent Sean O’Neil, Human Resources Manager Gabriel Garcia, and Acting Management Services Director Christine Donnelly.

Others Present: Brian Gruber and Deb Andrews.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION:

City Attorney Jeff Malawy stated no reportable action was taken during the Closed Session.

Chaplain Keith McLellan gave the invocation and Mayor Jenelle Osborne led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Osborne presented the following proclamations in honor of:

- Black History Month 2022; and
- The appointment of William T. Kalin to the Selective Service System Local Board

Acting Management Services Director Christine Donnelly provided presentations on:

- **FY 2020/21 Audit and Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) Review**
- **Mid-Year 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget Review**

Bryan Gruber of Lance, Soll & Lunghard, LLP, (LSL), the independent financial auditors who audited the City's financial statements, provided a brief presentation on the audit process and the findings LSL presented in its official report.

Council thanked Staff and Mr. Gruber for the information presented and briefly discussed the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and Mid-Year 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget.

CITY MANAGER REPORT: (Information only)

- **List of City expenditures**
 - December 27-31, 2021 - \$234,524.09
 - January 3 – 7, 2022 - \$1,788,475.50
 - Payroll January 7, 2022 - \$1,696,342.13

City Manager Dean Albro thanked Acting Management Services Director Christine Donnelly for the hard work the Finance Department completed to ensure the financial audits were completed on time; commended the Human Resources Division for its successful workmen's compensation reports audit; and congratulated newly installed Police Department Lieutenants Allen Chisholm and Agustin Arias.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS (Max of 3 Minutes): None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Council Member Cordova pulled Consent Calendar Item No. 3 for discussion.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Vega/Ball. By a 5-0 vote, Council:

1. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6472(22) Deleting the Portion of Condition of Approval P6 Which Requires Sales Tax Generating Uses on the First Floor of the Cypress Court Project Located at 1420 East Ocean Avenue, from CUP 08-05.**

Adopted Resolution No. 6472(22) deleting the Portion of Condition of Approval P6 from CUP 08-05 pertaining to the existing Cypress Court Project which allows only sales tax generating uses on the first floor of a previously constructed 12,000-square-foot commercial building located at 1420 East Ocean Avenue (APN's: 085-600-002, 085-600-003 and 085-600-005) in the Planned Commercial Development zone

2. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6473(22) Approving the Update of the City of Lompoc Transit (COLT) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goals for Federal Fiscal Years 2022-2024.**

Adopted Resolution No. 6473(22), approving and authorizing submittal of the City of Lompoc Transit (COLT) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goals for Federal Fiscal Years 2022-2024 to the Federal Transit Administration.

CONSENT CALENDAR: (cont'd)

Pulled by Council Member Cordova for discussion

- 3. **Approval of Response to the 2021 Santa Barbara County Grand Jury Report – “Keys to Housing the Homeless in Santa Barbara County”**
- 4. **Introduction of Ordinance No. 1688(22) and Adoption of Resolution No. 6474(22) Changing the Method For Filling Vacancies on Some City Commissions to Allow Commissioners to Be Appointed from Outside the Appointing Councilmember’s District, in Some Circumstances**

Introduced, for first reading by title only with further reading waived, Ordinance No. 1688(22) changing the method for filling vacancies on the Beautification & Appearance Commission, Parks & Recreation Commission, Planning Commission, and Utility Commission to allow commissioners to be appointed from outside of the appointing Council Member’s district, in some circumstances; and adopt Resolution No. 6474(22), changing the method for filling vacancies on the Human Services Commission and Public Safety Commission to allow commissioners to be appointed from outside of the appointing Council Member’s district, in some circumstances, by updating the Commission Handbook to include these new procedures.

STAFF PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS:

- Urban Forestry Superintendent Sean O’Neil provided an update report regarding City-owned high maintenance trees.

Council Member Starbuck thanked Staff for the information and asked for Staff to comment on the stone pines on South H Street, and if a small utility truck would be helpful to the Urban Forestry Division. Urban Forestry Superintendent Sean O’Neil stated the City continues to monitor the stone pine trees on South H Street with the intent to keep them healthy and viable for as long as possible; and answered yes, a smaller utility truck would be useful.

Council Member Ball asked Staff to explain how the stone pine trees on South H Street are monitored. Mr. O’Neil stated a plan of care is in place after regular inspection from a specialized arborist consultant assesses the trees.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (3 Minutes Maximum):

- 1. Deb Andrews spoke about her concerns regarding COVID-19 vaccines and mask mandates.
- 2. Leah (No Last Name Given), via phone, spoke in opposition of Ms. Andrews public comment.

APPOINTMENTS:

- 5. Council Appointments to the Appearance & Beautification and the Parks & Recreation Commissions.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Cordova/Ball. By a 5-0 vote, Council appointed Robert McCoston to the Appearance & Beautification Commission for a term ending December 31, 2024 for District 1

ACTION: Motion/Second: Starbuck/Ball. By a 5-0 vote, Council appointed Stephanie Saucedo to the Parks & Recreation Commission for a term ending December 31, 2022 for District 3

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

6. **Adoption of Ordinance No. 1687(22) Authorizing an Amendment to the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) Contract to Implement Cost Sharing which will Repeal Ordinance No. 1676(20).**

Gabriel Garcia, Human Resources Manager presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Council Member Cordova asked if the cost sharing with City employees had been implemented or if that had to wait until this ordinance was adopted. Human Resources Manager Gabriel Garcia stated the cost sharing was already in place and has been collected; and explained this ordinance will allow the City to provide the payment to the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS).

Public Comment: None

ACTION: Motion/Second: Ball/Starbuck. By a 5-0 vote, Council to introduced for first reading by title only, with further reading waived, Ordinance No. 1687(22), authorizing an Amendment to the Contract between the City and the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) which repeals and replaces prior Ordinance No. 1676(20).

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

CONSENT CALENDAR: (cont'd)

3. **Approval of Response to the 2021 Santa Barbara County Grand Jury Report – “Keys to Housing the Homeless in Santa Barbara County”**

Chanel Ovalle, Community Development Program Manager presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Council Member Cordova asked if the response letter (response to Finding 1) should be revised to reflect the Santa Maria Motel 6 not being converted to residential units. Community Development Director Christie Alarcon stated those units will be converted as per the information provided today.

Council Member Ball emphasized the need to have the City continue to work in partnership with the County and all cities within the County.

Public Comment:

1. Deb Andrews stated the cause of homelessness is the prohibitive costs to build a home.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Ball/Starbuck. By a 4-1 vote (Council Member Vega voted No), Council review the Santa Barbara County Grand Jury report entitled **Keys to Housing the Homeless in Santa Barbara County** and approve the proposed response letter presented on behalf of the City, pursuant to California Penal Code Sections 933 and 933.05.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (2 Minutes Maximum): None

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND MEETING REPORTS:

Council Member Ball stated he was honored to be present at the Lompoc Police Department promotion ceremony and congratulated Lieutenants Allen Chisholm and Agustin Arias.

Council Member Vega thanked all audience members for attending this meeting and invited all community members to attend and participate in the City Council and all City board, commission, and committee meetings.

Mayor Osborne announced the annual Point in Time count will be held on February 23, 2022 from 5:30am – 8:30am; the City's Recreation Division is hosting the Father Daughter Dance on February 4, 5, and 6, 2022 at the Anderson Recreation Center and tickets are available for purchase now; a special City Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 regarding redistricting for the purpose of electing City Council members; and reported she attended the ribbon cutting ceremony in Buellton, CA for the new Clean Air Express buses as well as the Lompoc Police Department promotion ceremony.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:17 P.M. Mayor Osborne adjourned the Lompoc City Council to a Regular Meeting on February 15, 2022 at 6:30 P.M., in City of Lompoc Council Chamber.

Respectfully, submitted to Council for review on February 24, 2022 by: /Stacey Haddon/
Stacey Haddon, City Clerk