



City of Commerce

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 18, 2017 - 5:00 PM

**CONCURRENT REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
COMMERCE, JOINT POWERS FINANCING AUTHORITY AND THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COMMERCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION**

5:00 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Baca del Rio called meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL

Present: 3 - Councilmember Leon
Councilmember Rebollo
Mayor Pro Tem Baca Del Rio

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Argumedo
Mayor Altamirano

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no individuals wishing to address the City Council/Successor Agency on any items on the Closed Session Agenda.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

City Council/Successor Agency recessed to Closed Session at 5:05 p.m.

1. Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(a), the City Council will confer with its legal counsel, and take the appropriate action, with respect to the pending litigation of: East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice v City of Commerce, et al., Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles, Case No. BS164349.
2. Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9 (b), the City Council will confer with its legal counsel, and take appropriate action with respect to significant exposure to litigation in two potential cases.
3. Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6 the City Council will confer with its labor negotiator, Matthew Rodriguez, with respect to labor negotiations pertaining to:
 - A. The Memoranda of Understanding between the City and the City of Commerce Employees Association on behalf of the part -time employees.

B. The Memoranda of Understanding between the City and the City of Commerce Employees Association on behalf of the mid-management and non-management full-time employees.

C. Compensation and benefits for the unrepresented full-time executive management employees.

4. Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8, the Successor Agency will confer with its real property negotiator, Matthew Rodriguez with respect to real estate negotiations with Craig Realty Corporation concerning proposed price and other terms relating thereto, comprised of the former Commerce Community Development Commission-owned real property located along the Telegraph Road Corridor, south of Gaspar Avenue and north of the Commerce Casino [Tubeway Avenue], formerly known as 5809, 5819, 5823, 2901/2903, 5933, 5959, 6000, 6003 and 6233 Telegraph Road and 2240 Gaspar Avenue; 2311, 2322 and 2366 Travers Avenue, Commerce, California.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

City Council/Successor Agency reconvened to Open Session at 6:34 p.m.

ORAL CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

City Attorney/Legal Counsel Olivo reported on Closed Session item

Items #1 and #2 - The City Council did not take any reportable action on those two items.

The City Council did not go into Closed Session on item #3 and item #4.

6:30 P.M. - CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Baca Del Rio called regular City Council meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Pro Tem Baca Del Rio Tina stated that Mayor Altamirano is on official visit in Asqualientes and Councilmember Argumedo is attending to personal family matters.

Present: 3 - Councilmember Leon
Councilmember Rebollo
Mayor Pro Tem Baca Del Rio

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Argumedo
Mayor Altamirano

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Finance Director Domic led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Councilmember Rebollo offered the invocation.

APPEARANCES AND PRESENTATIONS

1. A Proclamation Declaring the Month of April 2017 as Autism Awareness Month, and Presentation of Certificates of Recognition to Daniel David Miranda II, Emilio Gudino, George Fernandez, Miguel Torres, Jr., and Travis Stevens

Councilmember Rebollo read the proclamation and Mayor Pro Tem and Councilmembers issued Certificates of Recognition to Daniel David Miranda II, Emilio Gudino, George Fernandez, Miguel Torres, Jr., and Travis Stevens.

2. Presentation of Certificate of Recognition to Larry Garcia, Facility Maintenance Supervisor, as the Employee of the Quarter (1st Quarter /January-March, 2017)

Councilmembers presented a Certificate of Recognition to Employee of the Quarter Larry Garcia

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lisa Dortch spoke about the speed racing on Malt Avenue, and noted that recently street racing occurred during the daytime, which disrupted business operations.

Captain Perez stated that there were recent changes in the station and introduced new Operations Lieutenant Eric Smitsen.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor pro Tem Baca del Rio stated that item #7 is pulled from the Consent Calendar for discussion and item #11 is continued to Monday, April 24, 2017.

Councilmember Rebollo moved, seconded by Councilmember Leon, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Councilmember Leon, Councilmember Rebollo, and Mayor Pro Tem Baca Del Rio

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Argumedo, and Mayor Altamirano

3. Approval of Warrant Register Nos. 19A and 19B
4. Approval of Minutes
5. A Proclamation Declaring April 2017 as "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" and April 26, 2017 as "Denim Day"

6. A Proclamation Declaring April 2017 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month"
7. Certificate of Recognition for Brenda Villa for Receiving the 2017 Pioneer Women of the Year Award from the City of Los Angeles

Councilmember Rebollo asked whether Brenda Villa was contacted and invited to attend the meeting. Parks and Recreation Director Lipton stated that Ms. Villa is out of the area and could not attend the meeting.

Councilmember Rebollo moved, seconded b Councilmember Leon, to approve Certificate of Recognition for Brenda Villa for receiving the 2017 Pioneer Woman of the Year Award from the City of Los Angeles. The motion carried b the following vote:

*AYES: Councilmembers Leon, Rebollo and Mayor Pro Tem Baca Del Rio
Absent: Councilmember Argumedo and Mayor Altamirano*

8. Approval of Additional 2017 Civic Organization Renewal
9. Authorize Gibson Transportation Consulting, Inc., to Conduct a Traffic Impact Study for a Proposed Project at 7316 Gage Avenue
10. Landscape Maintenance Agreement with Caltrans for the Maintenance of Westerly I-5 Interchange Landscape Areas in the City of Commerce
11. Internship Agreements with Montebello Unified School District and California State University, Fullerton For the City's Cable Television Program
12. Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement to participate in the Our Little Helpers, Inc. Food Service Program

ORDINANCES

13. An Ordinance Approving the Transfer to Torrance Pipeline Company, LLC, of a Pipeline Franchise to ExxonMobil Oil Corporation - Second Reading

City Attorney Olivo provided an overview of the staff report.

Mayor Pro Tem Baca Del Rio opened Public Comment. There were none. Mayor Pro Tem Baca Del Rio closed Public Comment.

Councilmember Rebollo moved, seconded by Councilmember Leon, to read the Ordinance by title only.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Leon, Rebollo, and Mayor Pro Tem Baca Del Rio.

Absent: Councilmember Argumedo and Mayor Altamirano

City Attorney Olivo read the title of the ordinance.

Councilmember Leon moved, seconded by Councilmember Rebollo, to adopt Ordinance approving the transfer to Torrance Pipeline Company, LLC, of a pipeline franchise to ExxonMobil Oil Corporation by Ordinance No. 582. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Councilmember Leon, Councilmember Rebollo, and Mayor Pro Tem Baca Del Rio

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Argumedo, and Mayor Altamirano

SCHEDULED MATTERS

14. Commercial Refuse Management

This item was continued to Monday, April 24, 2017 Adjourned City Council meeting.

15. Veterans Memorial Park Lead Abatement Project - Approval of Change Order for Abatement and Demolition Services

Deputy Director of Public Works Operations Nila provided a brief overview of the staff report. This item was continued to Monday, April 24, 2017 Adjourned City Council meeting.

16. Fiscal Year 2017-18 Budget - Initial General Fund Projected Numbers

Finance Director Domic provided an overview of the staff report. This item was informational only. No action was taken on this item.

17. Revised Commerce Speed Hump Policy

This item was continued to Monday, April 24, 2017 Adjourned City Council meeting.

18. Astor Avenue Median Island Beautification and Speed Hump Installation Funding Requests

This item was continued to Monday, April 24, 2017 Adjourned City Council meeting.

19. Citywide Streetlight Pole Replacement Project

This item was continued to later date.

CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY REPORTS

Councilmember Rebollo thanked Day Camp staff.

Councilmember Leon thanked Commerce Casino and Hotel for sponsoring Dance recital. There were over 500 people in attendance.

Mayor Pro Tem Baca Del Rio announced the date for Cinco De Mayo event at Bristow Park, scheduled for April 30, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m. to Monday, April 24, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.