



City of Commerce

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 17, 2018 - 5:00 PM

**CONCURRENT ADJOURNED 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 Rebollo called meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. in the Council Chambers

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Councilmember Argumedo
Councilmember Mendoza
Councilmember Soria
Mayor Pro Tem Altamirano
Mayor Rebollo

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no individuals wishing to address the City Council on any items on the Closed Session agenda.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

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

1. Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(a), the Successor Agency will confer with its legal counsel, and take the appropriate action, with respect to the pending litigation of: *Mayans Development, Inc. and Los Jardines, LLC v City of Commerce Community Development Commission, et al.*, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles, Case No. BC505679.
2. Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6 the City Council will confer with its labor negotiator, Edgar Cisneros, 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.

3. Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(e)(3) Regarding Anticipated/Potential Litigation - One (1) Matter
4. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) to discuss existing litigation (1 case) - *City of Commerce v. Flight 30 CAP, et al.* - L.A.S.C. Case No. BC664507

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

City Council/Successor Agency reconvened to Open Session at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

ORAL CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

Assistant City Attorney Copado reported on Closed Session items:

Items #1, #2 and #3 - Staff provided presentation, and the City Council provided further direction to staff. No final action was taken on those items

Item #4- Settlement authority provided by the City Council. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Argumedo, Mendoza, Soria, Mayor Pro Tem Altamirano and Mayor Rebollo.

6:00 P.M. - CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rebollo called meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Councilmember Argumedo
Councilmember Mendoza
Councilmember Soria
Mayor Pro Tem Altamirano
Mayor Rebollo

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Administrator Cisneros led the Pledge of Allegiance

INVOCATION

Councilmember Mendoza offered the invocation.

APPEARANCES AND PRESENTATIONS**1. Introduction of 2018 Student Government.**

Recreation Supervisor Fierro introduced 2018 Student Government.

2. Proclamation Declaring April 15 - 21, 2018 as National Volunteer Week in the City of Commerce, and Recognize Volunteers for their Dedicated Service to the Food Distribution Program

Mayor and Councilmembers proclaimed April 15-21, 2018 as National Volunteer Week.

3. A Proclamation Declaring the Month of April 2018 DMV/Donate Life California Month and Presentation of Certificate to Elisa Padilla for bringing awareness to the significance of voluntary organ donation

Mayor and Councilmembers proclaimed the Month of April 2018 as DMV/Donate Life California month and presented Certificate of Recognition to Elisa Padilla.

4. Proclamation Designating April 24, 2018 as Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day in the City of Commerce

Mayor Pro Tem Altamirano, Mayor and Councilmembers proclaimed April 24, 2018 as Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day.

5. Presentation on 2018 National Library Week.

Library Director Sarmiento provided overview of the library week events.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Guadalupe Cambreros, Supervisor Solis Office Field Representative, introduced herself as new Field Representative.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Rebollo asked to pull item #9 and Councilmember Mendoza asked to pull item #11 for discussion.

Item #9- Mayor Rebollo stated that there are the same rides every year and recommended that staff looks into changing it up. Director of Parks and Recreation Lipton stated that staff could ask the company whether any different rides are available. City Administrator Cisneros recommended that agreement is

approved and staff will look for a different vendor next year.

Councilmember Argumedo moved, seconded by Councilmember Soria, to adopt Resolution approving agreement with Rick Larson, DBA Wold Amusements, Inc. for carnival services for Independence Day celebration at Rosewood park. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Argumedo, Mendoza, Soria, Mayor Pro Tem Altamirano and Mayor Rebollo (5)

Item #11 - Discussion ensued about requirement for environmental review. Councilmember Soria moved, seconded by Councilmember Mendoza, to adopt Resolution authorizing MIG Planning and Environmental Services, subject to an existing on-call agreement, to conduct the appropriate environmental analysis pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for a proposed project at 6300 Telegraph Road. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Argumedo, Mendoza, Soria, Mayor Pro Tem Altamirano and Mayor Rebollo (5)

Councilmember Argumedo moved, seconded by Councilmember Soria, to approve the Consent Calendar minus items #9 and #11. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Councilmember Argumedo, Councilmember Mendoza, Councilmember Soria, Mayor Pro Tem Altamirano, and Mayor Rebollo

6. Approval of Warrant Register Nos. 18A and 18B
7. Approval of Minutes
8. Approval of 2018 Civic Organizations
9. Agreement with Rick Larson, DBA Wold Amusements, Inc. for Carnival Services
10. Agreement with Pyro Spectaculars, Inc. for the 4th of July Pyrotechnic Display at Rosewood Park
11. Authorize MIG Planning to Conduct the Appropriate Environmental Review for a Proposed Project at 6300 Telegraph Road
12. Agreement with Lead Tech Environmental for Asbestos and Lead-Based Paint Consulting Services in Conjunction with the Home Preservation Grant Program

13. Ordinance Implementing an Administrative Fines and Citations Program, and Amending General Penalty Provisions (Adoption)

SCHEDULED MATTERS

14. Procedures and Requirements for the Processing of Development Agreements

Deputy Director of Development Services Marquez provided an overview of the staff report. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Mendoza moved, seconded by Councilmember Soria, to adopt Resolution approving procedures and requirements for the processing of Development Agreements. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Councilmember Argumedo, Councilmember Mendoza, Councilmember Soria, Mayor Pro Tem Altamirano, and Mayor Rebollo

15. Astor Avenue Median Island Beautification Project

Public Works and Development Services Director Babaki provided an overview of the staff report. Discussion ensued about parking spaces, design of the median and drainage.

Councilmember Argumedo moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Altamirano, to adopt Resolution approving Plans and Specifications for Astor Avenue Medians and Landscape Improvement on Astor Avenue at Coutts Avenue, and Astor Avenue at Como Street, and authorize staff to issue a contract change order in the amount of \$200,000 on the existing FY 2017-18 Pavement Rehabilitation Program contract with Excel Paving Company for median construction and landscape work on Astor Avenue. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Councilmember Argumedo, Councilmember Mendoza, Councilmember Soria, Mayor Pro Tem Altamirano, and Mayor Rebollo

16. Update on Fitzgerald Avenue Parking

Public Works and Development Services Director Babaki provided an overview of the staff report, stated that the survey will be distributed to residents in the area, and once responses are analyzed results will be presented to the City Council. Discussion ensued, and there was a recommendation of establishing permit parking with a monthly fee versus annual fee.

Councilmember Soria moved, seconded by Councilmember Argumedo, to

approve the release of survey and present analysis to the City Council at a later date. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Councilmember Argumedo, Councilmember Mendoza, Councilmember Soria, Mayor Pro Tem Altamirano, and Mayor Rebollo

17. Recreational and Oversized Vehicle(s) Used for Dwelling Purposes and Parked and/or Stored on Public Right-of-Ways

Assistant City Attorney Copado provided an overview of the staff report. Discussion took place regarding public safety and hazard issues with homeless people, but also taking into account their situation and following more humane approach in dealing with homeless. Councilmember asked whether recent Measure passed by the Los Angeles County could help fund some needed assistance for those homeless individuals. Further discussion ensued and it was recommended that opportunities are offered to individuals and if they refuse the services/opportunities offered then the City could take action and enforce the Municipal Code. Assistant City Attorney Copado stated that she will conduct additional research and present a draft ordinance for consideration.

Mayor Rebollo moved, seconded by Councilmember Mendoza, to approve option 1: Conduct any additional research based on questions or concerns discussed by the City Council, and report back to City Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Councilmember Argumedo, Councilmember Mendoza, Councilmember Soria, Mayor Pro Tem Altamirano, and Mayor Rebollo

CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY REPORTS

Councilmember Argumedo reported that he attended CREA meeting where an update was provided about planned CREA plant close in June. Councilmember Argumedo reported that he attended Dodgers Community Night and Relay for Life in Bandini Park.

Councilmember Mendoza reported that he attended Vector Control meeting, and Dodgers Community Night.

Councilmember Soria reported that he attended Dodgers Community Night, and commended Boys Travel Team.

Mayor Rebollo reported that she attended Water Coalition meeting and reminded residents about the importance of water conservation. Mayor Rebollo reported that she attended United Family of Bristow anniversary dance, wished Commerce

Crush Volleyball luck at Vegas tournament. Mayor Rebollo announced upcoming events.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.