



Tuesday, April 22, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, Pico Rivera City Hall, 6615 Passons Boulevard, Pico Rivera, California.

Mayor Tercero called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on behalf of the City Council.

**PRESENT:** Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Tercero

**ABSENT:** Salcido (excused)

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** None.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

**a. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Title: City Manager

Recessed to Closed Session at 5:00 p.m.

ALL FOUR MEMBERS WERE PRESENT (SALCIDO ABSENT)

Reconvened from Closed Session at 6:10 p.m.

ALL FOUR MEMBERS WERE PRESENT (SALCIDO ABSENT)

**OPEN SESSION:**

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman reported that direction was provided to staff, no final action was taken and that there was nothing further to report.

**INVOCATION:** Councilmember Archuleta

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Councilmember Camacho

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

- Employee Recognitions:
  - Art Cervantes, Public Works, 5 years
  - Hector Hernandez, Community & Economic Development, 5 years
  - Paul Gandara, Information Technology (IT), 10 years

**1<sup>ST</sup> PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:**

Levon Kirakosian:

- Addressed the City Council regarding Item No. 3 Friendship City Resolution and provided the Christian history of Karvachar.

Viken Pakradouni:

- Addressed the City Council to speak of his association with the City in regard to his attendance at the local Armenian School and thanked City Council for strengthening ties with the City.

Jack Hadjinian:

- Addressed the City Council regarding the local Armenian School, proposed Friendship City Resolution and commemoration events taking place in Montebello regarding Armenian Genocide.

David Ghoogasian:

- Addressed the City Council regarding the Friendship Resolution and Armenian Genocide.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**1. Minutes:**

- Approved City Council meeting of April 8, 2014

**2. Approved 17<sup>th</sup> Warrant Register of the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year.**

(700)

Check Numbers: 261415-261585

Special Checks Numbers: None

**3. Friendship City – Karvachar, Republic of Artsakhan. (300)**

1. Approved Resolution No. 6757 in support of Karvachar, Republic of Artsakhan invitation to become a Friendship City.

Resolution No. 6757 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, RECOGNIZING THE TOWN OF KARVACHAR, REPUBLIC OF ARTSAKH AS ITS FIRST FRIENDSHIP CITY

**4. Rosemead/Lakewood Boulevard at Telegraph Road Intersection Improvements Project, CIP No. 21273 – Cooperative Agreement with the City of Downey. (500)**

This item was pulled from the Consent Calendar for further discussion and clarification.

**5. Passons Boulevard Underpass Project, Phase IV, CIP No. 20053 – Authorization to Bid. (500)**

1. Approved Plans, Specifications and Estimate (PS&E) for the Passons Boulevard Underpass Project, Phase IV, CIP No. 20053;
2. Authorized the City Clerk to publish the Notice Inviting Bids; and
3. Approved the Notice of Exemption and authorized the City Clerk to file it with the County Recorder.

**6. Paramount Boulevard Landscape Median Improvements, CIP No. 21272 – Award Professional Services Agreement for Engineering Services. (500)**

This item was pulled from the Consent Calendar for further discussion and clarification.

**7. Accept Letters of No Prejudice with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) to Initiate Congestion Hot Spot Intersection Projects. (500)**

1. Accepted the Letters of No Prejudice with METRO, dated March 19, 2014, and authorized staff to begin expenditures of the \$2,417,000 in grant funds received from the SR-91/I-605/I-405 Hot Spots Program prior to the execution of the formal funding agreements with METRO which is necessary to accelerate project implementation.

**8. Treasurer's Report – December 31, 2013. (700)**

1. Received and filed Quarterly Treasurer's Report for the quarter ending December 31, 2013.

Motion by Councilmember Armenta, seconded by Councilmember Archuleta to approve Consent Calendar Items No. 1, 2, 3, 5, 7 and 8. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Tercero

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Salcido

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION:**

**4. Rosemead/Lakewood Boulevard at Telegraph Road Intersection Improvements Project, CIP No. 21273 – Cooperative Agreement with the City of Downey. (500)**

Mayor Tercero asked if this would have an impact on the recent median improvements that were made on Telegraph Road with City Manager Bates responding that it would not. Mr. Bates stated that this project is for intersection improvements.

Motion by Mayor Tercero, seconded by Councilmember Archuleta to 1) Authorize the Mayor to execute a cooperative agreement with the City of Downey for the design and construction of the Rosemead/Lakewood Boulevard at Telegraph Road Intersection Improvements Project, CIP No. 21273; and 2) Appropriate \$300,000 in Proposition C, Local Return Funds to CIP 21273.

Agreement No. 14-1474

**AYES:** Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Tercero

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Salcido

**6. Paramount Boulevard Landscape Median Improvements, CIP No. 21272 – Award Professional Services Agreement for Engineering Services. (500)**

Mayor Tercero commented on the selection process utilized by City staff and requested that staff provide a more detailed analysis of the process as it pertains to each vendor.

Motion by Mayor Tercero, seconded by Councilmember Archuleta to award a Professional Services Agreement to Joseph C. Truxaw and Associates, Inc. for engineering services necessary to prepare the design documents for the Paramount Boulevard Landscape Median Improvements, Whittier Boulevard to Mines Avenue, CIP No. 21272, for an amount not-to-exceed \$130,600, and authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement in a form approved by the City Attorney.

Agreement No. 14-1475

**AYES:** Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Tercero

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Salcido

**LEGISLATION:**

- 9. Regional Water Quality Control Board – MS4 Permit Compliance – Introduction of an Ordinance for the Low Impact Development Program and Adoption of a Resolution of Green Streets Policies. (500)**

A brief PowerPoint presentation was provided by the City's consultant Ray Tahir of Tech Environmental Engineering on the LID Ordinance and Green Street Policy Resolution required by the Los Angeles County Municipal NPDES permit adopted in 2012.

Councilmember Archuleta asked how the infiltration system that was presented would be funded through grants or the City's budget. City Manager Bates stated that the responsibility for the infiltration system as presented in the presentation would be with the developer. The cost to the City, he stated, is when the City is required to clean-up the storm water above current drinking water standards as it travels into the San Gabriel River/Rio Hondo channels.

Councilmember Camacho commented on the unreasonable mandate placed on cities to clean-up the storm water to above current drinking water standards and the cost to do so.

Motion by Councilmember Armenta, seconded by Councilmember Archuleta to: 1) Introduce Ordinance No. 1086 amending the Pico Rivera Municipal Code Title 16 Chapter 16.04, "Storm Water and Urban Runoff Pollution Prevention" to incorporate Low Impact Development (LID) provisions, and set a public hearing for May 13, 2014;

2) Adopt Resolution No. 6758 establishing a Green Streets Policy in compliance with the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit; and 3) Approve the Pico Rivera Green Streets Guidance Manual and direct the Director of Public Works/City Engineer to maintain and update the manual, as required, for compliance with the MS4 Permit.

Ordinance No. 1086 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING PICO RIVERA MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 16.04, STORM WATER AND URBAN RUNOFF POLLUTION PREVENTION **(FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION)**

Resolution No. 6758 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A GREEN STREETS POLICY

Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Salcido

**ABSTAIN:** Tercero

**MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY MEETINGS:**

Councilmember Armenta reported that the County Sanitation Districts hosted a Hazardous Waste Pickup at the Gas Company with about 800 residents participating.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Councilmember Archuleta requested that residents and staff be pro-active in reporting graffiti, shopping carts, etc. in order to keep the City looking clean.

Councilmember Camacho stated that the post office should be notified that the U.S. flag has not been hoisted and Councilmember Armenta reported that the U.S. flag at the History & Heritage facility needs to be replaced.

Mayor Tercero referenced a letter from the City of Whittier asking the City to look into funding a Metro Gold Line consultant and directed staff to follow through on options for funding the consultant. He also requested that staff increase security at the wall/alley near the Apartments on Paramount and Whittier Boulevards where the new Fast Five Carwash is located.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**2<sup>ND</sup> PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENTS – ALL OTHER CITY-RELATED BUSINESS:**

Andy and Dorothy Hernandez, A&D Transportation owners:

- Addressed the City Council regarding bus transportation issues.

Rudy Guevera, SEIU representative:

- Addressed the City Council regarding termination of an employee.

George Rivera:

- Addressed the City Council regarding employee issues.

Susan Lozano, representative of the History & Heritage Society:

- Addressed the City Council to invite them to an Open House on May 3, 2014 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and to thank City Council for their support of the historical museum.

Celia Galindo:

- Addressed the City Council to invite them to a fundraiser on May 7<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Shakey's Pizza Parlor sponsored by the History & Heritage Society.

Recessed to Closed Session at 7:15 p.m.

ALL FOUR MEMBERS WERE PRESENT (SALCIDO ABSENT)

Reconvened from Closed Session at 8:05 p.m.

ALL FOUR MEMBERS WERE PRESENT (SALCIDO ABSENT)

**CLOSED SESSION(S):**

**a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 subdivision (d) paragraph (1)  
Jeff Tracy dba Land Forms Construction v. City of Pico Rivera  
Case No. VC 062697

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman reported that direction was provided to Special Counsel, no final action was taken and that there was nothing further to report.

**b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 subdivision (d) paragraph (1)  
City of Pico Rivera v. Water Replenishment District of Southern California  
(and related cases)  
Case No. BS139228

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman reported that direction was provided to City Council and staff regarding a Tolling Agreement, no final action was taken and that there was nothing further to report.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Tercero adjourned the City Council meeting at 8:06 p.m. There being no objection it was so ordered.

**AYES:** Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Tercero

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Salcido

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Brent A. Tercero, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Anna M. Jerome, City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct report of the proceedings of the City Council regular meeting dated April 22, 2014 and approved by the City Council on May 13, 2014.

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Anna M. Jerome, City Clerk