



Tuesday, March 10, 2020

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

Mayor Pro Tem Elias called the regular meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. on behalf of the City Council.

PRESENT: Elias, Salcido, Sanchez, Tercero

ABSENT: Camacho

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mike Lay, Parks and Recreation Commission

INVOCATION: Delivered by Councilmember Dr. Sanchez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Councilmember Dr. Sanchez

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

- ACE Durfee Avenue presentation

Mark Christoffels, Director of Capital Projects/Chief Engineer with Alameda Corridor East (ACE) provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Durfee Grade Separation project. Council Members inquired about hiring local construction companies to work on the Grade Separation project and notifications to residents regarding the school bus program offered by ACE. Mr. Christoffels stated that the contractor is obligated to follow federal laws in the vetting process in which the contractor reaches out to registered Disadvantage Business Enterprises (DBE's). In regard to the bus program, he stated that ACE worked directly with the school district to provide information to the residents.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Housing Assistance Agency:

1. **Public Hearing – Housing Assistance Agency (Section 8) – 5-Year Agency Plan for 2020 through 2025.** (1600)

Mayor Pro Tem Elias opened the Public Hearing and noted that there was no written communications or public comment cards to provide public testimony.

Mayor Pro Tem Elias closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilmember Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Tercero to approve Resolution No. HA-101 approving the Housing Assistance Agency Section 8 Program 5-Year Agency Plan 2020-2025; and authorize the submittal of the Civil Rights

Certification form, the Certification by State or Local Office of the PHA Consistency with the Consolidated form, and the Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations form to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. HA-101 A RESOLUTION OF THE PICO RIVERA HOUSING ASSISTANCE AGENCY APPROVING SUBMITTAL OF THE PICO RIVERA HOUSING ASSISTANCE AGENCY FIVE YEAR AGENCY PLAN FOR 2020-2025

AYES: Elias, Salcido, Sanchez, Tercero
NOES: None
ABSENT: Camacho

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Lurene Ross:

- Addressed the City Council regarding the property located at 3900 Baybar Road and requested a meeting with the Mayor and or a Council Member on-site.

Lauren Talbott, Pico Rivera Community Library Manager:

- Addressed the City Council regarding upcoming library programs and events for the month of March and April.

Jose Sanchez:

- Addressed the City Council to thank them for their interest in resolving street issues of thumping, shock vibration and loud road noise on Rosemead Boulevard.

Alondra Vasquez:

- Addressed the City Council regarding rent control for mobile home parks and business revenues affected by the Durfee Avenue Grade Separation project.

The following speakers addressed the City Council to speak in favor of rent control for mobile home parks:

- Amelia Rojo
- Diego Rubalcava

In regard to speakers' comments, Councilmember Dr. Sanchez asked if vouchers for economic relief are printed in Spanish and Councilmember Tercero asked if business owners are still eligible to apply for the vouchers to assist their businesses during the Durfee Grade Separation construction project. Mr. Christoffels stated that the vouchers are currently being printed in Spanish and that the business owners are still eligible to apply for the economic relief vouchers. He further stated for clarification purposes that the vouchers are provided directly to the business owners and not the land owners.

Mayor Pro Tem Elias asked staff for a status on the mobile home park meeting, stated that he will continue to support the repair on Rosemead Boulevard, and directed staff to

meet with the speaker of the Baybar property. Community and Economic Director Garcia stated that the City is working on scheduling the meeting with Westland Estates Mobile Home Park.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

City Council:

2. Minutes:

- Approved City Council meeting of February 25, 2020
- Received and filed Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of January 9, 2020

3. Approved 13th Warrant Register of the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year. (700)
Check Numbers: 284671-284727; 284728-284787
Special Check Numbers: None

4. Adopt Ordinance No. 1139 Amending the Municipal Code Chapter 1.10 Description of City Logo. (300)

1. Adopted Ordinance No. 1139 amending Chapter 1.10 (City Logo) description.

Ordinance No. 1139 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 1.10 TO TITLE 1 (GENERAL PROVISIONS) OF THE PICO RIVERA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO CITY LOGO **(SECOND READING AND ADOPTION)**

5. Pio Pico Park Improvements Project (CIP No. 21349) – Notice of Completion. (500)

1. Accepted the work completed for the Pio Pico Park Improvements Project (CIP No. 21349) constructed by FS Contractors, Inc. and authorized the City Clerk to file Notice of Completion with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder; and
2. Authorized the City Manager to release the retention payment and all other monies due to FS Contractors, Inc. following the mandatory waiting period from the date the Notice of Completion is recorded.

6. Annual Sidewalk Improvements Project (CIP No. 50001) – Award Construction. (500)

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

7. Award Senior Center Flooring Project No. S50022 Contract to Angeles Contractor, Incorporated. (500)

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

8. Pico Park Facility Improvements – Allocation of Funds, Award of Contract to Herk Edwards, Incorporated, and Filing of Notice of Exemption. (500)

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

9. Fiscal Year 2019-20 First Quarter Treasurer’s Report, September 30, 2019. (700)

Received and filed the Treasurer’s Report for the quarter ending September 30, 2019 which represents balances and activity for the first quarter (July-September) of the 2019-20 fiscal year.

10. Fiscal Year 2019-20 Second Quarter Treasurer’s Report, December 31, 2019. (700)

1. Received and filed the Treasurer’s Report for the quarter ending December 31, 2019 which represents balances and activity for the first quarter (October-December) of the 2019-20 fiscal year.

Housing Assistance Agency:

11. Minutes:

- Received and filed Housing Assistance Agency meeting of August 27, 2019

Motion by Councilmember Tercero, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Elias to approve Consent Calendar Items No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10 and 11. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Elias, Salcido, Sanchez, Tercero
NOES: None
ABSENT: Camacho

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION:

6. Annual Sidewalk Improvements Project (CIP No. 50001) – Award Construction. (500)

In reference to large bid amount discrepancies, Councilmember Tercero asked if there is any language for projects with a specific criteria that would lock the bidder’s price so that the amount would not increase after the contract has been awarded. Public Works Director Heredia responded in the affirmative to locking in the price, and stated that the City will be monitoring the contract to ensure that the estimate stays within the bid amount.

Motion by Councilmember Tercero, seconded by Councilmember Salcido to: 1) award a construction contract for a not-to-exceed amount of \$270,950.80 to Hardy and Harper, Inc. for the Annual Sidewalk Improvements Project, CIP No. 50001; and authorize the

City Manager to execute the contract in a form approved by the City Attorney; 2) Appropriate additional \$130,000 to CIP No. 50001 Account No. 207.70.7300.54500-50001 from Measure R funds (Fund 207); and 3) Approve the Total Project Cost. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Agreement No. 20-1935

AYES: Elias, Salcido, Sanchez, Tercero
NOES: None
ABSENT: Camacho

7. Award Senior Center Flooring Project No. S50022 Contract to Angeles Contractor, Incorporated. (500)

In regard to items 7 and 8, Councilmember Tercero asked if it is standard practice to utilize an approved National JPA list rather than going out to bid.

City Manager Carmona responded in the affirmative stating that the National JPA list is utilized often as RFP's are completed for a number of services and supplies and a list of contract vendors referred to as piggy-back able are created in a database providing unit prices and service cost collected from a nationwide effort to provide best pricing which minimizes staff cost and time. In regard to construction contracts, he stated that the City would need to go out to bid.

Motion by Councilmember Tercero, seconded by Councilmember Salcido to: 1) Award a Professional Service Agreement to Angeles Contractor, Incorporated to replace the Senior Center flooring for an amount not-to-exceed \$92,465 and execute an agreement in a form approved by the City Attorney; and 2) Approve the Notice of Exemption (NOE) for the subject project and authorize the City Clerk to file the NOE with the County Recorder, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Agreement No. 20-1936

AYES: Elias, Salcido, Sanchez, Tercero
NOES: None
ABSENT: Camacho

8. Pico Park Facility Improvements – Allocation of Funds, Award of Contract to Herk Edwards, Incorporated, and Filing of Notice of Exemption. (500)

Motion by Councilmember Tercero, seconded by Councilmember Salcido to: 1) Amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-20 Measure A budget by appropriating \$78,444 in funds to expenditure Account No. 215.80.8100-54520; 2) Amend the FY 2019-20 Miscellaneous Local Grants budget by appropriating \$38,539 in funds to the expenditure Account No. 697.80.8000-54500; 3) Award a Service Agreement to Herk Edwards, Incorporated to replace the Pico Park gymnasium bleachers project for an amount not-to-exceed \$91,022 and execute an agreement in a form approved by the City Attorney; and 4) Approve the

Notice of Exemption (NOE) for the subject project and authorize the City Clerk to file the NOE with the County Recorder, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Agreement No. 20-1937

AYES: Elias, Salcido, Sanchez, Tercero
NOES: None
ABSENT: Camacho

GOOD OF THE ORDER (INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY MEETINGS, AB 1234 REPORTS, NEW BUSINESS, OLD BUSINESS):

Councilmember Dr. Sanchez reported on services provided by SASSFA, her attendance at the opening day for the Pony Baseball league, and an Educators Workshop she attended at the Marine Corps in South Carolina. She also spoke of the success of the legal clinic in partnership with Ferias Legales and Rio Hondo College on March 6, 2020 at the Rio Hondo Education Center in Pico Rivera and spoke of the possibility of hosting quarterly clinics.

Councilmember Tercero inquired about measures being taken in regard to the coronavirus, for an update on the City's deficit, and asked to meet with Finance Director Carrasco regarding pertinent information he would like to see on the Treasurer's report. Pertaining to the coronavirus, City Manager Carmona stated that the City is currently looking to cancelling City events and will provide City Council with an action plan. He further stated that he is hopeful to be able to close the City's deficit and that budget reports will be provided at the next City Council meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Elias read a report from Congresswoman Linda Sanchez pertaining to the Whittier Narrows Dam project and asked staff to provide estimated job numbers on local hires. In regard to providing local jobs for this project, City Manager Carmona referred to the City's Workforce Agreement. Councilmember Tercero stated that Councils of Government (COG) would most likely advocate for the building trades.

Mayor Pro Tem Elias asked for an update on the Code of Ethics policy and for staff to provide the City Council with a copy of Rosenberg's Rules of Order. City Manager Carmona stated the Code of Ethics policy would be ready by early next week.

CLOSED SESSION(S): None

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Camacho adjourned the City Council meeting at 7:05 p.m. There being no objection it was so ordered.

AYES: Elias, Salcido, Sanchez, Tercero
ABSENT: Camacho

Gustavo V. Camacho, Mayor

ATTEST:

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 March 10, 2020 and approved by the City Council on March 24, 2020.

Anna M. Jerome, City Clerk