



Tuesday, April 28, 2020

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

Mayor Camacho called the special meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on behalf of the City Council.

PRESENT: Elias, Salcido, Sanchez, Tercero, Camacho

ABSENT: None

Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance are suspended due to certain provisions of the Brown Act being temporarily waived pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-25-20 and N-29-20.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

- Dial-A-Ride Program presentation
- Proclamation – Municipal Clerks Week May 3-9, 2020

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

John Kelly:

- Addressed the City Council regarding the TNT Fireworks protocols.

Daniel Garcilazo:

- Addressed the City Council regarding the use of the Smith Park digital sign and COVID-19.

Public comment received by Jose Sanchez.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Council:

1. Minutes:

- Approved City Council regular meeting of April 14, 2020

2. Approved 16th Warrant Register of the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year. (700)

Check Numbers: 285109-285147; 285148-285178; 285179-285183

Special Check Numbers: None

3. Award Summer Food Service Program Agreement for Vended Meals to Foodservice Outreach, Incorporated. (500)

Item was pulled from the Agenda to be brought back at a future date.

4. Request for Approval of the 2020 Fireworks Stands Permits. (700)

1. Approved the attached list of fireworks stand applications and authorized the issuance of permits to operate.

Councilmember Salcido asked if the Pico Rivera Dons fireworks stand could be relocated to the south end of the City with City Manager Carmona stating that staff will work on locating another location on the south end of the City that is feasible to both the organization and the City.

Motion by Councilmember Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Tercero to approve Consent Calendar Items No. 1, 2, and 4. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

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

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION: None.

REGULAR AGENDA:

City Council:

5. Fiscal Year 2019-20 Third Quarter Budget Update. (700)

Finance Director Carrasco gave a brief PowerPoint presentation on the third quarter sales tax update highlighting impacts, sales tax deferral, next steps, impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and the 2020-21 Fiscal Year Budget initial forecast. Discussion amongst City Council and staff included sales tax revenue, suspension of in-house youth sports programs and sports leagues, a Shop and Dine campaign, restaurants delivered program for qualified senior citizens, marketing local businesses, e-commerce, virtual subscriptions, and on-line sales tax.

City Manager Carmona stated that an Economic Development Recovery plan that includes a three prong approach: Response, Recovery and Thrive will be presented at the Economic Development Committee meeting and brought before City Council at a future date. After some discussion regarding the Economic Development meetings, Councilmembers Tercero and Salcido asked that the economic development discussions include all five members of the City Council due to the unique circumstances surrounding COVID-19 in an open Economic Development Study Session.

Motion by Councilmember Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Dr. Sanchez to: 1) Approve Resolution No. 7062 amending the 2019-20 Adopted Budget as outlined in Exhibit A; and 2) Authorize the suspension of the following Parks and Recreation Programs: Tiny Tots, Special Events, Aquatics, Camps, Adaptive Recreation, Business

and Family Engagement, Trips and Tours and Youth Sports until June 30, 2020. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 7062 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF UPDATING OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS TO MEET CURRENT NEEDS

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

PUBLIC UPDATE ON COVID-19:

Department Directors and Captain Marquez provided updates on COVID-19 which included the success of the Community Food Distribution event held at Smith Park. In regard to Mayor Pro Tem Elias' question pertaining to Wi-Fi connections, City Manager Carmona stated that in partnership with the El Rancho Unified School District, the City will be providing 100 Wi-Fi connections to assist students who do not have access to Wi-Fi and facilitate long distance learning due to COVID-19 school closures. The connection will be funded by the CARES Act CDBG grant and will be brought before City Council for approval at the next City Council meeting.

Councilmember Dr. Sanchez inquired about virtual activities for teens. Parks and Recreation Director Patterson stated that teen club virtual meetings and virtual activities will be beginning soon.

In regard to the Community Food Distribution event, Councilmember Salcido asked that staff look into creating a more comprehensive traffic mitigation plan or look for a more feasible venue such as the sports arena that would have less of an impact on residents.

Mayor Camacho asked if there is available space to accept and serve additional residents for the senior meal program and the "Let's Stay Connected" program with Director of Parks and Recreation Patterson responding in the affirmative.

City Council directed staff to look into a testing program in partnership with the US Health Fairs that would initially provide COVID-19 testing to 20 volunteers and would eventually be available for all City residents. City Council also thanked staff for an overall successful Community Food Distribution event held at Smith Park and for all their efforts during the current COVID-19 pandemic.

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

Councilmember Dr. Sanchez stated that she participated in a virtual 5K Challenge by the Shelter's Right Hand organization and announced the passing of Lawrence Govea, a member of the Go-Getters Softball team and longtime Pico Rivera resident.

Mayor Pro Tem Elias asked that the City begin memorializing essential services and stated that he received a resident concern on the slow progress of the construction on Rosemead Boulevard and Slauson Avenue.

Mayor Camacho reported on SEAACA's pet adoptions, asked staff to look into adding emergency services to the transportation services and opportunities to assist local veterans during the COVID-19 pandemic crisis.

CLOSED SESSION(S): None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Camacho adjourned the City Council meeting at 6:12 p.m. in memory of Maria Zamora, Reynaldo Miranda Chacon and Celedon Armenta. There being no objection it was so ordered.

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

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 April 28, 2020 and approved by the City Council on May 12, 2020.

Anna M. Jerome, City Clerk