



Tuesday, June 22, 2021

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

Mayor/Chairman/President Elias called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on behalf of the City Council, Successor Agency, and Water Authority.

PRESENT: Camacho, Lara, Lutz, Sanchez, Elias

ABSENT: None

INVOCATION: Delivered by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Sanchez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Councilmember Lara

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: None

City Manager Carmona moved Regular Agenda Item No. 21 Mini-Pitch Soccer System Project Approval, to the beginning of the meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA:

City Council:

21. Mini-Pitch Soccer System Project Approval. (500)

Parks and Recreation Director Yugar, U.S. Soccer Foundation representative Alex Bard and MLS Player Cristian Roldan gave a brief presentation and overview of the Mini Pitch System in Partnership with U.S. Soccer Foundation and Musco Lighting. The presentation included the Mini-Pitch history, partnership with U.S. Soccer, the projected budget costs, and potential locations.

City Council discussed the expenses over a 5-10 year span, the acrylic flooring costs, maintenance, additional future locations and the Soccer for Success program by the U.S. Soccer Foundation.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Sanchez, seconded by Councilmember Lutz to: 1) Authorize an execution of an agreement with Musco Lighting in partnership with the U.S. Soccer Foundation, in an amount not-to-exceed \$100,000 in a form approved by the City Attorney; 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute all other required documents necessary for the project completion; 3) Approve a General Fund budget transfer of \$220,000 going to Account (No. 100.80.8100-54500 Recreation and Parks – Contracted Services) from the following: 1) \$100,000 from the Law Enforcement Contract budgeted under Account (No. 100.15.1500-54500); 2) \$40,000 from Sewer

Maintenance Contracted Services Account (No. 100.40.4050-54500); and 3) \$80,000 from Storm Drain Contracted Services Account (No. 100.40.4050-54500); and 4) Approve the Total Project Budget. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Agreement No. 21-2007

AYES: Camacho, Lara, Lutz, Sanchez, Elias

NOES: None

PUBLIC HEARING:

City Council:

1. Public Hearing – Amend Fiscal Year 2021-22 Schedule of Fees. (700)

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

Mayor Elias closed the public hearing.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Sanchez, seconded by Councilmember Lara to approve Resolution No. 7139 amending the fiscal year 2021-22 schedule of fees. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 7139 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, UPDATING USER FEES AND CHARGES FOR ALL CITY DEPARTMENT SERVICES

AYES: Camacho, Lara, Lutz, Sanchez, Elias

NOES: None

Water Authority:

2. Public Hearing – Approve Water Rate Increases. (700)

President Elias opened the public hearing and noted that there was no written communications or public comment cards to provide public testimony.

Commissioner Camacho expressed his concern with increasing water rates during the current pandemic.

Water Authority Commissioners discussed the need for the increase in water rates and that the additional revenue generated would support the clean-up of PFAS and infrastructure.

President Elias closed the public hearing.

Motion by Vice President Dr. Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Lara to approve Resolution No. 21-30 for the revised water rates. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 21-30 A RESOLUTION OF THE PICO RIVERA WATER AUTHORITY ESTABLISHING A REVISED SCHEDULE OF WATER SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES

AYES: Lara, Lutz, Sanchez, Elias
NOES: Camacho

3. Public Hearing – 2020 Urban Water Management Plan. (1700)

President Elias opened the public hearing and noted that there was no written communications or public comment cards to provide public testimony.

President Elias closed the public hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Camacho, seconded by Vice President Dr. Sanchez to: 1) Approve Resolution No. 21-31 ratifying the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan in compliance with Senate Bill X7-7, the Water Conservation Act of 2009; and 2) Receive and file the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 21-31 A RESOLUTION OF THE PICO RIVERA WATER AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE WATER AUTHORITY'S 2020 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN TO COMPLY WITH SENATE BILL X7-7, THE WATER CONSERVATION ACT OF 2009

AYES: Camacho, Lara, Lutz, Sanchez, Elias
NOES: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Written communications were received by the following:

Jose Sanchez:

- Addressed the City Council regarding Rosemead Boulevard rehabilitation pavement agreement and expressed his opposition of keeping the Golf Course Operations open.

The following speakers addressed the City Council regarding the Pico Rivera Golf Course Operations in support of keeping the Golf Course open:

- Kristina Martinez
- Mon Gerard
- Rudy Ramirez
- Patti Corona
- Louis Rivas
- Gregory Santana
- Juan Castro

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

City Council:

4. Minutes:

- Approved City Council meeting of June 8, 2021 and special meeting of June 12, 2021

5. Approved 19th Warrant Register of the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year. (700)

Check Numbers: 287430-287455; 287456-287471; 287472-287515

Special Check Numbers: None

6. Second Reading – Adoption of Ordinance No. 1142 Amending Chapter 18.04, *Definitions* and Chapter 18.46, *Signs and Advertising* to Title 18, *Zoning*, of the Pico Rivera Municipal Code to Allow Digital Billboards in Two Specified Locations. (1300)

1. Approved Resolution No. 7140 ratifying Zone Code Amendment No. 188 amending Chapter 18.04, Definitions and Chapter 18.46, Signs and Advertising of Title 18, Zoning, of the Pico Rivera Municipal Code; and
2. Adopted Ordinance No. 1142 approving Zone Code Amendment No. 188 amending Chapter 18.04, Definitions and Chapter 18.46 Signs and Advertising of Title 18, Zoning, of the Pico Rivera Municipal Code.

Resolution No. 7140 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 18.46, ENTITLED “SIGNS AND ADVERTISING” ALLOWING DIGITAL BILLBOARDS IN SPECIFIED LOCATIONS WITHIN INDUSTRIAL ZONES DESIGNATED HEREIN AS ZONE CODE AMENDMENT NO. 188

Ordinance No. 1142 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 18.04 ENTITLED “DEFINITIONS” AND CHAPTER 18.46 ENTITLED “SIGNS AND ADVERTISING” OF THE PICO RIVERA MUNICIPAL CODE ALLOWING DIGITAL BILLBOARDS IN DESIGNATED AREAS ALONG THE 605 FREEWAY

7. Adopt the Community Development Block Grant Policies and Procedures Manual. (1600)

1. Approved Resolution No. 7141 ratifying the City’s Community Development Block Grant Policies and Procedures Manual.

Resolution No. 7141 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

8. Review and Approve Investment Policy for Fiscal Year 2021-22. (700)

1. Approved Resolution No. 7142 ratifying the Investment Policy for fiscal year 2021-22 that governs investments for the City of Pico Rivera and the Successor Agency.

Resolution No. 7142 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, AND THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE "INVESTMENT POLICY" FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22

9. Approve Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 19-1893 with Pacific Graphics, Inc. for Printing Services. (500)

1. Approved Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 19-1893 with Pacific Graphics, Incorporated in an amount not-to-exceed \$77,800 for printing services in fiscal year 2021-22.

Agreement No. 19-1893-2

10. Approve Amendment No. 4 to Agreement No. 18-1807 with S&S LaBarge Golf, Incorporated for Pico Rivera Golf Course Management Service. (500)

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

11. Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrades (CIP No. 21348), Federal Project No. HSIPL-5351 (037) – Award Construction. (500)

1. Awarded a construction contract in the amount of \$1,304,785 to California Professional Engineering, Inc. for the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrades Project (CIP No. 21348), Federal Project No. HSIPL-5351 (037) in a form approved by the City Attorney; and
2. Approved the Total Project Cost.

Agreement No. 21-2003

12. Contract Amendment for Tree Maintenance Services with West Coast Arborists, Inc. (500)

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

13. Authorize California Choice Energy Authority to Enter into a Long-Term Renewable Energy Agreement with Powerex Corporation on behalf of Pico Rivera Innovative Municipal Energy (PRIME). (500)

1. Authorized California Choice Energy Authority to enter into a long-term renewable energy agreement with Powerex Corporation on behalf of Pico Rivera Innovative Municipal Energy.

Agreement No. 21-2004

14. United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Professional Services. (500)

1. Approved a Professional Services Agreement with Avant-Garde, Inc. for a one-year term to provide U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant professional services in the amount of \$100,710.

Agreement No. 21-2005

15. Emergency Preparedness Service Agreement. (500)

1. Awarded a Professional Services Agreement to Jacob Green and Associates in the amount of \$40,000 for Emergency Preparedness Services.

Agreement No. 21-2006

16. Approved Amendment No. 3 to Professional Services Agreement No. 12-1287 for Required Financial Reporting Audit Services. (500)

1. Authorized the City Manager to approve Amendment No. 3 to the Professional Services Agreement No. 12-1287 with CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP (formerly White Nelson Diehl Evans, LLP) to provide auditing and related services for a three (3) year period (Fiscal Years 2021-22 through 2023-24).

Agreement No. 12-1287-3

Successor Agency:

17. Minutes:

- Approved Successor Agency regular meeting of April 13, 2021

18. Review and Approve Investment Policy for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. (700)

1. Approved Resolution No. SA-21-17 ratifying the Investment Policy for fiscal year 2021-22 that governs investments for the City of Pico Rivera and the Successor Agency.

Resolution No. SA-21-17 A RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE "INVESTMENT POLICY" FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22

Water Authority:

19. Minutes:

- Approved Water Authority regular meeting of June 8, 2021

20. 2020 Risk and Resiliency Assessment Report. (500)

1. Received and filed the 2020 Risk and Resiliency Assessment Report.

Motion by Councilmember/Director/Commissioner Camacho, seconded by Councilmember/Director/Commissioner Lara to approve Consent Calendar Items No. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Camacho, Lara, Lutz, Sanchez, Elias

NOES: None

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATION:

City Council:

10. Approve Amendment No. 4 to Agreement No. 18-1807 with S&S LaBarge Golf, Incorporated for Pico Rivera Golf Course Management Service. (500)

For clarification purposes, Councilmember Lutz stated that the Golf Course property is owned by the Army Corps of Engineers and would close due to the Whittier Narrows Dam project. He stated that he supports the month-to-month operation of the Golf Course until construction begins. Councilmember Lara added that the Fairway homeowners should be advised of the construction timelines and to engage the community with their concerns. Mayor Elias suggested that the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Economic Recovery Ad Hoc Committee review the concerns brought forth from the community.

City Manager Carmona added that the Army Corps of Engineers will provide updates to the City Council at the first meeting in July.

Motion by Councilmember Camacho, seconded by Councilmember Lutz to approve Amendment No. 4 to Agreement No. 18-1807 with S&S LaBarge Golf, Inc. for Pico Rivera Golf Course management services. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Agreement No. 18-1807-4

AYES: Camacho, Lara, Lutz, Sanchez, Elias
NOES: None

12. Contract Amendment for Tree Maintenance Services with West Coast Arborists, Inc. (500)

Councilmember Lara expressed his concern with the increase in yearly cost to the proposed 3-year term, the need for more time to review the contract and suggested an RFP process.

In regard to Councilmember Lara's request for sufficient review time of agreements, City Clerk Jerome provided an overview of the current contract process. After some discussion, Mayor Elias suggested Councilmember Lara meet with City Manager Carmona and City Clerk Jerome to further discuss his concerns.

Motion by Councilmember Lara, seconded by Councilmember Camacho to continue the item to the next City Council meeting. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CITY MANAGER/STAFF REPORTS:

Traffic Engineer Farhad Iranitalab from Willdan Engineering presented an overview on the Traffic Calming Program which included the purpose of the traffic calming program handbook, general plan roadway classification, the difference between the basic and comprehensive traffic calming, and traffic calming devices installation and maintenance costs.

City Council discussed implementation periods, traffic calming program process, staff recommendations, first phase outlook and a standard timeline of process. Mayor Elias suggested bringing this item before the Economic Recovery Ad-Hoc Committee. City Manager Carmona added that the City will be publishing a monthly Public Works department update to include before and after slides on social media.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Sanchez asked staff to look into Senate Bill 9 regarding elimination of single family zoning and joining the Gateway Cities Council of Governments in their opposition of the Bill. She also inquired about the Summer Food Service Program and the No Kid Hungry Grant. Parks and Recreation Director Yugar stated that the City received the No Kid Hungry grant in the amount of \$25,000 to be used to enhance the City's Summer Food Service Program.

Councilmember Camacho suggested looking into a citywide parking assessment.

Councilmember Lara moved to agendaize the Smith Park Swimming Pool repairs for further discussion at a future meeting, seconded by Councilmember Lutz. Councilmember Lara also moved to agendaize an item related to converting garages into utility rooms, seconded by Councilmember Camacho. Councilmember Lara requested an update on the current COVID-19 policy with Human Resources Director Hudson

stating that the City will be executing an updated policy per the new CDC guidelines beginning in July which will allow residents to attend future City Council meetings in person at a fifty percent capacity.

OLD BUSINESS:

Councilmember Lara requested staff look into a temporary fix for Rosemead Boulevard and asked if City staff has met with Central Basin Municipal Water District General Manager Alex Rojas regarding the recycled water on Rosemead Boulevard with Public Works Director Heredia responding in the affirmative. In regard to the Rosemead Boulevard temporary fix, City Manager Carmona stated that City Engineer's findings and recommendations will be brought back to City Council.

Councilmember Camacho requested an update on the Home Depot property with City Manager Carmona stating that currently Burlington Coat Factory has pulled a permit and Chase Bank will also be relocating to the vacant property.

Mayor Elias requested that the Economic Recovery Ad Hoc Committee work with City Manager Carmona to create a list of six City federal government priorities; and an update on the current state of health from the Health Ad-Hoc Committee at the next City Council meeting.

Mayor Elias asked for clarification on the elimination of vacant positions and the effect that would have on quality of services provided. City Manager Carmona stated that the elimination of vacant positions were a result of the Early Retirement Incentive Program and positions that have been previously vacant. He continued to state that after some discussion with City staff it was determined that the vacant positions were not essential and qualified to be eliminated with no effect to the quality of service provided by the City.

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

Mayor Elias reported on the joint meeting between the City and the El Rancho Unified School District held on June 17, 2021.

Councilmember Lutz reported on behalf of the Safety Ad Hoc Committee commenting on the difference of legal and illegal fireworks and encouraged the residents to report any illegal fireworks to the Sheriff's Department. He also proposed initiating the Ring Program and re-starting the Neighborhood Community Watch groups.

Recessed to Closed Session at 8:12 p.m.

ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

Reconvened at 8:34 p.m.

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CLOSED SESSION(S):

City Council:

a. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Designated Representatives: City Manager Steve Carmona

Employee organization:

Service Employees International Union Local 721 Directors Unit

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman reported that a briefing was provided to City Council; no final action was taken and that there was nothing further to report.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor/Chairman/President Elias adjourned the City Council meeting at 8:35 p.m. There being no objection it was so ordered.

AYES: Camacho, Lara, Lutz, Sanchez, Elias

NOES: None

Raul Elias, 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/Successor Agency/Water Authority regular meeting dated June 22, 2021 and approved by the City Council on July 13, 2021.

Anna M. Jerome, City Clerk