CITY OF LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2020 TELECONFERENCE, 3:30 PM

Mary Zendejas, 1st District Jeannine Pearce, 2nd District Suzie A. Price, 3rd District Daryl Supernaw, 4th District

Thomas B. Modica, City Manager Monique De La Garza, City Clerk



Dr. Robert Garcia, Mayor

Stacy Mungo, 5th District Dee Andrews, Vice Mayor, 6th District Roberto Uranga, 7th District Al Austin, 8th District Rex Richardson, 9th District

Charles Parkin, City Attorney

FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 ISSUED BY GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM

The City Council minutes are prepared and ordered to correspond to the City Council Agenda. Agenda Items can be taken out of order during the meeting. Please consult the time stamps to determine the order in which business was addressed.

The Agenda Items were considered in the following order: Consent Calendar, Agenda Item Nos. 2 - 5, 11, 9, 6, 10, 8, 7, Public Comment.

ROLL CALL (3:33 PM)

Councilmembers Zendejas, Pearce, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, **Present:** Austin and Richardson

Also present: Thomas Modica, City Manager; Linda Tatum, Assistant City Manager; Charles Parkin, City Attorney; Monique De La Garza, City Clerk; Pablo Rubio, Sr. City Clerk Analyst.

Mayor Garcia presiding.

Invocation: Moment of Silence.

Pledge of Allegiance: Al Austin, Councilman, Eighth District.

CONSENT CALENDAR (3:34 PM)

Passed the Consent Calendar.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Andrews, seconded by Councilwoman Mungo, to approve Consent Calendar Item 1. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Zendejas, Pearce, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin and Richardson

1. 20-0809

Recommendation to Confirm City Manager's promulgation of the revised Safer at Home Health Order, issued on August 13, 2020, and revised Required Protocols for Licensed Congregate Health Care Facilities Order issued on August 11, 2020, by the City of Long Beach Health Officer as a regulation. (Citywide)

A motion was made to approve recommendation on the Consent Calendar.

CONTINUED HEARINGS (3:35 PM)

2. 20-0782

Recommendation to receive supporting documentation into the record, conclude the public hearing, and find the project exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Article 12.5, Section 15194; and

Adopt ordinance approving a zoning change from Regional Highway Commercial (CHW) to Community R-4-N Commercial (CCN), for the properties addressed as 901-945 East Pacific Coast Highway (APN's 7210-013-026, 023, 900, and 901). (District 6)

Christopher Koontz, Deputy Director of Development Services, spoke.

Erika Villablanca spoke.

Myron Wollin spoke.

Karen Reside spoke.

Jordan Wynne spoke.

Vice Mayor Andrews spoke.

Councilmember Uranga spoke.

Councilwoman Price spoke.

Mayor Garcia spoke.

Councilwoman Zendejas spoke.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Andrews, seconded by Councilmember Uranga, to declare ordinance read the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Zendejas, Pearce, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin and Richardson

Enactment No: ORD-20-0032

3. 20-0784

Recommendation to continue the public hearing to vacate the portion of Elm Avenue, between Spring Street and the unnamed east-west public alley south of 31st Street, the unnamed east-west public alley between Elm Avenue and Pasadena Avenue, north of Spring Street and south of 31st Street, and the unnamed north-south public alley between Spring Street and 31st Street, east of Elm Avenue and west of Pasadena Avenue, to October 6, 2020. (District 7)

Eric Lopez, Director of Public Works, spoke.

A motion was made by Councilmember Uranga, seconded by Councilmember Zendejas, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Zendejas, Pearce, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin and Richardson

PUBLIC COMMENT (7:07 PM)

Caravan 4 Justice spoke regarding City concerns.

Tiffany Davy spoke regarding climate change.

Freedom Fighter X spoke regarding City politics.

Freedom Fighter C spoke regarding problems in Long Beach.

Leonardo Zamudio spoke regarding working conditions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (3:51 PM)

4. 20-0785

Recommendation to increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$500, offset by the First Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the Citywide Activities Department to provide a contribution to Centro Cha to help provide assistance to victims of violent crime; and

Decrease appropriation in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by \$500 to offset a transfer to City Manager Department.

A motion was made by Councilmember Zendejas, seconded by Vice Mayor Andrews, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Zendejas, Pearce, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin and Richardson

5. 20-0677

Recommendation to request that the Special Order issued on January 16, 2020 become a permanent policy change for the Long Beach Police Department.

Councilwoman Price spoke.

Councilman Austin spoke.

Councilmember Richardson spoke.

Councilwoman Price spoke.

Councilmember Pearce spoke.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Price, seconded by Councilman Austin, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Zendejas, Pearce, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin and Richardson

REGULAR AGENDA (4:23 PM)

6. 20-0786 Recommendation to receive and file a presentation from Clean Power Alliance on Community Choice Aggregation.

Councilmember Pearce spoke.

Ted Bardacke spoke.

Councilmember Pearce spoke.

Councilwoman Zendejas spoke.

Councilmember Richardson spoke.

Councilwoman Mungo spoke.

Gabrielle Weeks spoke.

A motion was made by Councilmember Pearce, seconded by Councilmember Zendejas, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Zendejas, Pearce, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin and Richardson

7. 20-0608 Recommendation to request City Council to endorse the CAAP to include a resilient jobs program; consider the CCA initiative; and include a construction career policy with the CAAP that ensures there are job standards for people who are impacted more with the air quality

8. 20-0682

in their area. Gabrielle Weeks spoke. Adeline Yoong spoke. Coby Skye spoke. Stella Ursua spoke. Marianne Buchanan spoke. Tiffany Davy spoke. A motion was made by Councilmember Pearce, seconded by Councilmember Richardson, to laid over. The motion carried by the following vote: **Yes:** 9 - Zendejas, Pearce, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin and Richardson Recommendation to request City Council to create a CCA or join the Clean Power Alliance, and file an implementation plan by the end of the year. Jim Stewart spoke. Gabrielle Weeks spoke. Clay Sandidge spoke. Francis Yang spoke. Coby Skye spoke. Kate Brown spoke. Mary Duong spoke. Patricia Chen spoke.

Councilmember Pearce spoke.

Councilmember Richardson spoke.

Councilwoman Mungo spoke.

Chris Garner, General Manager, Water Department, spoke.

Councilwoman Mungo spoke.

Mike Marelli spoke.

Councilwoman Price spoke.

Thomas Modica, City Manager, spoke.

Chris Garner, General Manager, Water Department, spoke.

Motion: Motion to prepare and send a letter of interest, along with a contract to receive additional information.

Moved by Councilmember Pearce, seconded by Councilmember Richardson.

Councilwoman Zendejas spoke.

Councilmember Richardson spoke.

Councilmember Uranga spoke.

Councilman Supernaw spoke.

Councilman Austin spoke.

Councilmember Pearce spoke.

Chris Garner, General Manager, Water Department, spoke.

Ted Bardacke spoke.

Councilmember Pearce spoke.

Councilwoman Mungo spoke.

Vice Mayor Andrews spoke.

Councilmember Pearce spoke.

A second substitute motion was made by Councilmember Zendejas, seconded by Councilmember Richardson, to prepare and send a letter of interest, with a 6 month check-in; shorten the time that staff will bring this back to Council from 2 years to 1 year; and for the CCA fee to be paid by Council District 2 divide by 9 funds. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Zendejas, Pearce, Uranga and Richardson

No: 5 - Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews and Austin

A substitute motion was made by Councilwoman Price, seconded by Councilwoman Mungo, to shorten the window of time that staff will bring this back to the Council from 2 years to 1 year. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Zendejas, Pearce, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin and Richardson

9. 20-0810

Recommendation to amend Employment Agreement No. 35514 with Thomas B. Modica, City Manager, to permit him to voluntarily participate in a work furlough program on the same terms and conditions as those applied to other City employees, through negotiation with represented employee associations for Fiscal Year 2021, for a total of 26 furlough days, beginning with the pay period of September 26, 2020. (Citywide)

Thomas Modica, City Manager, spoke.

Councilmember Uranga spoke.

Councilman Austin spoke.

Councilwoman Zendejas spoke.

Mayor Garcia spoke.

Thomas Modica, City Manager, spoke.

A motion was made by Councilmember Uranga, seconded by Councilman Austin, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Zendejas, Pearce, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin and Richardson

10. <u>20-0790</u>

Recommendation to Receive and file a report on the feasibility of a Long Beach Community Choice Aggregation (CCA);

Defer for two years any decision whether to participate in a CCA, or possibly sooner if new information becomes available solidifying benefits, to allow for increased stability in the California electricity market and reduce potential risk to residents and businesses;

Direct City Manager to perform community outreach regarding the CCA concept along with potential benefits and risks to customers, as well as to gain feedback on how supportive the community might be of a Long Beach CCA;

Direct City Manager to prepare a study that analyzes CCA governance options including forming a stand-alone City enterprise, creating a new Joint Powers Authority (JPA) with another interested public agency, or joining an existing JPA;

Direct City Manager to continue to monitor the energy market and related regulations and report to the City Council annually or sooner if substantial market changes occur; and

Direct City Manager to continue the City's partnership with Southern California Edison to raise awareness of existing programs that provide Long Beach residents and businesses with various options to purchase a greater mix of renewables and utilize energy more efficiently. (Citywide)

John Gross, Director of Financial Management, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Thomas Modica, City Manager, spoke.

Councilwoman Price spoke.

Mike Marelli spoke.

Councilmember Pearce spoke.

Elsa Tung spoke.

Marianne Buchanan spoke.

Ron Gastelum spoke.

Sona Coffee spoke.

Tiffany Davy spoke.

Clay Sandidge spoke.

Jim Stewart spoke.

Vice Mayor Andrews spoke.

Councilmember Pearce spoke.

Mark Fulmer spoke.

Thomas Modica, City Manager, spoke.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Price, seconded by Councilwoman Mungo, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Zendejas, Pearce, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin and Richardson

11. <u>20-0811</u>

Recommendation to adopt resolution approving Memoranda of Understanding with the Long Beach Lifeguards Association, Long Beach Management Association, Association of Confidential Employees, City Prosecutors Association, and City Attorneys Association. (Citywide)

Thomas Modica, City Manager, spoke.

Dana Anderson, Human Resources Manager, spoke.

Mayor Garcia spoke.

Councilmember Richardson spoke.

Councilmember Pearce spoke.

Councilwoman Mungo spoke.

A motion was made by Councilmember Richardson, seconded by Councilmember Pearce, to approve recommendation and adopt Resolution No. RES-20-0103. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Zendejas, Pearce, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin and Richardson

Enactment No: RES-20-0103

NEW BUSINESS:

- 12. Affidavit of Service for special meeting held Tuesday, August 25, 2020.
- **13.** <u>20-0906</u> eComments received for the City Council special meeting of Tuesday, August 25, 2020.

This Agenda Item was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT (7:21 PM)

At 7:21 PM, Mayor Garcia adjourned the meeting.

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