

# CITY of ESCONDIDO

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

# CLOSED SESSION 4:00 PM

#### CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call: C. Garcia, J. Garcia, Martinez, Morasco, White

#### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None

# **CLOSED SESSION**

I. <u>PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code § 54957(b)(1))</u>

Titles: City Manager and City Attorney

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 4:36 p.m.



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# **REGULAR SESSION**

5:00 PM Regular Session

# MOMENT OF REFLECTION

City Council agendas allow an opportunity for a moment of silence and reflection at the beginning of the evening meeting. The City does not participate in the selection of speakers for this portion of the agenda, and does not endorse or sanction any remarks made by individuals during this time. If you wish to be recognized during this portion of the agenda, please notify the City Clerk in advance.

# FLAG SALUTE

The City Council conducts the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of every City Council meeting.

# CALL TO ORDER

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# **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

None

# ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Stephen Wheeler – Requested to the City Council allow cannabis businesses in Escondido.

Malek Haddad – Expressed concern regarding Fire Inspection Fee increases.

Wally Gutierez – Expressed concern regarding water bills being overcharged due to a computer glitch.

Greg Swizz – Expressed concern regarding the CCAE RFP.

Samantha McLaughlin – Expressed concern regarding the CCAE RFP.

Amber Steinbeck – Expressed concern regarding the CCAE RFP.

Jake Estrada – Expressed concern regarding the CCAE RFP.

Marco Briones – Expressed concern regarding the CCAE RFP.



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Nathan Herrenstein – Expressed concern regarding the CCAE RFP.

Robert Morales – Expressed concern regarding the CCAE RFP.

Mary Peirucci – Expressed concern regarding the CCAE RFP.

Leah Leixodo – Expressed concern regarding the negative impacts the Grand Ave construction project on her business and requested a grant from the City to cover loss of revenue during the construction.

Robin Seon – Expressed concern regarding the negative impacts the Grand Ave construction project on her business and requested a grant from the City to cover loss of revenue during the construction.

Mike Dorall – Expressed concern regarding the homeless encampments in Escondido.

Angel Aguilar – Invited the City Council to the Esconddio Tamale Festival on November 2, 2024.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: White; Second: Morasco; Approved: 5-0

# 1. AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION, MAILING, AND POSTING (COUNCIL/RRB)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2024

# 3. <u>APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER (COUNCIL)</u>

Request approval for City Council and Housing Successor Agency warrant numbers:

- 387842 388016 dated October 02, 2024
- 388017 388201 dated October 09, 2024

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Finance Department: Christina Holmes, Director of Finance)

ESSENTIAL SERVICE – Internal requirement per Municipal Code Section 10-49

# 4. WAIVER OF READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

# 5. <u>CONTINUING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF THE ESCONDIDO TRUNK SEWER MAIN</u>

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2024-146, declaring that pursuant to the terms of Section 22050 of the California Public Contract Code, the City Council finds there is a need to continue the emergency repair of the Escondido Trunk Sewer Main.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Utilities: Angela Morrow, Director of Utilities)



Presenter: Stephanie Roman, Assistant Director of Utilities, Construction & Engineering

ESSENTIAL SERVICE – Yes, Keep City Clean for Public Health and Safety; Sewer

**COUNCIL PRIORITY** – Improve Public Safety

a) Resolution No. 2024-146

6. NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF EAST GRAND AVENUE

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2024-152, authorizing the Director of Utilities to file a Notice of Completion for the Emergency Repair of East Grand Avenue.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Utilities: Angela Morrow, Director of Utilities)

Presenter: Stephanie Roman, Assistant Director of Utilities, Construction & Engineering

**ESSENTIAL SERVICE** – Yes, Keep City Clean for Public Health and Safety; Sewer

COUNCIL PRIORITY – Improve Public Safety

a) Resolution No. 2024-152

# 7. <u>AUTHORIZATION OF A PUBLIC SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TRITON TECHNOLOGY FOR</u> <u>TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS</u>

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2024-134 authorizing the Mayor to execute a Public Services Agreement with Triton Technology Solutions Inc. in the amount of \$239,206.64, for technology upgrades to the City Council Chambers.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Communications: Teresa Collins, Assistant Director of Communications)

Presenter: Mike Thorne, Communications Manager

**ESSENTIAL SERVICE** – Yes, Internal Requirement

a) Resolution No. 2024-134

# PUBLIC HEARINGS

# 8. <u>SHORT-FORM RENT INCREASE APPLICATION FOR CAREFREE RANCH MOBILEHOME PARK (FILE</u> <u>NO. 0697-20-10341)</u>

Request the City Council Conduct Public Hearing and (1) Review and consider Carefree Ranch Mobilehome Park Short-Form Application (2) Adopt the Rent Review Board Resolution No. RRB 2024-140



Staff Recommendation: Approval (Development Services: Christopher McKinney, Deputy City Manager and Interim Director of Development Services)

Presenter: Carlos Cervantes, Management Analyst; Danielle Lopez, Housing and Neighborhood Services Manager; Stephen Jacobson, Code Compliance Officer II

# **ESSENTIAL SERVICE** – No

a) Resolution No. RRB 2024-140

Jim Younce – Expressed support for this item.

Dale Anderson – Expressed opposition to this item.

Motion: White; Second: Morasco; Approved: 5-0

#### 9. TEFRA HEARING FOR QUINCE STREET SENIOR APARTMENTS

Request the City Council hold a public hearing pursuant to the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act ("TEFRA") to adopt Resolution No. 2024-144 and approve the issuance of revenue bonds by the California Municipal Finance Authority ("CMFA") to finance or refinance the acquisition, construction, improvement and equipping of a senior multifamily rental housing project located at 220 North Quince Street, in the City of Escondido, California, to be commonly known as Quince Street Seniors.

It is also requested that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2024-145 approving the assumption of an existing Regulatory Agreement by San Diego Interfaith Housing Foundation.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Community Development: Chris McKinney, Deputy City Manager and Interim Director of Development Services)

Presenter: Danielle Lopez, Housing and Neighborhood Services Manager and Norma Olquin, Management Analyst

**ESSENTIAL SERVICE** – Yes, Land Use/Development

**COUNCIL PRIORITY –** Encourage Housing Development

a) Resolution No. 2024-144

b) Resolution No. 2024-145

Motion: White; Second: C. Garcia; Approved: 5-0



# 10. ABANDONED COMMERCIAL BUILDING VACANCY ORDINANCE

Request the City Council adopt (1) Ordinance No. 2024-13, establishing Chapter 6 (Building and Building Regulations), Article 21 (Abandoned Commercial Property Requirements), within the City of Escondido's Municipal Code, and (2) Resolution No. 2024-153 establishing new fees for the Abandoned Commercial Property Ordinance.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Economic Development: Jennifer Schoeneck, Economic Development Director)

Presenter: Jennifer Schoeneck, Economic Development Director

ESSENTIAL SERVICE – Yes, Keep City Clean for Public Health and Safety; Land Use/Development

**COUNCIL PRIORITY** – Improve Public Safety; Increase Retention and Attraction of People and Businesses to Escondido

a) Resolution No. 2024-153

b) Ordinance No. 2024-13

Motion: White; Second: C. Garcia; Approved: 5-0

#### **CURRENT BUSINESS**

11. <u>PROPOSED FEE INCREASE FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE AMBULANCE</u> <u>TRANSPORTATION</u>

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2024-158 authorizing a fee increase for Emergency Medical Services ("EMS") ambulance transportation for Advanced Life Support ("ALS") and Basic Life Support ("BLS") provided to align with rising operational costs and ensure continued high-quality EMS for our community.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Fire: Fire Chief John Tenger)

Presenters: Fire Chief John Tenger, Division Chief Tyler Batson

**ESSENTIAL SERVICE** – Yes, internal requirement in support of Fire/EMS Services

COUNCIL PRIORITY – Improve Public Safety

a) Resolution No. 2024-158

Motion to approve option 1: Morasco; Second: White; Approved: 4-1 (Martinez - No)



12. <u>DESIGNATION OF VOTING DELEGATE – NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE</u> Request the City Council designate a Voting Delegate (and up to two alternates) for the National League of Cities Annual Conference in Tampa Bay, Florida, on November 13-16, 2024.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (City Clerk's Office: Zack Beck, City Clerk)

Presenter: Zack Beck, City Clerk

#### **ESSENTIAL SERVICE** – No

Motion to appoint Councilmember Garcia as the voting delegate and Councilmember Martinez as alternate: White; Second: Morasco; Approved: 5-0

#### 13. SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPOINTMENT

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2024-156, appointing a representative to the San Diego County Water Authority Board of Directors.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (City Clerk's Office: Zack Beck, City Clerk)

Presenter: Zack Beck, City Clerk

#### **ESSENTIAL SERVICE** – No

a) Resolution No. 2024-156

Motion to appoint Rick Paul to the SDCWA Board of Directors: White; Second: C. Garcia; Approved: 5-0

#### **FUTURE AGENDA**

# 14. FUTURE AGENDA

The purpose of this item is to identify issues presently known to staff or which members of the City Council wish to place on an upcoming City Council agenda. Council comment on these future agenda items is limited by California Government Code Section 54954.2 to clarifying questions, brief announcements, or requests for factual information in connection with an item when it is discussed.

Staff Recommendation: None (City Clerk's Office: Zack Beck)

White/J. Garcia – Current Sign Ordinance

# COUNCILMEMBERS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS



# CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT

The most current information from the City Manager regarding Economic Development, Capital Improvement Projects, Public Safety, and Community Development. This report is also available on the City's website, *www.escondido.gov*.

#### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None

# ADJOURNMENT

Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

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Dane White

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Zack Beck
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