

City of Corona

400 S. Vicentia Ave.
Corona, CA 92882



Minutes - Final

Wednesday, November 1, 2017

4:30 PM

**Closed Session Council Board Room
Open Session Council Chambers**

City Council

**CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE
CITY OF
CORONA/CORONA PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY/CORONA UTILITY
AUTHORITY/CORONA
HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING**

***Dick Haley, Mayor
Karen Spiegel, Vice Mayor
Randy Fox, Council Member
Eugene Montanez, Council Member
Jason Scott, Council Member***

4:30 P.M. CONVENE CLOSED SESSION**CITY COUNCIL**

- A. [17-1247](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Name of Case: Edward Hurtado v. City of Corona
Case Number: WCAB Case Number(s) ADJ10004880; ADJ10554271; ADJ10738660; ADJ10004848
- B. [17-1264](#) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Name of Agency Negotiator: Darrell Talbert, City Manager
Unrepresented Employee Group: Management/Confidential Group Employees
- C. [17-1265](#) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Name of Agency Negotiator: Darrell Talbert, City Manager
Unrepresented Employee Group: Executive Group Employees
- D. [17-1266](#) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Name of Agency Negotiator: Darrell Talbert, City Manager
Name of Employee Organization: Corona Supervisors Association
- E. [17-1267](#) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Name of Agency Negotiator: Darrell Talbert, City Manager
Name of Employee Organization: Corona General Employees Association
- F. [17-1268](#) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Name of Agency Negotiator: Darrell Talbert, City Manager
Name of Employee Organization: Corona Police Employees Association
- G. [17-1269](#) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Name of Agency Negotiator: Darrell Talbert, City Manager
Name of Employee Organization: Corona Police Supervisors Association
- H. [17-1270](#) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Name of Agency Negotiator: Darrell Talbert, City Manager
Name of Employee Organization: Corona Fire Association

Rollcall

Present: 5 - Randy Fox, Dick Haley, Eugene Montanez, Jason Scott, and Karen Spiegel

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Ron King.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Girl Scout Troop 2057

6:30 P.M. CONVENE OPEN SESSION

Mayor Haley called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1. PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

- A. [17-1245](#) Recognition: Corporal Richard Bartlett on behalf of his retiring Police Dog K-9 Partner, "Kiki"

Mayor Haley provided Corporal Bartlett a recognition honoring his K-9 partner Kiki. The City Council presented a recognition to retiring Chief of Police Mike Abel for his years of dedicated service.

- B. [17-1240](#) Introduction: Mayor's Youth Council

The Mayor's Youth Council was introduced.

- C. [17-1238](#) Presentation: Assembly Member Sabrina Cervantes Legislative Update

Assembly Member Sabrina Cervantes provided a legislative update and commended Kimberly Davidson, Economic Development Manager for working together to bring local business concerns to the forefront.

- D. [17-1241](#) Presentation: Public Works Department Traffic Update

Nelson Nelson, Public Works Director, provided an update on the current traffic issues within the City of Corona.

Sol Shapiro addressed the Council regarding traffic in the Green River area.

Sharon Carriedo addressed the Council regarding car pool lanes versus paid toll lanes and stated bridge construction is going to impact traffic in the Eagle Glen area. She requested signage to notify the drivers who might not live in the area.

Matt Olson addressed the Council to ask for clarification from the presentation and also requested the creation of a Task Force similar to the prior 91 task force.

Joe Morgan addressed the Council to state the school district was not a partner in this project and was not aware of any of the closures.

Stan Hill addressed the Council regarding traffic in the area of the Mountain View Civic Association, noting in addition to the areas listed in the

presentation as congested areas it is also congested on other streets such as Frontage Road and Paseo Grande which creates a safety hazard. He stated wider roads are not always the answer, the growth of the community needs to be analyzed in the way of a moratorium on new projects.

Don Fuller addressed the Council regarding the traffic, stating the 91 improvements project did not improve traffic at all.

E. [17-1274](#)

Presentation: Department of Water and Power - SCE Power Outages Update

Tom Moody, Department of Water and Power General Manager, provided an update on recent power outages in the Dos Lagos area.

Christopher Abel, Principle Manager of External Affairs from Southern California Edison addressed the Council to discuss its commitment to working with Department of Water and Power to solve outage issues.

Mike Lewis, District Manager of SCE, addressed the Council to discuss why some areas of Corona experience outages more than others.

Brian Watkins, Engineering Manager from SCE, addressed the Council to discuss the plan to automate the problematic circuit.

Don Fuller addressed the Council regarding the outages.

Matt Olsen addressed the Council to inquire why the City is in the utility business; what is the benefit to residents.

Sharon Carriedo addressed the Council to state as a resident of Eagle Glen she does not experience many outages, yet Dos Lagos and The Crossings experience many outages and they are a newer area. She inquired what line the new development is going to be on and suggested being proactive with new development.

Michelle Wentworth addressed the Council to inquire about redundancy in the system.

Tom Richens addressed the Council to discuss the impacts of accepting contributions from developers on power outages.

Joe Morgan addressed the Council to ask what it takes to spring into action as the City is heading towards crisis.

Josh Goddard addressed the Council to state this issue is compounded by capitalism, we must battle private industry to provide public utilities.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Dale Pluong addressed traffic issues in his area, stating the 91 freeway project has not improved traffic in the area. He discussed ongoing issues with Oxbow's intention to develop the Mountain View Golf Course area.

Joe Morgan addressed the Council to state recent Council action delegated authority of cell phone tower approvals to the City Manager which was a misrepresentation of the types of Cell Towers that would be approved moving forward.

Council Member Randy Fox expressed his disappointment with the speakers insulting comments.

Matt Olsen addressed the Council regarding the traffic at the Green River Promenade.

Tom Richens addressed the Council to state if its not good for the citizens its not good for the City.

Josh Wagner, City employee, addressed the Council to discuss the salary reported on Transparent California differs from his actual paychecks.

Matt Woody addressed the Council to introduce himself as a candidate for Congress.

Josh Goddard addressed the Council regarding the lack of substantive information provided in the monthly Economic Development report. He suggested a moratorium on new projects.

Michelle Wentworth addressed the Council regarding the traffic around Green River, asking if traffic studies will now be done to see if the project was successful.

Don Fuller addressed the Council in support of Assemblymember Cervantes and Michelle Wentworth. He discussed the pastor who offered a Christian prayer and then left.

MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Montanez, seconded by Fox, that this be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Fox, Haley, Montanez, Scott, and Spiegel

3. [17-1242](#) Approval of Minutes for the City Council, Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Corona, Corona Public Financing

Authority, Corona Utility Authority, Corona Housing Authority Meeting of October 18, 2017.

This Minutes was adopted.

CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Montanez, seconded by Scott, that this be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Fox, Haley, Montanez, Scott, and Spiegel

4. [17-1230](#) City Council consideration to approve a Professional Services Agreement with SCST, Inc. to provide Geotechnical, Materials Testing, and Source Inspection Services in the amount of \$525,411; appropriate \$525,411 from the Public Works Transportation Grants/Agreement Fund to the Cajalco/I-15 Interchange Improvement Project; authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Professional Services Agreement with SCST, Inc. in the amount of \$525,411; and authorize the Purchasing Manager to issue a purchase order to SCST, Inc. in the amount of \$525,411, thereby awarding the Request for Proposals.

This Agreement was approved.

5. [17-1231](#) City Council consideration to release the Temporary Reclaimed Water Improvements Security for Tentative Tract Map 36541 - Ryland Homes of California Inc., a Delaware Corporation.

This Release of Security was approved.

6. [17-1232](#) City Council consideration to release the Grading Securities associated with Tract Map 36427 - Harrington Village LLC, a California Limited Liability Company.

This Release of Security was approved.

7. [17-1228](#) City Council and Corona Utility Authority consideration of Resolution 2017-108 approving the submittal of an application for the 2017 Sustainable Groundwater Planning Grant Program on behalf of the Temescal Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency to the California Department of Water Resources.

This Resolutions was adopted.

8. [17-1233](#) City Council consideration to adopt Resolution No. 2017-109, authorizing submittal of application for all CalRecycle grants for which the City of Corona is eligible.

This Resolutions was adopted.

9. [17-1258](#) City Council consideration of Resolution No. 2017-111, terminating as of October 25, 2017 the Local Emergency within the City of Corona relating to a wildfire resulting in loss of property.

This Resolutions was adopted.

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS - 6:30 P.M.

None

11. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

None

12. REPORTS FROM CITY COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, AND BOARDS

CITY COUNCIL WRITTEN COMMITTEE REPORTS

13. [17-1243](#) City Council consideration to receive minutes of the October 11, 2017 meeting of the Public Services Committee report by Karen Spiegel and Randy Fox.

This City Council Written Committee Reports was received and filed.

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER ORAL/WRITTEN REPORTS AND COMMENTS REGARDING REGIONAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

14. [17-1271](#) Council Member Randy Fox update on the Corona Chamber of Commerce Washington DC Summit on October 22-25, 2017.
- Council Member Fox provided comments on the Corona Chamber of Commerce Washington DC Summit.
- Don Fuller addressed the Council regarding the Washington DC summit, asking who paid for the travel for the employees from Corona as the taxpayers should not be paying for a chamber event.
15. [17-1263](#) Council Member Eugene Montanez update on the California Association Local Agency Formation Commissions (CALAFCO) 2017 Annual Conference on October 25-27, 2017.

Council Member Montanez provided comments on his attendance at the CALAFCO Annual Conference in San Diego.

16. [17-1244](#)

Vice Mayor Karen Spiegel update on the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) Western Riverside County Programs and Projects Committee meeting on October 23, 2017.

Vice Mayor Karen Spiegel discussed her attendance at the Riverside County Transportation Commission Programs and Projects Committee.

17. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

None

18. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

No reportable actions.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

City Manager Talbert introduced a technology update from CIO Chris McMasters.

19. [17-1272](#)

Technology Update.

Mr. McMasters, Information Technology Director, presented a Shopping Cart app and a Military Banner location map.

Joe Morgan addressed the Council regarding the City Manager's comments, stating the purpose of the recall is to get rid of the City Manager.

Mr. Talbert provided a response to Mr. Morgan's comments and discussed maintaining professional decorum within the Council Chambers.

20. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

A. Council Member Randy Fox

Council Member Fox stated the Council needs to discuss a decorum policy. He thanked Mr. Nelson and Mr. Moody for their presentations.

B. Council Member Eugene Montanez

Council Member Montanez stated how much the retiring Police Chief Mike Abel will be missed and congratulated the new interim Chief James Patton. He thanked SCE employees who attended the meeting who seemed well-equipped to answer questions and helpful.

C. Council Member Jason Scott

Council Member Scott discussed the salary of Corona's City Manager compared to other full-service cities. He stated the City is having financial difficulties, and without a sales tax increase will have to reduce services and employees need to be prepared. He discussed what may happen if the current City Manager were to leave. Council Member Scott expressed his appreciation to the Friends of the Library for providing the Author's luncheon to the community.

D. Vice Mayor Karen Spiegel

Vice Mayor Spiegel discussed decorum, stating she would like to review the current Ordinance so everyone can work together in a more positive way. She discussed the difficulties of employee negotiations. Vice Mayor Spiegel announced the following upcoming community events: November 8th, Holocaust survivor at the Library commemorating Krsitallnacht; CATs A Christmas Story play; Veteran's Day Remembrance and commemoration at VFW Joe DOminguez Post; Recreation Fitness Expo on November 18, Corona Beautiful on November 18, Holiday Lighting on December 3.

E. Mayor Dick Haley

Mayor Haley thanked Mr. Wagner for bringing salary information to the Council. He stated his son just came back from his fifth combat tour and wished the Marine Corps a happy birthday.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Haley adjourned the meeting at 10:14 p.m.