

City of Corona

*400 S. Vicentia Ave.
Corona, CA 92882*

City Council Minutes - Final

Wednesday, September 15, 2021

**Closed Session Council Board Room 4:30 PM
Open Session Council Chambers 6:30 PM**



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

**Jacque Casillas, Mayor
Wes Speake, Vice Mayor
Tony Daddario, Council Member
Tom Richins, Council Member
Jim Steiner, Council Member**

CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session convened at 4:30 p.m. for the purposes listed below. Present were Mayor Casillas, Vice Mayor Speake, Council Member Daddario, Council Member Richins, and Council Member Steiner. Closed Session adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Designated Representative: Jacob Ellis, City Manager
Employee Organizations: Corona General Employees Association, Corona Fire Association, Corona Police Employees Association, Corona Police Supervisors Association and Corona Supervisors Association
2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Designated Representative: Jacob Ellis, City Manager
Unrepresented Employee Group: Management/Confidential Group Employees
3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Designated Representative: Jacob Ellis, City Manager
Unrepresented Employee Group: Executive Group Employees

Rollcall

Present: 5 - Jacque Casillas, Wes Speake, Tony Daddario, Tom Richins, and Jim Steiner

INVOCATION - Pastor Shannon Scott, Grace Baptist Church

The Invocation was led by Pastor Shannon Scott.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Casillas.

CONVENE OPEN SESSION

Mayor Casillas called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

4. Introduction: 2021- 2022 Mayor's Youth Council
Mayor Casillas introduced the 2021 - 2022 Mayor's Youth Council.

5. Proclamation: Constitution Week
Diane Stephens, Organizing Regent, Butterfield Trail Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, accepted the Proclamation.
6. Proclamation: Hispanic Heritage Month
Monica Robles, Founder of Asociacion de Emprendedor@s, accepted the Proclamation.
7. Presentation: Covid-19 Update
Battalion Chief Willson provided an update.

Joe Morgan, resident, addressed the Council to express concerns with the Covid-19 update.

MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Council Member Steiner, seconded by Vice Mayor Speake, that these Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

8. 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 City Council Meeting of September 1, 2021.

These Minutes were approved.

CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Council Member Richins, seconded by Vice Mayor Speake, that the Consent Calendar be approved, with the exception of Items 12, 14, 16 and 17, which were voted on separately. The motion carried by the following vote:

9. City Council, Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Corona, Corona Public Financing Authority, Corona Utility Authority, and Corona Housing Authority to receive and file the Monthly Investment Portfolio Report for the month of July 2021.

This Financial Report was received and filed.

10. City Council, Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Corona, Corona Public Financing Authority, Corona Utility Authority, and Corona Housing Authority to receive and file the Monthly Fiscal Report for the month of July 2021.

This Financial Report was received and filed.

11. Fifth Amendment to City of Corona Historic Civic Center lease agreement between the City of Corona and Inspire Life Skills Training, Inc.

This Agreement was approved.

12. Consent to Assignment and First Amendment to the Lease Agreement between the

City of Corona and Corona Air Ventures, LLC for Parcel I at the Corona Municipal Airport.

Council Member Daddario proposed that this item be presented at the Council meeting of October 6, 2021.

Symon, Attema, owner, addressed the Council to provide further detail regarding the proposed item.

Representative from Corona Air Ventures, LLC, addressed Council to express her concerns with continuing the proposed item.

The Council had inquiries and Jacob Ellis, City Manager, provided clarification.

A motion was made by Council Member Daddario, seconded by Council Member Steiner, that this Agreement be tabled to the October 6, 2021 City Council Meeting.

Aye: 3 - Speake, Daddario, and Steiner

Abstain: 2 - Casillas, and Richins

- 13.** Award of Contract to Sancon Technologies, Inc. for the Sierra Del Oro Lift Station Coating Project.

This Bid & Purchase was approved.

- 14.** Award of contract to S&H Civilworks for the Oak Avenue Street and Sidewalk Improvements from Bridgeport Road to Millbrook Road, Project No. 2019-04.

Council Member Steiner provided comments thanking the citizens, Council and staff for their work on getting this project awarded. Vice Mayor Speake also thanked staff for their work on the request for proposal.

A motion was made by Council Member Steiner, seconded by Council Member Richins, that this Bid & Purchase be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Casillas, Speake, Daddario, Richins, and Steiner

- 15.** Creation of a new Capital Improvement Project titled Water Reclamation Facility No. 1 Tertiary Screen Replacement and issuance of a Purchase Order to The Coombs-Hopkins Company to purchase parts and equipment for the Project.

This Bid & Purchase was approved.

- 16.** Award of Contract to Applied Technologies Group, Inc. for As-Needed Wireless Network and Microwave System Maintenance, Support, and Implementation.

The Council had inquiries and Tom Moody, General Manager, and Jacob Ellis, City Manager, provided clarification.

The Council took a break at 7:23 p.m. and returned at 7:45 p.m.

Joe Morgan, resident, addressed the Council to express his concerns regarding the proposed item.

A motion was made by Council Member Steiner, seconded by Council Member Richins, that this Bid & Purchase be approved.

Aye: 4 - Casillas, Daddario, Richins, and Steiner

Nay: 1 - Speake

- 17.** Public Improvement Agreements associated with 3.90 acres located at the southwest corner of Magnolia Avenue and Downs Way (APN 107-080-050).

Council Member Richins had inquiries and Joanne Coletta, Community Development Director, provided clarification.

A motion was made by Council Member Richins, seconded by Vice Mayor Speake, that this Agreement be approved.

Aye: 5 - Casillas, Speake, Daddario, Richins, and Steiner

- 18.** Acceptance of the public improvements constructed for Parcel Map 37746, located on the north side of Third Street and east of Grand Boulevard, and release of the securities posted by PSIP EBS Third Street, LLC for the grading, public improvements, and survey monumentation associated with the project.

This Release of Security was approved.

- 19.** Adoption of Trails Master Plan - Phase I.

Sylvia Edwards, City Clerk, stated there was one written comment and it will be filed with the Minutes.

This Report was approved.

- 20.** Personnel Report providing employee updates and details on various recruitment transactions.

This Report was received and filed.

- 21.** Resolution declaring the City's intention to annex territory to Community Facilities District No. 2016-3 (Maintenance Services) and adopting a map of the area proposed to be annexed thereto (Annexation No. 28).

This Resolution was adopted.

- 22.** Resolution certifying the results of an election and adding territory to Community Facilities District No. 2016-1 (Public Services) of the City of Corona (Annexation No. 20).

This Resolution was adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Steve Bizal, resident, addressed the Council to announce he was available to answer any questions from the Council regarding the historic resource landmark project.

Chris Binar, resident, addressed the Council regarding his concerns with the Police Department.

Joe Morgan, resident, addressed the Council to request that the agendas be published earlier and concerns with the LuLaRoe agreement.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 23.** Historic Resource Landmark 2021-0001 (HRLM 2021-0001) to nominate a home, built in 1928 and located at 1205 Palm Avenue, as an Historic Landmark on the Corona Register of Historic Resources.

Mayor Casillas opened the Public Hearing. Sylvia Edwards, City Clerk, stated that there was no correspondence received regarding the Public Hearing. Mayor Casillas closed the Public Hearing.

Council Member Richins commended Kathleen Deever on her work with the Corona Historic Preservation Society. He also provided comments regarding the proposed item.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Speake, seconded by Council Member Richins, that the Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Casillas, Speake, Daddario, Richins, and Steiner

- 24.** Public Hearing and Election for Annexation Proceedings for Annexation No. 29 into Community Facilities District No. 2016-3 (Maintenance Services).

Mayor Casillas opened the Public Hearing. Sylvia Edwards, City Clerk, confirmed she had proof of publication and mailing of the notice of the Public Hearing. She confirmed that she had not received any written protests. Ms. Edwards stated there are no registered voters within the area to be annexed to the CFD, and the owners of all property proposed to be annexed to the CFD agreed to hold a special election on September 15, 2021. Ms. Edwards also agreed to hold a special election on September 15, 2021. Mayor Casillas closed the Public Hearing. Ms. Edwards confirmed she received one ballot and all votes cast are in favor of levying the special taxes.

A motion was made by Council Member Steiner, seconded by Vice Mayor Speake, that Resolution No. 2021-108 be adopted. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Speake, seconded by Council Member Steiner, that Resolution No. 2021-109 be adopted. The motions carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Casillas, Speake, Daddario, Richins, and Steiner

- 25.** Public Hearing to receive comments and file the 2020-2021 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report for the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Mayor Casillas opened the Public Hearing. Sylvia Edwards, City Clerk, stated there was no correspondence received regarding the Public Hearing. Mayor Casillas closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Council Member Daddario, seconded by Council Member Richins, that this Report be received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote:

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 26.** Request from City Council Member Steiner to receive a report on the commercial property located at the northeast corner of Main Street and Parkridge Avenue.

Joanne Coletta, Planning and Development Director, provided a report.

The Council had inquiries and Dean Derleth, City Attorney, Jacob Ellis, City Manager, Jessica Gonzales, Economic Development Director, and Ms. Coletta provided clarification.

Mr. Ellis suggested adding the Housing Authority as a future agenda item and Mayor Casillas agreed.

Joe Morgan, resident, addressed the Council to express his concern with the proposed item.

This Administrative Report was received and filed.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

- 27.** Ordinance adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program and approving an amendment to the El Cerrito Specific Plan (SP91-02) to allow cold storage warehouse in Planning Areas 1 and 2 of the Light Industrial Zone. (SPA2021-0001)

Council Member Richins provided comments in support of this item.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Speake, seconded by Council Member Richins, that this Ordinance be approved.

Aye: 5 - Casillas, Speake, Daddario, Richins, and Steiner

- 28.** Ordinance amending Corona Municipal Code Chapters 2.35 and 2.48 clarifying provisions relating to the Corona Public Library and term limits for officials appointed to certain City boards and commissions.

Anne Turner, Community Services Director, introduced the item and provided a report. The Council had inquiries and Ms. Turner, Abigail Lenning, Community Services Assistant Director, Jacob Ellis, City Manager, and Dean Derleth, City Attorney, provided clarification. The Council discussed the proposed item.

The Council directed staff to change the following to section 2.35.010:

(A) Four-Year Terms. Subject to the terms of this chapter, persons appointed to the following boards and commissions shall serve no more than three successive terms on the same board or commission (12 consecutive years maximum): (1) park and recreation commission; (2) planning commission; (3) housing commission; and (4) any other standing board, commission or committee formally created by the City Council and expressly made subject to this chapter.

(B) Three-Year Terms. Subject to the terms of this chapter, persons appointed to the library board of trustees shall serve no more than four successive terms on the same board (12 consecutive years maximum).

A motion was made by Mayor Casillas, seconded by Daddario, that this Ordinance be approved with the revisions directed by Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Casillas, Speake, Daddario, Richins, and Steiner

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS – REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL, COMMISSIONERS, AND STAFF FOR THE:

A) Planning & Housing Commission

None.

B) Parks & Recreation Commission

- 29.** Receive and file Parks and Recreation Commission updates at the September 14, 2021 meeting:
- a. COVID update
 - b. City Council Fall Workshop
 - c. Community Clean-up Schedule
 - d. Graffiti Abatement update
 - e. Homeless Mitigation
 - f. Park Ranger Program update
 - g. Library Updates
 - h. Library Trustees Goals & Objectives
 - i. Community Services FY 20/21 Accomplishment Report

This Parks & Recreation Commission Report was received and filed.

C) Regional Meetings

- 30.** Update from Vice Mayor Wes Speake on the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Community, Economic and Human Development Committee Meeting of September 2, 2021.

Vice Mayor Speake provided an update.

- 31.** Update from Vice Mayor Wes Speake on the Riverside County Transportation

Commission (RCTC) Meeting of September 15, 2021.

Vice Mayor Speake provided an update.

- 32.** Update from Mayor Jacque Casillas on the Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) Meeting of September 13, 2021.

Mayor Casillas provided an update.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Jacob Ellis, City Manager, provided a brief overview on Coffee with an Entrepreneur Marta Cortez. He also announced Grow with Google Business Marketing Series on September 20, 2021 and Corona Chamber of Commerce Government Contracting Seminar on September 21, 2021.

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Council Member Richins provided a brief overview on the September 11th ceremony and Compete with a Cop. He also announced Corona Norco Unified School District community conversation night about the dangers of fentanyl on September 16, 2021.

Council Member Daddario provided a brief overview on the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority meeting and the Corona Chamber's of Commerce's Good Morning Corona. He acknowledged the Chamber for having a table in honor of the 13 fallen Marines. He also announced that the procession for Marine Lance Cpl. Kareem Nikoui is on September 17, 2021.

Vice Mayor Speake provided an overview of the following: Corona Chamber's of Commerce's Good Morning Corona, The Camp Transformation Center ribbon cutting ceremony and the September 11th ceremony. He also announced the following: Run for the Ridge on September 18, 2021, Corona Historic Preservation Society Secret Inland Empire on September 18, 2021, Corona High School Baseball Boosters car wash fundraiser September on 25, 2021, and Corona Rotary Lobsterfest on September 25, 2021.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. No parking zones on street sweeping days (J. Steiner) September 29, 2021
2. Vehicle Towing (W. Speake) October 6, 2021
3. SR 91 and I 15 Traffic Congestion Mitigation Options (T. Richins) October 27, 2021

4. Historic Preservation Code Revisions (W. Speake) TBD
5. Consideration of Civic Center Fountain Renovation (W. Speake) TBD
6. Options for Paving the Overlook Area (W. Speake) TBD
7. Wild Pig Depredation (J. Casillas) TBD
8. Non Profit/Sponsored Utility Box Wraps (W. Speake) TBD

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Casillas announced the Study Session Meeting on September 22, 2021 is canceled. The upcoming Fall Council Workshop is on September 29, 2021. Mayor Casillas adjourned the meeting at 9:14 p.m.