

# City of Corona

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

## City Council Minutes - Final

**Wednesday, November 17, 2021**

**Closed Session Council Board Room 5:00 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 6:05 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 6:20 p.m.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)  
Name of Case: City of Corona v. Sun Gyu Kang, et al.  
Case Number: Riverside County Superior Court Case No. RIC 2003362

## CITY COUNCIL

### Rollcall

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

## INVOCATION - Rachel Tucker, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

The Invocation was led by Flory Webber.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Cub Scout Pack 251

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Cub Scout Pack 251.

## CONVENE OPEN SESSION

Mayor Casillas called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

2. Proclamation: National Small Business Saturday.  
Amy Graves, SCORE Representative, accepted the Proclamation.
3. Presentation: McKinley Street Grade Separation Project Update.  
Josh Cosper, Consultant Manager, and Savat Khamphou, Public Works Director, provided a presentation.  
  
Mayor Casillas had inquiries and Jacob Ellis, City Manager, provided clarification.  
  
Joe Morgan, resident, addressed the Council to express his concern regarding the proposed item.
4. Presentation: Covid-19 Update.

Brian Young, Fire Chief, provided an update.

Tayler York, City Clerk Services Specialist, stated there was one written comment and it will be filed with the Minutes.

## MEETING MINUTES

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

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

5. 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 Study Session Meeting of October 27, 2021.

**These Minutes were approved.**

6. 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 November 3, 2021.

**These Minutes were approved.**

## The following item was taken out of order.

19. Appointment to the Library Board of Trustees.

Council Member Daddario appointed Lanette Aisha Kennerly to the Library Board of Trustees. Ms. Kennerly provided comments.

**A motion was made by Council Member Daddario, seconded by Mayor Casillas, that this City Council Member Report be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

20. Appointment to the Library Board of Trustees.

Council Member Richins appointed Meg E'amato to the Library Board of Trustees. Ms. E'amato provided comments.

**A motion was made by Council Member Richins, seconded by Mayor Casillas, that this City Council Member Report be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

21. Appointment to the Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District.

Mayor Casillas appointed Nancy Jimenez-Hernandez to the Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District. Ms. Jimenez-Hernandez provided comments.

**A motion was made by Mayor Casillas, seconded by Vice Mayor Speake, that this City Council Member Report be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

## CONSENT CALENDAR

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Speake, seconded by Council Member Richins, that the Consent Calendar be approved, with the exception of Items 11 and 12 which were voted on separately. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

- 7.** 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 September 2021.

**This Financial Report was approved.**

- 8.** 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 September 2021.

**This Financial Report was approved.**

- 9.** City Council adoption of Ordinance No. 3338, second reading of an Ordinance of the City of Corona, California, amending Chapter 8.20 of the Corona Municipal Code relating to Solid Waste Handling, Organics Recycling, and Edible Food Recovery.

**This Ordinance was adopted.**

- 10.** Consent to Master Sub-Lease Holder Diamond Aero Corporation to sublet space to Top Flight Aviation Company to operate a flight training and aircraft rental business at the Corona Municipal Airport.

**This Agreement was approved.**

- 11.** Amendment No. 1 to the Water Sale Agreement between the City of Corona and the Home Gardens County Water District.

Council Member Richins and Vice Mayor Speake had inquiries and Tom Moody, General Manager, provided clarification.

**A motion was made by Council Member Richins, seconded by Vice Mayor Speake, that this Agreement be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

- 12.** Award of Contract to Walsh Construction Company II, LLC. and Appropriation of Additional Funding from Various Agencies for the Construction of the McKinley Street Grade Separation Project.

Sonia Huff, Principal Engineer, addressed the Council to express her support for the

proposed item.

Mayor Casillas provided comments commending Walsh Construction Company II, LLC for their work and bidding.

**A motion was made by Mayor Casillas, seconded by Vice Mayor Speake, that this Bid & Purchase be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

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

**This Report was received and filed.**

## **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Taylor York, City Clerk Services Specialist, stated there was one written comment and it will be filed with the Minutes.

Joe Bhaghani, resident, addressed the Council regarding November 23, 2021 Food Drive and Covid Testing.

Esther S. Esparza, resident, addressed the Council regarding the vaccine mandate.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

None.

## **LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

None.

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

### **A) Planning & Housing Commission**

None.

### **B) Parks & Recreation Commission**

- 14.** Receive and file Parks and Recreation Commission updates at the November 9, 2021 meeting:
- a. Park Equipment Standard Revised Scoring Sheet
  - b. YMCA Aquatic Program Proposal

- c. Community Clean Up Schedule

**This Parks & Recreation Commission Report was received and filed.**

### C) Regional Meetings

- 15.** Update from Vice Mayor Wes Speake on the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Community, Economic and Human Development Committee Meeting of November 4, 2021.

Vice Mayor Speake provided an update.

- 16.** Update from Vice Mayor Wes Speake on the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) Western Programs Meeting of November 10, 2021.

Vice Mayor Speake provided an update.

- 17.** Update from Vice Mayor Wes Speake on the League of California Cities ACA 7 working group meeting of November 17, 2021.

Vice Mayor Speake provided an update.

- 18.** Update from Mayor Jacque Casillas on the League of California Cities Riverside County Division, Executive Committee Meeting of November 8, 2021.

Mayor Casillas provided an update.

### CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

### CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Jacob Ellis, City Manager, announced and provided a brief overview on the Downtown Revitalization Plan meeting on November 18, 2021.

### CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Council Member Daddario encouraged the community to participate in the Downtown Revitalization Plan meeting on November 18, 2021. He congratulated the new appointees to the Library Board of Trustees and Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control. He also provided a brief overview on the District 2 Town Hall meeting and coffee with Officer Tizcareno and Officer Cocke.

Council Member Richins encouraged the community to participate in the Downtown Revitalization Plan meeting on November 18, 2021.

Council Member Steiner provided a brief overview of the Oak Avenue Street and Sidewalk Improvement Project. He commended Savat Khamphou, Public Works Director, and staff for all their hard work on traffic management.

Vice Mayor Speake provided a brief overview on attending the following: Salute to the Military, Estancia Del Sol Thanksgiving Senior lunch, and meeting with the new Dos Lagos owners. He provided comments to Jacob Ellis, City Manager, regarding future meeting items and had inquiries regarding the Digital City Award and Mr. Ellis provided clarification. He also announced Dos Lagos Christmas Tree lighting on November 27, 2021 and District 5 Town Hall meeting on December 4, 2021.

Mayor Casillas encouraged the community to participate in the Downtown Revitalization Plan meeting on November 18, 2021. She also provided a brief overview on attending Kristallnacht Commemoration, Valencia Terrace Veterans' Day Celebration, American Legion Joe Dominguez Post 742 Veterans' Day Commemoration, and Just Serve Awards. She also commended staff for all their hard work on helping host Home Gardens Avid Program tour.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Non Profit/Sponsored Utility Box Wraps (W. Speake) 1/12/2022
2. Consideration of Civic Center Fountain Renovation (W. Speake) 1/26/2022
3. Options for Paving the Overlook Area (W. Speake) 1/26/2022
4. Historic Preservation Code Revisions (W. Speake) TBD
5. Corona Municipal Airport Update (T. Daddario) TBD
6. Options to expedite Redevelopment of Main Street and Parkridge Avenue Area (J. Casillas) TBD
7. Review of building/permit fees (T. Richins) TBD
8. Infill fees in historic districts (W. Speake) TBD
9. Draft Agendas (T. Daddario) TBD

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The next scheduled meeting of the Council is December 1, 2021. Mayor Casillas adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.