

# City of Corona

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

## City Council Minutes - Final

**Wednesday, August 3, 2022**

**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**

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

The City Council meeting for August 3, 2022, will be conducted in person. Members may attend in person or remotely. To participate remotely, please use the following link:

<https://coronaca-gov.zoom.us/j/82768819082>

## CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session convened at 4:35 p.m. for the purposes listed below. Present were Mayor Speake, Vice Mayor Daddario, Council Member Casillas, Council Member Richins, and Council Member Steiner. Closed Session adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

## CITY COUNCIL

1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8  
Property: APN 113-340-014  
Agency negotiator: Jacob Ellis, City Manager  
Negotiating parties: Christian Church Homes  
Under negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment
2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8  
Property Location: 117-182-005, 117-185-024  
Agency Negotiator: Jacob Ellis, City Manager  
Negotiating Party: UHS Corona, Inc.  
Under Negotiation: Price & Terms of Payment
3. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8  
Property Location: 117-191-019  
Agency Negotiator: Jacob Ellis, City Manager  
Negotiating Party: Rest Area, LLC  
Under Negotiation: Price & Terms of Payment
4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)  
Name of Case: Santino Renaldo Saputo v. City of Corona, et al.  
US District Court Case Number: 5:22-cv-01062 SSS (MAAx)

## Rollcall

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

## INVOCATION

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Casillas.

## CONVENE OPEN SESSION

Mayor Speake called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

5. Award: Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Award to Mayor.  
Richard Contreras, Micheal Hall, and Christian Martinez presented an award to Mayor Speake.
6. Proclamation: Muslim American Appreciation Month.  
Joe Bhaghani, Masih Fouladi, and Shaheen Nassar accepted the Proclamation.
7. Presentation: Lifestream Blood Bank.  
The presenter did not attend the meeting and; therefore, this item was not presented.
8. Presentation: City of Corona Travel Patterns.  
Chris Grey from Western Riverside Council of Governments provided a presentation. The Council had inquiries and Mr. Grey provided clarification.  
  
Joe Morgan, resident, addressed the Council to discuss the Recognitions and Presentations.

## CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Jacob Ellis, City Manager, provided comments regarding Closed Session Item 2. He stated that the Council considered a request from the Universal Health Services to consider the sale of the City-owned property currently utilized by the Corona Public Library to support a possible hospital expansion. Mr. Ellis indicated that the City Council directed staff not to proceed further with exploring the proposal.

## MEETING MINUTES

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

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

9. 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 June 22, 2022.

**These Minutes were approved.**

- 10.** 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 Special Meeting of June 22, 2022.

**These Minutes were approved.**

- 11.** 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 July 6, 2022.

**These Minutes were approved.**

- 12.** 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 Committee of the Whole Meeting of July 13, 2022.

**These Minutes were approved.**

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A motion was made by Council Member Casillas, seconded by Council Member Richins, that the Consent Calendar be approved with the exception of Items 16, 18, 21 through 23, and 26, which were voted on separately. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

- 13.** 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 May 2022.

**This Financial Report was approved.**

- 14.** 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 May 2022.

**This Financial Report was approved.**

- 15.** City Council adoption of Ordinance No. 3343, second reading of an Ordinance of the City of Corona, California, approving an amendment to Title 17 of the Corona Municipal Code, Sections 17.04.244, Section 17.44.130 and Section 17.98.072 to revise the length of stay for emergency shelters by amending the definition of Emergency Shelters and standards for emergency shelters in the M-1 (Light Industry), M-2 (General Industry) and M-3 (Heavy Industry) zones to establish a person's duration of occupancy as consecutive days, rather than cumulative days (Applicant: City of Corona).

**This Ordinance was adopted.****16. Professional Services Agreement with Corona Chamber of Commerce for Business Promotion, Marketing, and Retention Services.**

Jessica Gonzales, Economic Development Director, provided a staff report.

The following individuals addressed the Council in support of the proposed item: Palbinder Badesha, Tim Gramli, and Joe Morgan.

The Council discussed the proposed item and had inquiries. Ms. Gonzales provided clarification. Ms. Badesha provided comments.

Vice Mayor Daddario made a motion to approve the proposed item as outlined in the staff recommendation, with the following amendments:

**Item 1:**

- The contract amount shall not exceed \$69,500 which accounts for a \$18,000 cost reduction resulting from removing the proposed 6 Coffee with an Entrepreneur events by deleting Section 2.A.i of the Scope of Work.

**Item 2:**

- Add to Section 2.A.ii of the Scope of Work, the following language, starting with a new item 2:
  2. One or two seminar topics will be provided to City's Economic Development Director for approval within first 45 days of the execution of this Agreement.
  3. Economic Development Director will approve or deny topics based on topic alignment with business needs identified in the City's Economic Development Strategic Plan.
  4. Council to be notified within 5 business days of the approved topics, which will be included in the official recorded transcript of the next available City Council meeting.

**Item 3:**

- Add new section to the Scope of Work, as follows:
  - Section 3: Reporting and Metrics
    - For all events, seminars, and workshops in the Agreement the following will be provided within 30 days of completion.
      - Metrics -Chamber to provide to Economic Development Department reportable data including, number of attendees, contact list of attendees, number of time businesses were contacted to attend event, and number of Corona businesses versus number of non-Corona businesses in attendance.
      - Follow Up -Chamber to provide to Economic Development Department any attendee questions, comments or concerns

that are pertinent to the topic of the event, seminar, or workshop along with contact information so that the Economic Development Department can follow up.

- Reporting -The Chamber will provide to Economic Development Department an executive level summary of the event, lessons learned (what went well, what did not go well) and suggestions or improvements for future events.

There was no second and the motion died.

Martha Cortez, entrepreneur, addressed the Council to provide her perspective as a business owner. Ms. Badesha provided additional comments regarding the Council's discussion.

Council Member Casillas made a motion to approve the proposed item as outlined in the staff recommendation, with the following amendments: Item 3 from Vice Mayor Daddario's proposed motion and to ensure that the seminar topics are aligned with business needs.

Vice Mayor Daddario abstained because the motion that was made did not align with the motion he made.

**A motion was made by Council Member Casillas, seconded by Council Member Steiner that this Agreement be approved with the amendments outlined above. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Speake, Casillas, Richins, and Steiner

**Abstain:** 1 - Daddario

- 17.** Fifth Amendment to the Aviation Program Agreement between the City of Riverside and the City of Corona, formerly known as the Helicopter Program.

**This Agreement was approved.**

- 18.** Second Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Rincon Consultants, Inc. to extend the term of the agreement and increase the compensation by \$25,000 for a total compensation of \$191,895.

Council Member Richins and Vice Mayor Daddario provided comments and had inquiries. Joanne Coletta, Planning and Development Director, provided clarification.

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

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

- 19.** Consent to Assignment of Airport Leases to Flight Ventures, LLC.

**This Agreement was approved.**

- 20.** Inter-Agency Instructional Services Agreement between the Riverside Community College District / Moreno Valley College and the City of Corona to provide District-approved continuing education and specialized training to the Corona Fire Department.

**This Agreement was approved.**

- 21.** Side Letter with City of Corona Supervisors Association, on adding additional work schedule options.

Council Member Richins had inquiries and Jacob Ellis, City Manager, and Angela Rivera, Chief Talent Office, provided clarification.

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

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

- 22.** Second Amendment to Maintenance/General Services Agreement with Valverde Construction, Inc. for On-Call Emergency - Essential Systems Repair Services for Potable Water - Reclaimed Water - Wastewater.

Vice Mayor Daddario had inquiries and Savat Khamphou, Public Works Director, provided clarification.

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

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

- 23.** Fiscal Year 2022 Quarter 4 Budgetary Adjustments.

Vice Mayor Daddario had inquiries and Katie Hockett, Assistant Utilities Director, provided clarification.

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

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

- 24.** Resolution approving the 2022 Local Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act.

**This Resolution was adopted.**

- 25.** Resolution levying special taxes to be collected during Fiscal Year 2023 for the City's Community Facilities District No. 2016-3 (Maintenance Services), Zone 31.

**This Resolution was adopted.**

- 26.** Resolution making additional findings to support the City's approval of the Housing Element of General Plan Amendment GPA2021-0001.

Council Member Richins provided comments.

**A motion was made by Council Member Richins, seconded by Council Member Steiner, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

- 27.** Waiver from Corona Municipal Code Section 15.60.080 regarding the undergrounding of existing overhead utility wires located along 230 S. Lincoln Avenue.

**This Waiver was approved.**

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Ken Fischer, resident, addressed the Council to express his concerns with street conditions and City department communication.

Tanya Martinez, resident, addressed the Council to invite them to a Back to School event on August 6, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Karen Spiegel, Riverside County Supervisor - 2nd District, addressed the Council to invite them to the groundbreaking for the Prado Dam mural and the Women's Leadership Conference.

Joe Morgan, resident, addressed the Council to express his concerns with Closed Session Item 2.

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 28.** Public Hearing for a report on Water Quality relative to Public Health Goals for Calendar Years 2019 through 2021.

Mayor Speake opened the Public Hearing. Kristian Duarte, Deputy City Clerk, stated there was no correspondence received regarding the Public Hearing. Mayor Speake closed the Public Hearing.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Daddario, seconded by Council Member Steiner that this Public Hearing be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 29.** Fiscal Year 2022 Quarter 4 Update.

Kim Sitton, Finance Director, and Jacob Ellis, City Manager provided an update. The Council provided comments on the update.

## LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

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



**A) Planning & Housing Commission**

None.

**B) Parks & Recreation Commission**

None.

**C) Regional Meetings**

- 30.** Update from Council Member Jacque Casillas on the Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) Meeting of August 1, 2022.

Council Member Casillas provided an update.

- 31.** Update from Council Member Tom Richins on the Riverside Transit Agency (RTA) Board Meeting of July 28, 2022.

Council Member Richins provided an update.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

None.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Jacob Ellis, City Manager, commended the progress that has been made to the City's Strategic Plan and thanked the Leadership Team and the City's 800 employees who have worked together to make it happen.

**CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Council Member Richins expressed his gratitude to the Police Department for hosting the National Night Out event. He also shared concerns he received from a resident regarding the importance that the Corona Public Library has on the community.

Council Member Steiner provided an overview on the Sierra Bella community event and thanked residents Linda Henry and Sochi Lamely of the Sierra Bella community for organizing the event, community realtors Nolasco and Berta for sponsoring the event, and Mike and Nancy Zeller for donating to the event. He also thanked Corona employees for their support during the event.

Vice Mayor Daddario provided an overview on the Summer Concert series and expressed his excitement to attend the last concert of the summer taking place the following night.

Mayor Speake provided an overview on the following events: The Economic Forecast, the LaLila Project event, and the Job Fair that took place at Dos Lagos. He also

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acknowledged the new Roll 'em Up Taquitos restaurant.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Report on the Local Road Safety Plan (Staff) August 10, 2022
2. Urban Forest Update (Staff) August 10, 2022
3. Historic Route Signs (Staff) August 10, 2022
4. HHW Waste Facility Update August 10, 2022
5. Graffiti Program Update (Staff) August 10, 2022
6. Communications Plan Update (Staff) August 24, 2022
7. Preview of Downtown Revitalization Plan (Staff) August 24, 2022
8. Housing Element Rezoning Program Update August 24, 2022
9. Volunteer Program Update (Staff) August/September
10. Adoption of Economic Development Strategic Plan (Staff) August/September
11. Quiet Zone at Railroad Crossings (Staff) August/September
12. Purchasing Policy Update (Staff) August/September
13. Field Maintenance Standards (Staff) August/September
14. Legislative Platform Update (Staff) August/September
15. LMD Program Update (Staff) August/September
16. Street Vendor Ordinance (Staff) August/September
17. American Rescue Plan Act Project Update (Staff) August/September
18. Electric Utility Sale Analysis (Staff) August/September
19. Infill Fees in Historic Districts (W. Speake) August/September
20. Adoption of Downtown Revitalization Plan (Staff) TBD
21. Skyline Village CFD (Staff) TBD
22. Security Camera Master Plan Update (Staff) TBD
23. Banning Temporary Signs in the Public Right of Way (W. Speake) TBD
24. Community Mural Project (J. Casillas) TBD
25. Parking Enforcement Update (Staff) TBD
26. Historic Preservation Code Revisions (W. Speake) TBD
27. Secondhand Smoke as a Nuisance (W. Speake) TBD
28. Options to expedite Redevelopment of Main Street & Parkridge Ave. Area (J. Casillas) TBD

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The next scheduled meeting of the Council is August 17, 2022. Mayor Speake adjourned the meeting at 9:12 p.m.