

WALNUT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Tragarz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: C/Pacheco led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: M/Tragarz, C/Ching, C/Pacheco, C/Su
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: MPT/Rodriguez

Also present: City Manager Wishner; Assistant City Manager Weiner, Assistant City Manager Rooney; Administrative Services Director Ogawa; City Attorney Leibold; City Planner Carlson; Community; Senior Planner Vasquez; Senior Management Analyst Womble; Finance Officer Cortez; Public Information Officer Tep; Administrative Assistant Markel; and City Clerk De Dios.

INVOCATION - NON-DENOMINATIONAL: There was no invocation.

PRESENTATIONS:

- **Energy Upgrade California (EUC) Proclamation**

Laura Rosenthal presented information regarding the Energy Upgrade California statewide initiative.

- **Arbor Day Proclamation**

Council presented a proclamation to Parks and Recreation Chair Pedersen proclaiming October 13th Arbor Day.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL:

Daniel Luevanos shared information regarding OneLegacy Donate Life and invited Council to a viewing of their Rose Parade float.

Members of NexGen invited Council and the community to attend their “Walnut Nightlife Block Party” event on October 20th.

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William Harrison thanked community development staff for their work throughout the City and asked Council to contact Supervisor Solis regarding the conditions of two shopping centers in her jurisdiction.

There being no further input, it was moved by C/Ching to close oral communications; seconded by C/Pacheco. Motion carried.

MINUTES:

1. Approval of the September 26, 2018 City Council Meeting

MOTION ON ITEM 1

C/Su moved to approve Item 1; seconded by C/Pacheco. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Pacheco, Su, Tragarz
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Ching
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Rodriguez

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None scheduled.

ORDINANCE: None scheduled.

COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR:

Item 4 was pulled for discussion.

2. Resolution No. 18-59 - A Resolution of the City of Walnut Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$538,753.02 Demand No. 156881 through No. 156962, Both Inclusive

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 18-59.

3. Second Amendment to the Agreement for Professional Services between the City of Walnut and Rincon Consultants, Inc.

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Approve the Second Amendment between the City of Walnut and Rincon Consultants, Inc. in substantially the form attached hereto, and in such final form as may be approved by the City Attorney; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute and administer the Second Amendment and any other documents necessary to effect the foregoing, on behalf of the City in such final form as may be approved by the City Attorney.

MOTION ON ITEMS 2 - 3

C/Ching made a motion to adopt Items 2 - 3; seconded by C/Su. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: *Ching, Pacheco, Su, Tragarz*
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: *Rodriguez*

ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION:

4. Award of Contract to Graphic Solutions to develop a Comprehensive Sign Program for the West Valley Specific Plan

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Award a contract to Graphic Solutions to develop a Comprehensive Sign Program for the West Valley Specific Plan, in an amount not to exceed \$46,387;
2. Approve said Agreement for two (2) years beginning October 10, 2018 and expiring on October 9, 2020;
3. Reject all other proposals;
4. Authorize the City Manager to execute and administer said Agreement in substantially the form attached, and in such final form as approved by the City Attorney;
5. Direct Staff to utilize available funds within the 2018-19 Annual budget as follows:
 - a. \$39,205 from account no. 25-5001-6216;
 - b. \$7,182 from account no. 01-5000-6216; and
6. Issue a Purchase Order to Graphic Solutions in an amount not to exceed \$46,387.

SMA/Womble presented a staff report.

Discussion took place regarding specifics of the program as well as the costs associated and the funding for the program.

MOTION ON ITEM 4

C/Su moved to approve Item 4; seconded by C/Pacheco. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: *Ching, Pacheco, Su*
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: *Tragarz*
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: *Rodriguez*

SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR: None scheduled.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION/TRANSACTION ITEMS:

5. **Weed and Rubbish Abatement: Hearing for Objection(s) for Two (2) Substandard Properties located at 1347 Wesleyan Avenue and 726 Bronco Way (APN's: 8712-015-017 & 8709-055-033)**

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Hear the Staff Report;
2. Hear and consider all objections on this item; and
3. By Motion, allow or overrule objections and, if overruled, authorize Staff to abate 1347 Wesleyan Avenue (APN: 8712-015-017) and 726 Bronco Way (APN: 8709-055-033), as prescribed in Walnut Municipal Code (WMC) 3.44 "Weed and Rubbish Abatement."

M/Tragarz recused herself from the discussion at 7:33 p.m. due to a conflict of interest.

ACM/Weiner presented a staff report. He stated that anyone objecting to the abatement order at either property may speak.

Representative from 1347 Wesleyan stated objections to the abatement order.

William Harrison expressed support for the abatement.

Discussion took place amongst Council and Staff regarding the condition of the property at 1347 Wesleyan.

CA/Leibold stated that weed and rubbish abatement is part of the municipal code and supported by the California Government Code.

CM/Wishner stated that the City is complaint driven rather than proactive in regards to code enforcement.

Resident expressed support to overrule the abatement.

MOTION ON ITEM 5

C/Su moved to overrule objections and authorize staff abate the properties at 726 Bronco Way and 1347 Wesleyan Avenue; seconded by C/Pacheco. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Ching, Pacheco, Su
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Rodriguez, Tragarz

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M/Tragarz returned to the Council meeting at 7:49 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (COUNCIL MEMBERS AND STAFF):

A. Councilmembers' report on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency

C/Ching shared information from a Foothill Transit meeting.

B. Individual Members' comments and updates

M/Tragarz invited everyone to attend the Walnut Family Festival on October 13th.

C/Pacheco shared information regarding two candidate forums for the upcoming election.

CA/Leibold stated that the City is able to accommodate attendees with hearing, mobility, or speech difficulties though they are asked to contact the City Clerk at least 48 hours before a meeting.

COUNCIL LATE BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the City Council meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of October 2018.

Nancy Tragarz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Teresa De Dios, City Clerk

PREPARED BY:

Ray Markel, Administrative Assistant