

**WALNUT CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Tragarz called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** MPT/Rodriguez led the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: M/Tragarz, MPT/Rodriguez, C/Ching, C/Pacheco, C/Wu  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

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

**INVOCATION - NON-DENOMINATIONAL:** The invocation was led by Pastor Jimmy Nih from Walnut United Methodist Church.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

- **Recognition of June Wentworth**

Council recognized June Wentworth for her time and dedication to the City of Walnut while serving on the City Council, Planning Commission, and the Personnel Committee for the Walnut Valley School District.

- **Winter 2019 Business of the Quarter– Farmers Insurance**

Council recognized Linda and Frank Argumosa of Farmers Insurance and congratulated them on being the Winter 2019 Business of the Quarter.

- **Proclamation Recognizing February as Black History Month**

Clarence Banks from the ASPIRE program at Mt. San Antonio College (Mt. SAC) accepted the City Council’s proclamation recognizing February as Black History Month.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL:**

Gregg Fritchle thanked June Wentworth for her dedication to the City of Walnut.

Jill Dolan provided an update to the community regarding current programs and construction at Mt. SAC.

William Harrison called for more diversity amongst school district as well as more focus on black history.

Adriana Perez, Mary Thornhill, and Robert Baker expressed concerns regarding coyotes in the City of Walnut.

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 February 13, 2019 Study Session**
2. **Approval of the February 13, 2019 City Council Minutes**

**MOTION ON ITEMS 1 & 2**

*C/Ching made a motion to approve Items 1 & 2; seconded by MPT/Rodriguez. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:*

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

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

3. **Ordinance No. 19-01 – 2018 Citywide Speed Survey Establishing Speed Limits on Certain Streets in the City of Walnut**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Open the Public Hearing;
2. Hear the Staff Report and receive public comments;
3. City Council Discussion;
4. Close the Public Hearing; and
5. Adopt by title only and waive further reading of Ordinance No. 19-01, “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Walnut, California, Amending Walnut Municipal Code Section 3.32.030 of Chapter 3.32 of Title III thereof, Revising the Speed Limit on Certain Streets.”

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CE/Gilbertson presented a staff report.

M/Tragarz opened the public hearing.

There being no input, it was unanimously moved by Council to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

Discussion took place regarding speed limits down Grand Avenue towards West Covina.

**MOTION ON ITEM 3**

***C/Ching made a motion to adopt Item 3; seconded by C/Wu. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:***

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

**ORDINANCE:** None scheduled.

**COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- 4. Resolution No. 19-10 - A Resolution of the City of Walnut Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$637,009.96, Demand No. 157694 through No. 157764, Both Inclusive**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 19-10.

- 5. Renewal of General Services Agreement with County of Los Angeles**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

1. Approve the five-year General Services Agreement with the County of Los Angeles for the periods of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2024; and
2. Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the Agreement in such final form as approved by the City Attorney.

- 6. Reaffirmation of City Council's Unconditional Commitment to Comply with the Brown Act**

**Recommendation:** Authorize the Mayor to Execute a Letter of Unconditional Commitment to Patricia Tsuneyoshi, per Government Code section 54960.2, to Cease, Desist from, and Not Repeat Challenged City Council Actions at the January 9, 2019 City Council Meeting.

**MOTION ON ITEMS 4 - 6**

*C/Ching made a motion to adopt Items 4 - 6; seconded by C/Wu. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:*

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

CA/Leibold stated that in relation to Item 6, Council authorized a letter responding to the property owner that has been distributed to the City Council and is available as a public record.

**SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR:** None scheduled.

**COUNCIL DISCUSSION/TRANSACTION ITEMS:** None scheduled.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS (COUNCIL MEMBERS AND STAFF):**

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

C/Wu shared information from a San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments meeting.

**B. Individual Members' comments and updates**

C/Ching shared information from a Lunar New Year event hosted by Los Angeles Council Department of Children Services that he attended.

**COUNCIL LATE BUSINESS:** None.

**RECESS TO THE MEETING OF THE WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Authority Chair Tragarz called the meeting to order at 8:14 p.m.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR HOUSING AUTHORITY:**

There being no one present wishing to speak during oral communications, it was unanimously moved by the Walnut Housing Authority to close oral communication. Motion carried.

**AUTHORITY PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None scheduled.

**AUTHORITY CONSENT CALENDAR:**

7. **Resolution No. 19-02 WHA – A Resolution of the Walnut Housing Authority Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$32,347.14 Demand No. 100373 through No. 100373, Both Inclusive**

**Recommendation:** That the Authority adopt Resolution No. 19-02 WHA.

**MOTION ON ITEM 7**

*AM/Ching made a motion to adopt Item 7; seconded by VC/Rodriguez. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:*

**AYES:** *AGENCY MEMBERS: Ching, Pacheco, Rodriguez, Tragarz, Wu*  
**NOES:** *AGENCY MEMBERS: None*  
**ABSTAIN:** *AGENCY MEMBERS: None*  
**ABSENT:** *AGENCY MEMBERS: None*

**AUTHORITY DISCUSSION/TRANSACTION ITEMS:** None scheduled.

**AUTHORITY LATE BUSINESS:** None scheduled.

**AUTHORITY ADJOURNS TO CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**CLOSED SESSION:**

- A. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Gov't Code § 54956.9)  
United Walnut Taxpayers v Mt San Antonio Community College District, et al.  
Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BC 576587  
[Consolidated with Case Nos. BS 154389, BC 600860 and BS159593]**

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- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Gov't Code § 54956.9)  
City of Walnut v Mt San Antonio Community College District, et al.  
Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BS 166152 MF;  
(Consolidated Case No. BS170683)**
  
- C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Gov't Code § 54956.9)  
City of Walnut v Mt San Antonio Community College District, et al.  
Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BS 171818  
City of Walnut v. Mt. San Antonio Community College District et al )**

**RECONVENE COUNCIL MEETING AND ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTION**

The meeting reconvened at 8:40 p.m. There was no reportable action on items A, B, or C.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the City Council meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

**PASSED AND APPROVED this 27th day of March 2019.**

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Nancy Tragarz, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Teresa De Dios, City Clerk

PREPARED BY:

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Ray Markel, Administrative Assistant