

WALNUT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: M/Rodriguez led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: M/Rodriguez, MPT/Pacheco, C/Ching, C/Tragarz, 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; Finance Officer Cortez; Building Official Tao; Senior Planner Vasquez; Associate Planner Guerra; Public Information Officer Tep; Administrative Assistant Markel; and City Clerk De Dios.

INVOCATION - NON-DENOMINATIONAL: Pastor Dennis Liu from Vineyard of Harvest Church led the invocation.

PRESENTATIONS:

- **Solar Project Presentation by The Diamonds from Stanford Academy**

The students presented their solar bench project and shared the benefits to the community. The City Council thanked them for their presentation and recognized their dedication to make the city a better place to live.

- **Fall 2019 Business of the Quarter – Ocean One Scuba Center**

Council recognized Bill Zhang, dive instructor and owner of the Ocean One Scuba Center, as the Fall 2019 Business of the Quarter.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL:

Russ Viasquez shared information and expressed concerns regarding an incident involving the sheriff's department.

Gary Chang of the Rowland Unified School District, shared information on the events and activities taking place at the schools in the district.

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William Harrison shared information on the food bank hosted by Nogales High School on December 14th. He expressed interest in having the city host a similar event and expressed support for pay increases for teachers and city staff.

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

MINUTES:

1. Approval of the November 13, 2019 City Council/WHA Meeting

MOTION ON ITEM 1

C/Wu made a motion to approve Item 1; seconded by MPT/Pacheco. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:

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

PUBLIC HEARING:

2. Urgency Ordinance No. 19-11 – Adoption by Reference of the 2020 Los Angeles County Building, Residential, Plumbing, Mechanical, and Electrical Codes with Local Amendments and the 2019 California Green and Existing Building Codes with Local Amendments

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Open the public hearing;
2. Receive the staff report;
3. Receive public testimony;
4. City Council discussion;
5. Close the public hearing; and

Introduce Urgency Ordinance No. 19-11, read by title only, waive further reading and adopt effective January 11, 2020 - “An Urgency Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Walnut, California, Amending the Walnut Municipal Code Title 2, Chapter 2.04 through 2.24 and Adopting by Reference the Los Angeles County Building Code, 2020 Edition, the Los Angeles County Residential Code, 2020 Edition, the Los Angeles County Electrical Code, 2020 Edition, the Los Angeles County Mechanical Code, 2020 Edition, the Los Angeles County Plumbing Code, 2020 Edition, the California Green Building Code, 2019 Edition, and the California Existing Building Code, 2019 Edition.”

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M/Rodriguez opened the public hearing.

BO/Tao presented a staff report.

M/Rodriguez opened the public testimony. There was no public comment.

Discussion took place amongst Council and staff regarding the updated codes.

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

MOTION ON ITEM 2

MPT/Pacheco made a motion to adopt Item 2; seconded by C/Ching. 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:

3. **Resolution No. 19-67 - “A Resolution of the City of Walnut Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$1,253,517.34, Demand No. 159543 through No. 159703, Both Inclusive.”**

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 19-67.

4. **Resolution No. 19-68 – Salary Schedules**

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 19-68, amending the Seasonal Part-Time Salary Schedule (Attachment 2) to comply with State minimum wage requirements. Salary Schedules for Management and Classified units will not be affected at this time.

5. **Resolution No. 19-69 – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Walnut, California, Authorizing Destruction of Certain Records Pursuant to Resolution No. 01-18**

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 19-69.

6. Resolution No. 19-70 – Request by Valley Vista Services for a Rate Adjustment for CPI Increase

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 19-70:

1. Setting fees for refuse, recycling, green waste, organic waste, and commercial collection within the City of Walnut; and
2. Approving a 3.26% CPI rate increase effective on or after February 1, 2020, subject to Valley Vista Services providing all customers with the required 30-day notification.

7. Final Acceptance – La Puente Road Rehabilitation Project

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Accept the work performed by Gentry Brothers, Inc. for the La Puente Road Rehabilitation Project; and
2. Authorize the City Clerk to file the proper “Notice of Completion.”

8. Out-of-State Travel Authorization

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the travel request for City Representatives to attend the annual RECon 2020 event, hosted by the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC), in Las Vegas, Nevada.

9. Update on Coyote Control Management

Recommendation: That the City Council receive and file this update.

MOTION ON ITEMS 3 - 9

C/Ching made a motion to adopt Items 3 - 9; seconded by MPT/Pacheco. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:

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

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

There were no reports.

B. Individual Members’ comments and updates

MPT/Pacheco requested that staff consider the solar bench project proposed by students. CM/Wishner stated that he would have staff review the project.

C/Wu shared that the Walnut Valley Water District will not increase the meter charge for residents and stated that they will have a town hall meeting soon.

M/Rodriguez shared information from the StrongTown summit that he and staff attended. He invited the community to attend the following holiday events at the Senior Center: Tis the Season Mini Marketplace, Dinner with Santa, and Winter Wonderland. He also announced city facility closures for the holiday season.

Council wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

COUNCIL LATE BUSINESS: None.

RECESS TO THE MEETING OF THE WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY

WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Authority Chair Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR HOUSING AUTHORITY:

There being no one present wishing to speak during oral communications, it was moved by AM/Ching to close oral communications; seconded by AC/Rodriguez. Motion carried.

AUTHORITY PUBLIC HEARINGS: None scheduled.

AUTHORITY CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 10. Resolution No. 19-12 WHA - A Resolution of the Walnut Housing Authority Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$54,763.51, Demand No. 100383 through No. 100384, Both Inclusive**

Recommendation: That the Authority adopt Resolution No. 19-12 WHA.

MOTION ON ITEM 10

C/Ching made a motion to adopt Item 10; seconded by C/Wu. 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: None scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the City Council adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 8th day of January 2020.

Andrew Rodriguez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Teresa De Dios, City Clerk

PREPARED BY:

Ray Markel, Administrative Assistant