

WALNUT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: MPT/Ching led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL:

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

Also present: City Manager Wishner; Assistant City Manager Weiner; Assistant City Manager Rooney; City Attorney Leibold; Finance Officer Cortez; Deputy Community Services Director Jensen; Community Services Superintendent Barcelo; City Engineer Gilbertson; Senior Planner Vasquez; Senior Management Analyst Layman; Senior Management Analyst Guerra; Finance Analyst Meza, Planning Assistant Munoz; Finance Analyst Russel; Planning Technician Katigbak; Public Information Officer Maio; Administrative Assistant Markel; and City Clerk De Dios

INVOCATION – NON-DENOMINATIONAL: Mark Statema from Young Life Ministry led the invocation.

PRESENTATIONS:

- **Lov Ch Ch Churros and Chocolate – Welcome to the City/Business Recognition**

Council recognized and welcomed Lov Ch Ch Churros and Chocolate to the city.

- **Athena Guan, Walnut High School**

Council recognized Athena Guan for her efforts on her Fold a Wish program.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL:

Deidre Vail expressed safety concerns in the area of Heidelberg and Amar Road.

William Harrison thanked Athena Guan for the work she is doing with her Fold a Wish program.

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

MINUTES:

1. **Approval of the June 9, 2021 Study Session**
3. **Approval of the June 9, 2021 Successor Agency Special Meeting**
4. **Approval of the June 9, 2021 City Council Meeting**

MOTION ON ITEMS 1, 3 & 4

C/Wu made a motion to approve Items 1, 3 & 4; seconded by MPT/Ching. Motion carried by the following rollcall vote:

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

5. **Continued from the May 26, 2021 City Council Meeting (Brookside) - A proposal to subdivide a 25.8-acre property into twenty-eight (28) single-family residential lots and other on-site improvements as 800 Meadowpass Road (APN: 8709-093-001, 002, & 003)**

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Open the Public Hearing;
2. Hear the Staff Report;
3. Solicit public input on this item;
4. Discuss amongst the City Council Members;
5. Close the Public Hearing; and
6. Accept the Planning Commission’s March 4, 2020 recommendation(s) and approve the Brookside Project with the following actions:
 - a. Adopt Resolution No. 21-25 certifying the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) with Statement of Findings;
 - b. Adopt Resolution No. 21-26 approving Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 2015-006;
 - c. Adopt Resolution No. 21-27 approving Tentative Tract Map (TTM) No. 72798; and
 - d. Introduce by title only and waive further reading of Ordinance No. 21-02, “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Walnut, County of Los Angeles, State of California Approving A Development Agreement for the Brookside Project Located at 800 Meadowpass Road (APN: 8709-093-001, -002, -003)” and agendize for adoption at the regularly scheduled City Council meeting of July 14, 2021.

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M/Pacheco opened the public hearing.

SP/Vasquez presented a staff report.

Applicant Jack Su and his team provided a presentation on the project.

M/Pacheco opened public comment.

CC/De Dios read into the record letters from Drexel Smith, Donna Daigle, and Rose Zafra.

Diana Coronado, Jesse Rodriguez, Anabelle Pacheco, and Hassan Sassi expressed support for the proposed project.

Vijay Vakil, Wendy Toy, Charles Isaac, Neri Garcia, Daniel Tashroudian, and William Harrison expressed opposition to the proposed project.

Deidre Vail, Heidi Gallegos, Wendy Toy, Trenton Vail, Vijay Vakil, Lorraine Francis, and Hassan Sassi provided input on the proposed park concepts.

There being no further input, it was moved by C/Freedman to close public comment; seconded by C/Tragarz. Motion carried.

Discussion took place amongst Council and staff regarding the following: the proposed park concepts, maintenance costs of the park, function and use of the park concepts, potential safety concerns of the park, the city's general plan and conditional use permits, the environmental impact report, budget for park construction, and the development agreement.

C/Tragarz expressed concerns regarding maintenance costs of the proposed concepts. She stated that she is in favor of concepts 1 or 3, but would like Lot 4 included in the park.

C/Freedman expressed support for adding Lot 4 to the proposed park.

C/Wu expressed concerns regarding the hydrology and stated that he would like Lot 3 and 4 included into the proposed park.

M/Pacheco expressed support for the first proposed park concept, but would also support the expansion of Lot K with nearby open space.

Developer representative stated that they cannot offer Lot 4 to the City.

MOTION ON ITEM 5

M/Pacheco made a motion to adopt Item 5; seconded by MPT/Ching. The motion was denied by the following rollcall vote:

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

CA/Leibold suggested that Council direct staff to return to the next Council meeting with a resolution documenting the findings discussed and that the objectives of the RPD zones were not met and the circumstances supporting a CUP were not present.

M/Pacheco directed staff to bring back a report to Council supporting the basis for the denial.

Discussion took place amongst Council and staff regarding options for the developer moving forward.

ORDINANCE: None scheduled.

COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR:

6. **Resolution No. 21-36 - A Resolution of the City of Walnut Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$731,371.69, Demand No. 162721 through No. 162774, Both Inclusive**

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 21-36.

7. **Third Amendment to the Contractor Services Agreement with Network Paratransit Systems for the Walnut Way Dial-A-Cab Program**

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager to grant a one (1) year extension to the Agreement through June 30, 2022, with adjustments to the Per Mile and Flag Drop rates, and the Administrative Surcharge.

8. **Approval of Vendor Services Agreement with Ontario Refrigeration for the Replacement of Five (5) Heating Ventilating Air Conditioning (HVAC) Units with UV-C Filtration for Virus Protection at the Gymnasium/Teen Center**

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Approve the Agreement for Vendor Services with Ontario Refrigeration in the amount of \$136,567.00 for the purchase, installation, and programming of five (5) HVAC units with UV-C filtration for virus protection at the Gymnasium/Teen Center; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to sign the contract on behalf of the City in substantially the form attached and in such final form as approved by the City Attorney; and
3. Reduce Capital Improvement (25) Fund budget for FY 2020-21 HVAC Replacement project (25-6134-6227) by \$150,230; and
4. Appropriate \$150,230 from American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fund (08) Reserves to the FY 2021-22 HVAC Replacement project (08-6134-6227); and
5. Authorize staff to issue a Purchase Order to Ontario Refrigeration in the amount of \$136,567.00
6. Authorize staff to issue change order not to exceed 10% of the Agreement amount (\$13,656.70) to Ontario Refrigeration for project contingencies.

9. Approval of Plans and Specifications and Authorization to Advertise and Receive Formal Bids for the FY 2021-22 Area 1 Slurry Seal Project

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council approve the plans and specifications, and authorize the City Engineer to advertise to receive formal bids for the FY 2021-22 Area 1 Slurry Seal Project.

10. Walnut Valley Pony Baseball's Request to Host the Super Region, Bronco Zone and Mustang World Series Tournaments July 6 - July 26, 2021 at Creekside Park with Fees Waived

Recommendation: It is recommended by staff that the City Council approve Walnut Valley Pony Baseball's (WVPB) request to host the Super Region, Bronco Zone 11U tournaments and the Mustang 9U World Series from July 6-July 26, 2021 at Creekside Park and waive applicable fees.

11. Commission Appointments to the Planning, Parks and Recreation, Senior Citizens, and Youth Advisory Commissions

Recommendation: That the City Council appoint the nominees recommended by each City Council Member to the Planning, Parks and Recreation, Senior Citizens, and Youth Advisory Commissions:

Planning Commission

Fernando Perez (M/Pacheco); Heinrich Dy (MPT/Ching); Mark Fernandez (C/Freedman); Stephen Sam (C/Tragarz); Sherry Wang (C/Wu).

Parks & Recreation Commission

Richard Cajulis (M/Pacheco); Gloria Munguia (MPT/Ching); Jodi Lepp (C/Freedman); Tom Pedersen (C/Tragarz); Dino Pollalis (C/Wu).

Senior Citizens Commission

Flora Coday-Lamb (M/Pacheco); Jean Sherwood Scott (MPT/Ching); Louis Simonelli (C/Freedman); Sharon Joanne Miller (C/Tragarz); Lisly Lee (C/Wu).

Youth Advisory Commission

Hudson Dy, Nicholas Hernandez (M/Pacheco); Vianna Lai, Anna Cai (MPT/Ching); Chelsea Yeh, Chloe Young (C/Freedman); Rachel Chen, Kyle Yeh (C/Tragarz); Robert McCormick, Kian Chou (C/Wu).

MOTION ON ITEMS 6 - 11

C/Wu made a motion to adopt Items 6 - 11; seconded by C/Tragarz. Motion carried by the following rollcall vote:

AYES: *COUNCILMEMBERS: Pacheco, Ching, Freedman, 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

C/Wu shared information regarding a San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments meeting as well as a San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control meeting.

M/Pacheco shared information from a Sanitation District meeting.

B. Individual Members' comments and updates

C/Tragarz asked Council to close the meeting in memory of Ken Gunn and Barbara Hahn.

C/Freedman congratulated the local softball team for making it to the State Championships.

M/Pacheco invited the community to attend the Independence Day Drive-Thru event on July 3rd.

COUNCIL LATE BUSINESS: None.

COUNCIL ADJOURNS TO WALNUT PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY

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12. Convene Annual Meeting of Walnut Public Financing Authority - The Walnut Improvement Agency established the Walnut Public Financing Authority for the purpose of issuing bonds, and the Authority is required to hold an annual meeting. The officers of the Authority are the same as the officers of the City Council.

A. Notice of Meeting – Walnut Public Financing Authority – “As properly posted, this is now the time and place for the annual meeting of the Walnut Public Financing Authority.”

B. Call to order

AM/Pacheco called the meeting to order at 10:14 p.m.

C. Roll call

Authority Members: Pacheco, Ching, Freedman, Tragarz, Wu

D. Oral Communications

There being no input, it was moved unanimously by the Authority to close oral communications.

E. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of June 24, 2020.

MOTION ON ITEM 12-E

AM/Ching made a motion to approve Item 12-E; seconded by AM/Tragarz. Motion carried by the following rollcall vote:

AYES: Authority Members: Ching, Pacheco, Freedman, Tragarz, Wu

NOES: Authority Members: None

ABSTAIN: Authority Members: None

ABSENT: Authority Members: None

F. Discussion/Transaction Items – None scheduled.

G. Adjournment

AM/Pacheco adjourned the meeting the 10:16 p.m.

WPFA ADJOURNS TO THE WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY

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WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Authority Chair Pacheco called the meeting to order at 10:16 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR HOUSING AUTHORITY:

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

AUTHORITY PUBLIC HEARINGS: None scheduled.

AUTHORITY CONSENT CALENDAR:

2. Approval of the June 9, 2021 WHA Special Meeting
13. Resolution No. 21-07 WHA - A Resolution of the Walnut Housing Authority Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$610,428.28, Demand No. 100404 through No. 100404, Both Inclusive

Recommendation: That the Authority adopt Resolution No. 21-07 WHA.

MOTION ON ITEMS 2 & 13

VC/Ching made a motion to adopt Items 2 & 13; seconded by AM/Wu. Motion carried by the following rollcall vote:

AYES: AGENCY MEMBERS: Ching, Pacheco, Freedman, 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 in honor of Ken Gunn and Barbara Hahn at 10:17 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of July 2021.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Teresa De Dios, City Clerk

PREPARED BY:

Ray Markel, Administrative Assistant