

**WALNUT CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Ching called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** C/Tragarz led the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

Also present: City Manager Wishner; Assistant City Manager Weiner; Assistant City Manager Rooney; Administrative Services Director Ogawa; City Attorney Leibold; City Engineer Gilbertson; City Planner Carlson; Senior Planner Vasquez; Management Analyst Ramos; Senior Management Analyst Layman; Finance Analyst Brashear; Public Information Officer Maio; Administrative Assistant Markel and City Clerk De Dios.

**INVOCATION – NON-DENOMINATIONAL:** Pastor Terrence Shay from the First Chinese Baptist Church led the invocation.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

- **Employee Retirement Recognition – Rob Wishner, City Manager**

Council recognized and thanked retiring City Manager Rob Wishner for his many years of service and dedication to the city. Representatives from the offices Senator Newman, Representative Kim, LA County Fire and Sheriff, Supervisor Solis, and Assemblyman Chen presented CM/Wishner with recognitions.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL:**

Leticia Pacillas, LA County Fire, congratulated Rob for his many years of service and wished him well.

There being no further input, it was unanimously moved by Council to close oral communications; motion carried.

**MINUTES**

**1. Approval of the January 12, 2022 Meeting**

**MOTION ON ITEM 1**

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

**AYES:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: Ching, Freedman, Pacheco, Tragarz, Wu*

**NOES:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: None*

**ABSTAIN:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: None*

**ABSENT:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: None*

**ORDINANCE:**

**2. Urgency Ordinance No. 22-01 – To Adopt an Urgency Ordinance, Consistent with Senate Bill (SB) 9, Regulating Two (2) Unit Residential Development and Urban Lot Splits in Single-Family Residential Zones**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

1. Hear the Staff Report;
2. Receive Public Comment;
3. City Council Discussion; and
4. Read by title only, waive further reading and adopt (effective immediately) Urgency Ordinance 22-01, “An Urgency Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Walnut, County of Los Angeles, California, Regulating Two (2) Unit Residential Development(s) and Urban Lot Splits, within the Single-Family Residential Zone(S), Under Senate Bill (SB) 9.”

SMA/Guerra presented a staff report.

M/Ching opened public comment.

Paul Cheng expressed concerns regarding sections of the ordinance presented.

Gregg Fritchle shared information on SB and requested that Council limit the size of units to maintain affordability.

Discussion took place amongst Council and staff regarding specifics of SB 9, land use and development standards in the city, and requirements under the proposed ordinance.

M/Ching closed the public hearing.

**MOTION ON ITEM 2**

*C/Pacheco made a motion to adopt to Item 2; seconded by MPT/Wu. Motion carried by the following voice vote:*

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

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None scheduled.

**COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR:**

3. **Resolution No. 22-06 - A Resolution of the City of Walnut Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$339,765.13, Demand No. 163740 through No. 163793, Both Inclusive**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 22-06.

**MOTION ON ITEM 3**

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

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

**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/Tragarz shared information from a San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments meeting.

C/Pacheco shared information from a Sanitation District meeting.

C/Freedman shared information from a Foothill Transit board meeting.

MPT/Wu shared information from a San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control meeting.

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

C/Freedman wished everyone a happy Lunar New Year, thanked CM/Wishner for his leadership throughout the years, and welcomed the new city manager.

M/Ching thanked the Sheriff’s department for their dedication to the city and invited everyone to attend the Lunar New Year event on February 19<sup>th</sup>. He introduced the new city manager, ACM/Weiner.

ACM/Weiner thanked Council for the opportunity to serve the community.

**COUNCIL LATE BUSINESS:** None.

**RECESS CITY COUNCIL TO THE WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING**



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

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR HOUSING AUTHORITY:**

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

**AUTHORITY PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None scheduled.

**AUTHORITY CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- 4. Resolution No. 22-01 WHA - A Resolution of the Walnut Housing Authority Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$80,680.79 Demand No. 100413 through No. 100414, Both Inclusive**

**Recommendation:** That the Authority adopt Resolution No. 22-01 WHA.

**MOTION ON ITEM 4**

***AM/Pacheco made a motion to adopt Item 4; seconded by AM/Tragarz. Motion carried by the following voice vote:***

**JANUARY 26, 2022 – CC**

**AYES: AUTHORITYMEMBERS: Ching, Freedman, Pacheco, Tragarz, Wu**  
**NOES: AUTHORITYMEMBERS: None**  
**ABSTAIN: AUTHORITYMEMBERS: None**  
**ABSENT: AUTHORITYMEMBERS: 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 8:16 p.m.

**PASSED AND APPROVED this 9th day of February 2022.**

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Eric Ching, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Teresa De Dios, City Clerk

PREPARED BY:

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Ray Markel, Administrative Assistant