

WALNUT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: C/Pacheco 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 Weiner; Assistant City Manager Rooney; Administrative Services Director Ogawa; City Attorney Leibold; Community Development Director Vasquez; Deputy Community Services Director Barcelo; Community Services Superintendent Bumia; Planning and Code Enforcement Manager Carlson; Senior Planner Guerra; Finance Analyst Meza; Management Analyst Ramos; Finance Analyst Brashear; Public Information Officer Maio; Administrative Assistant Markel and City Clerk De Dios.

INVOCATION – NON-DENOMINATIONAL: Pastor Him Djuhana from City Blessing Church led the invocation.

PRESENTATIONS:

- **Kaitlin Chheng – Walnut High School Choir – Recognized for being selected to participate in the Regional, All-State, and Western Division ACDA Honor Choirs**

Council recognized and congratulated Kaitlin Chheng for her achievements earned during the choir season.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL:

William Harrison commended Youth Advisory Commissioner Nicolas Hernandez and shared information regarding a meeting with local school districts regarding the lack of diversity amongst employees.

Vijay Vakil referenced comments made at a previous City Council meeting and stated that the mayor should apply the same standards for all speakers in regards to oral communications.

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

MINUTES

1. **Approval of the May 25, 2022 Special Meeting**
2. **Approval of the May 25, 2022 City Council Meeting**

MOTION ON ITEMS 1 & 2

C/Freedman made a motion to approve Items 1 & 2; seconded by C/Tragarz. Motion carried by the following voice vote:

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None scheduled.

ORDINANCE: None scheduled.

COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR:

Item 8 was pulled for discussion.

3. **Resolution No. 22-26 - A Resolution of the City of Walnut Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$816,920.76 Demand No. 164372 through No. 164443, Both Inclusive**

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 22-26.

4. **Resolution No. 22-27 – Walnut City Employee’s Association Classified & Permanent Part-Time 2022-2025 Memorandum of Understanding**

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 22-27 approving the Memorandum of Understanding for the Classified and Permanent Part-Time Unit of the Walnut City Employee’s Association for the period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025; and authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding.

5. Resolution No. 22-28 – The City of Walnut Personnel Rules and Regulations

Recommendation: That the City Council approve Resolution No. 22-28 amending the City of Walnut’s Personnel Rules and Regulations

6. Resolution No. 22-29 – Salary Schedules

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 22-29 approving the FY 2022-23 Salary Schedules for the Executive, Management, Classified, and Part-Time units.

7. Approve Agreement for Vendor Services between the City of Walnut and City of Brea (BreaIT)

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Approve Agreement for Vendor Services between the City of Walnut and City of Brea (BreaIT) 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 Agreement for Vendor Services 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.

9. Bingo Permit Application Submitted by the Walnut Senior Citizens Club and Request for Waiver

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Approve the bingo permit application submitted by the Walnut Senior Citizens Club for Fiscal Year 2022-23;
2. Waive any applicable facility use fees and insurance requirements;
3. Waive the bingo permit application fee and monthly gross receipts fees; and
4. Accept a bi-monthly donation of \$350.00

10. Notice of Decision – June 1, 2022 Planning Commission Meeting

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Receive and File the “Notice of Decision” by the Planning Commission at its June 1, 2022 Meeting, for the following project(s):
 - a. Amendment 1 to Site Plan Case/Architectural Review (SPC/AR) 2015-111 (Liu) – A proposal to amend a previously approved project in order to construct a detached, 504 square-foot, two (2) car garage and an over-height fence within the front-yard setback located at 833 Silver Valley Trail (APN: 8709-051-053)

11. Finding Continued Existence of Local Emergency (COVID-19)

Recommendation: That the City Council make the following findings:

1. The City Council has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency related to COVID-19; and
2. The state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members of the City Council, City Staff and the public to meet safely in person, and
3. Los Angeles County Department of Public Health officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing; and
4. Existing circumstances support the need to continue the local emergency (COVID-19) consistent with Resolution No. 20-25 Proclaiming Existence of a Local Emergency (COVID-19) adopted March 23, 2020 as amended by Resolution No. 20-32 adopted May 13, 2020.

MOTION ON ITEMS 3-7 & 9-11

C/Pacheco made a motion to adopt Items 3-7 & 9-11; 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*

ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION:

8. Approval of Plans and Specifications and Authorization to Advertise for Formal Bids for the Diversity Plaza and Appropriations of Grant Funds to the Creekside Park Project

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Approve the plans and specifications and authorize the City Engineer to advertise for formal bids for the Diversity Plaza – Creekside Park Project;
2. Authorize the City Engineer to review and approve the final plans and specifications;
3. Appropriate \$300,000 from ARPA Reserves (Fund 08) to the Creekside Park Project; and
4. Appropriate \$60,000 from Measure W Reserves (Fund 29) to the Infrastructure Project for the park storm drain upgrade.

DCSD/Barcelo provided a staff report.

Discussion took place amongst Council and staff regarding the project.

M/Ching opened public comment.

William Harrison thanked Council and staff for their efforts on the project.

MOTION ON ITEM 8

C/Pacheco made a motion to approve Item 8; 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/Pacheco shared information regarding a Sanitation District meeting.

B. Individual Members’ comments and updates

MPT/Wu encouraged the community to conserve water and wished all fathers a Happy Father’s Day.

C/Tragarz requested that Council adjourn the meeting in memory of resident Larry Howard. She also invited the community to attend upcoming summer events.

C/Freedman congratulated all of the recent graduates.

M/Ching shared information regarding a donation for Mackenzie Willis’ trip to the Special Olympics, thanked CM/Weiner for his dedication to the city and shared information from a public safety meeting held in the community.

COUNCIL LATE BUSINESS: None.

CLOSED SESSION: None scheduled.

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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the City Council adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m. in memory of Larry Howard.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 22nd day of June 2022.

Dr. Allen Wu, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Teresa De Dios, City Clerk

PREPARED BY:

Ray Markel, Administrative Assistant