

WALNUT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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

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

ROLL CALL:

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

Also present: City Manager Weiner; Assistant City Manager Rooney; Finance Director Ogawa; City Attorney Leibold; Community Development Director Vasquez; Deputy Community Services Director Barcelo; Administrative Services Manager Carlson; Community Services Superintendent Bumia; Planning and Code Enforcement Manager Guerra; Public Information Officer Maio; Administrative Assistant Markel, and City Clerk De Dios.

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

PRESENTATIONS:

- **Recognition of Deputy Dean of the Walnut Sheriff Station**

Council recognized Deputy Dean and thanked him for his service and dedication to the City of Walnut as a member of the sheriff's department.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL:

CC/De Dios read into the record an email from Wayne Breikreutz requesting that the Council not allow gated communities in the City.

Hassan Sassi stated that the United Walnut Taxpayers would like a representative on the Mayor's Advisory Commission.

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

MINUTES

1. Approval of the August 10, 2022 City Council Meeting
2. Approval of the August 24, 2022 City Council Meeting

MOTION ON ITEMS 1 & 2

C/Ching made a motion to approve Items 1 and 2; seconded by MPT/Tragarz. 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.

ORDINANCE: None scheduled.

COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR:

3. Resolution No. 22-46 - A Resolution of the City of Walnut Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$606,702.95 Demand No. 164931 through No. 165095, Both Inclusive Fiscal Year 2022-23

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 22-46.

4. Agreement for Vendor Services with PlayCore Wisconsin Inc., dba GameTime for \$100,195.44 for the Purchase and Installation of Playground Equipment for Heidelberg Park

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Approve the Agreement for Vendor Services with PlayCore Wisconsin Inc., dba GameTime in the amount of \$100,195.44 for the purchase and installation of playground equipment at Heidelberg Park; 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. Authorize staff to issue a Purchase Order to PlayCore Wisconsin Inc., dba GameTime in the amount of \$100,195.44.

5. 2022 Holiday Closures

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the cancellation of the November 23, 2022 and December 28, 2022 City Council meetings, and approve the closure of City facilities on December 27, 28, and 29, 2022 in observance of the Christmas holiday.

6. Mayor’s Committees

Recommendation: That the City Council file this informational report.

7. 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

C/Ching made a motion to approve Items 3-7; seconded by C/Freedman. 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

MPT/Tragarz shared information from a League of California Cities conference.

C/Freedman shared information from the League of California Cities conference and a Foothill Transit Governing Board meeting.

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M/Wu shared information from a Mosquito and Vector Control District meeting.

B. Individual Members' comments and updates

C/Freedman shared information from a Mt. San Antonio College groundbreaking ceremony for their beach volleyball facility and wildlife sanctuary.

C/Pacheco shared information from the Taste of Walnut event committee.

COUNCIL LATE BUSINESS: None.

CLOSED SESSION: None scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the City Council adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of September 2022.

Dr. Allen Wu, Mayor

ATTEST:

Teresa De Dios, City Clerk

PREPARED BY:

Ray Markel, Administrative Assistant