

**MINUTES OF THE
LAWNDALE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 21, 2016**

- A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL** – Mayor Pullen-Miles called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. in the City Hall council chamber, 14717 Burin Avenue, Lawndale, California.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Robert Pullen-Miles, Councilmember James H. Osborne, Councilmember Pat Kearney, Councilmember Daniel Reid
Councilmembers Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Larry Rudolph,
Other Attendees: City Clerk Bernadette Suarez, City Manager Stephen N. Mandoki, City Attorney Tiffany J. Israel, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Captain Steven Sciacca, Assistant City Clerk Pamela Giamario, Finance Director Kenneth Louie, Public Works Director/City Engineer Frank Senteno, Community Services Manager Mike Estes, and approximately 14 audience members

- B. CEREMONIALS** – Councilmember Kearney led the flag salute and Pastor Douglas Gates provided the inspiration.

- C. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT** – Captain Sciacca summarized recent law enforcement activities.

- D. ITEMS FROM CITY CLERK** – City Clerk Suarez reminded the public that March 28 would be the last day to register to vote for the April 12 city election.

- E. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

- Charmel Vega – invitation to participate in Prevent 5Kids event, parenting classes
- Don Gould, Lawndale Library – upcoming library events and classes
- Marco Sandoval – clean up day, youth day parade, election, appreciation for patrol checks in his neighborhood for speeders, inquiry about the city's speed trailer
- Marge Heinemann – neighbors being harassed
- Jose Padilla – development of the redevelopment agency's property

- F. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL** – The City Council responded generally to the comments, but did not refer any matters to staff or request placement of any issues on a future meeting agenda.

- G. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion to read by title only and waive further reading of all ordinances listed on the agenda. (Recommendation: that council approves.)

Allowing Flat Roofs in Residential Construction. (Recommendation: that the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 1121-16 eliminating the requirement for a sloped roof design for new habitable structures within the city's residential zones.)

Youth Soccer Program Referees. (Recommendation: that the City Council approve the agreement for youth soccer officiating services with Soccer South Bay Referee Association for a total amount not to exceed \$23,244 for up to three years of service.)

Replacement of the Cable Television Video Production Van. (Recommendation: that the City Council approve the Contract Services Agreement for Mobile Video Production Van Project Consulting with Darren P. Doerschel in an amount not to exceed \$14,250.)

Councilmember Absence. (Recommendation: that the City Council excuse Mayor Pro Tem Rudolph's absence from the March 7, 2016 meeting.)

Beautification Committee Re-Appointments. (Recommendation: that Mayor Pullen-Miles appoints Ms. Karen Escamilla and Mr. Cesar Jaime to the Beautification Committee, and 2) the City Council confirms the appointments by adopting Resolution No. CC-1603-015.)

Accounts Payable Register. (Recommendation: that the City Council adopts Resolution No. CC-1603-013, authorizing the payment of certain claims and demands in the amount of \$192,399.66.)

Minutes of the Lawndale City Council Meetings – February 16 and 25, and March 7, 2016. (Recommendation: that council approves.)

City Manager Mandoki and Community Development Manager Banner responded to Councilmember Kearney's comments regarding Ordinance No. 1121-16 and the consulting contract with Darren Doerschel.

A motion by Councilmember Reid to approve the consent calendar was seconded by Councilmember Kearney and carried by a vote of 4-0 following the reading of the title of Ordinance No. 1121-16. (Mayor Pro Tem Rudolph was absent.)

H. ADMINISTRATION

9. **Honoring Exemplary Service to the Community.** Community Services Manager Estes presented the new council policy that would create the Wall of Distinction in the community center to posthumously honor persons who had performed exceptional service to the city while a resident of the city. Information about honorees would be inscribed on plaques to be installed on the third floor. The policy would establish a nomination and selection process. Councilmember Osborne inquired about the size of the plaques and security. In the public comment period, Marco Sandoval received clarification about the plaques.

A motion by Councilmember Reid to approve the Lawndale Wall of Distinction Program, Council Policy No. 101-16 and Resolution No. CC-1603-014 was seconded by Councilmember Kearney and carried unanimously. (Mayor Pro Tem Rudolph was absent.)

10. **Flooding at City Hall.** Public Works Director Frank Senteno provided the status of the remediation work for the water damaged facility. Preventative measures to inspect the plumbing and replace fixtures would not be covered by the city's insurance. The emergency repairs were ordered without formal bidding as authorized by Resolution No. CC-1603-012. Mr. Senteno recommended that council approve a resolution to declare the continuance of the emergency condition. Councilmember Osborne requested information about the total cost of all repairs.

Councilmember Reid moved to adopt Resolution No. CC-1603-016 declaring that emergency conditions remain and approving the work necessary to make repairs to City Hall without notice for bids pursuant to California Public Contract Code sections 1102, 20168 and 22050, Councilmember Kearney seconded the motion which carried by a vote of 4-0. (Mayor Pro Tem Rudolph was absent.)

Councilmember Kearney's motion to appropriate general fund reserves in the amount of \$6,275 to cover the cost of uninsured repairs was seconded by Councilmember Reid carried by a vote of 4-0. (Mayor Pro Tem Rudolph was absent.)

I. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT – none

J. ITEMS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

11. Councilmember Report of Attendance at Meetings and/or Events – see below

Councilmembers Osborne, Reid and Kearney attended and commented about Cleanup Day. Councilmembers Kearney and Reid and Mayor Pullen-Miles attended a board of realtors meet and greet. Mayor Pullen-Miles attended an event at Los Angeles Air Force Base where he was installed as an honorary commander, and discussed the importance of retaining the base. Councilmember Kearney provided an update on Mayor Pro Tem Rudolph's condition and encouraged people to stay in touch with him and his family.

K. CLOSED SESSION

12. Public Employee Performance Evaluation - The City Council held a closed session, pursuant to Government Code section 54957(b), to conduct an employee evaluation concerning the city manager. City Attorney Israel reported that council was updated, no action was taken.

L. ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business to conduct, the mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Robert Pullen-Miles, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bernadette Suarez, City Clerk

Prepared by: Pamela L. Giamario, Asst. City Clerk

Approved: April 4, 2016
Date