

CITY OF ARTESIA
ARTESIA CITY HALL, ARTESIA COUNCIL CHAMBERS
18747 CLARKDALE AVENUE, ARTESIA, CA 90701

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ARTESIA

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2021
7:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Artesia City Council was called to order at 7:02 p.m., on Monday, February 8, 2021 at Various Teleconference Locations by Mayor Trevino. The Invocation was presented by Mayor Trevino. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso.

Present: Rene Trevino, Mayor
Melissa Ramoso, Mayor Pro Tem
Ali Taj, Councilmember
Tony Lima, Councilmember – arrived at 7:05 pm
Monica Manalo, Councilmember

Also Present: William Rawlings, City Manager
Hong Dao Nguyen, City Attorney
Ernesto Sanchez, City Clerk

MEETING PROCEDURES

THE CITY CLERK READ THE MEETING PROCEDURES AS FOLLOWS:

As a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, states of emergency have been declared in the County of Los Angeles and the state of California. The President of the United States has declared a federal emergency. At the direction of the Governor, starting March 19, 2020, the entire state is subject to stay-at-home orders. These measures are imposed to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19. To comply with these emergency measures, the City Council meeting will be open and public but conducted via teleconference only. This way the public, the staff, and the Council will not be physically in the same place. The City is endeavoring to employ technology that will allow the public to view the meeting live and participate. Public comment must be submitted by email to publiccomments@cityofartesia.us or by voicemail to (562) 865-6262, extension 200. Submissions should be limited to 300 words or less, and must be received prior to the posted start time of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA TO APPROVE THE AGENDA

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Manalo, Lima, Taj, Ramoso, Trevino
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: The Agenda was approved without objection 5-0-0-0.

ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENTS

The City Clerk presented the Announcement Regarding Public Comments, and reported that one public comments was received.

Public comment from Jonathan Hawes Sanchez was read.

City Clerk reported that another public comment was received for Item No. 5.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Manalo provided comments.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments.

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATION

1. 2021 BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROCLAMATION

Mayor Trevino proclaimed the month of February 2021 as Black History Month.

CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEM NOS. 2-11)

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso pulled Item No. 7,8 and 11 for discussion.

Mayor Trevino pulled Item No. 5 for public comment.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR WITH EXCEPTION OF ITEM NOS. 5, 7, 8 and 11.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ.

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Manalo, Lima, Taj, Ramoso, Trevino
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Consent Calendar was approved without objection 5-0-0-0.

ITEM NO. 5. WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

Public comment from Juan Lopez was read into the record.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ TO APPROVED THEM ITEM

MOTION SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM RAMOSO

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Manalo, Lima, Taj, Ramoso, Trevino
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 5 was approved without objection 5-0-0-0.

ITEM NO. 7 WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

City Manager provided a Staff Report.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments regarding item.

Councilmember Manalo provided comments regarding item.

Councilmember Lima provided comments regarding item.

Councilmember Taj provided comments regarding item.

Mayor Trevino provided comments regarding item.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM RAMOSO TO APPROVE ITEM NO. 7

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Manalo, Lima, Taj, Ramoso, Trevino
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 7 was approved without objection 5-0-0-0.

ITEM NO. 8 WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments regarding item.

Councilmember Manalo provided comments regarding item.

Councilmember Lima provided comments regarding item.

Councilmember Taj provided comments regarding item.

Mayor Trevino provided comments regarding item.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM RAMOSO TO APPROVE ITEM NO. 8

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MANALO

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Manalo, Lima, Taj, Ramoso, Trevino
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 8 was approved without objection 5-0-0-0.

ITEM NO. 11 WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

City Manager provided a Staff Report.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramos provided comments.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM RAMOSO TO APPROVE ITEM NO. 11.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MANALO

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Manalo, Lima, Taj, Ramoso, Trevino
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 11 was approved without objection 5-0-0-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 12. PUBLIC HEARING, CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PLANNING DEPARTMENT CASE NO. 2020-15 (ZONING CODE AMENDMENT REGARDING ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS); AND

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2020-909 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ARTESIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE ARTESIA MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING

ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT REGULATIONS, AND MAKING A DETERMINATION OF EXEMPTION UNDER CEQA

Public comment from Juan Lopez was read into the record.

City Manager provided a Staff Report.

Mayor Trevino opened the Public Hearing.

City Clerk announced that there were no additional public comments received.

Mayor Trevino closed the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Manalo provided comments and asked questions regarding item.

City Manager answered questions regarding item.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments regarding item.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA TO APPROVE CASE NO. 2021-15 AND INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 20-909, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ARTESIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE ARTESIA MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT REGULATIONS, AND MAKING A DETERMINATION OF EXEMPTION UNDER CEQA

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MANALO

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Manalo, Lima, Taj, Ramoso, Trevino
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 12 was approved without objection 5-0-0-0.

DISCUSSION

13. COUNCILMEMBER APPOINTMENTS TO ARTESIA BEAUTIFICATION AND MAINTENANCE COMMISSION AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Mayor Trevino provided a Staff Report

Councilmember Lima appointed Huldah Prudhome to the Planning Commission.

COUNCILMEMBER/STAFF INFORMATIONAL REPORTING

14. COUNCILMEMBER'S REPORTING ON EXTERNAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS ATTENDED

Councilmember Manalo reported that she attended an Artesia Friends of the Library committee meeting.

Councilmember Lima reported that he attended a Council of Government's (COG) meeting.

Councilmember Taj reported that he attended an Eco-Rapid Transit meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso reported that she attended a Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District meeting.

Mayor Trevino reported that he attended Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board ratification meeting and Southeastern Los Angeles County Workforce Development Board (SELACO).

15. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED AT PUBLIC EXPENSE

Councilmember Manalo reported that she did not attend any meetings at the expense of the public.

Councilmember Lima reported that he did not attend any meetings at the expense of the public.

Councilmember Taj reported that he did not attend any meetings at the expense of the public.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso reported that she did not attend any meetings at the expense of the public.

Mayor Trevino reported that he did not attend any meetings at the expense of the public.

16. CITY MANAGER INFORMATION BRIEF

City Manager provided Informational Brief.

Mayor Trevino provided comments.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Manalo provided comments.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trevino adjourned the meeting at 8:18 pm to next regular meeting of the Artesia City Council on March 8, 2021.