

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

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ARTESIA CITY COUNCIL

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

The Regular Meeting of the Artesia City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, March 8, 2021 at Various Teleconference Locations by Mayor Trevino. The Invocation was led by Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Lima.

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PRESENT: Monica Manalo, Councilmember
Tony Lima, Councilmember
Ali Taj, Councilmember
Melissa Ramoso, Mayor Pro Tem
Rene Trevino, Mayor

ALSO PRESENT: William Rawlings, City Manager
Hongdao 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. 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 and Trevino
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

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

ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENTS

City Clerk presented the Announcement Regarding Public Comments.

Hamid Mansoor provided public comments.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Manalo provided comments.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments.

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATION

1. 2021 WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH PROCLAMATION

Mayor Trevino presented 2021 Women's History Month Proclamation.

Sue Verwey, President of the Artesia-Cerritos Women's Club, accepted Proclamation and provided comments.

BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

2. ARTESIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE

Chris Craig, Executive Director of the Artesia Chamber of Commerce, presented an Artesia Chamber of Commerce Update.

Councilmember Manalo provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments.

3. LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERRIFF'S DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Sergeant Tom Maese, of the Los Angeles County Sherriff's Department, presented a Los Angeles County Sherriff's Department Update.

Councilmember Manalo provided comments.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEM NO. 4 - 17)

Councilmember Manalo pulled Item No. 15 for discussion.

Councilmember Lima pulled Item Nos. 8, 9 and 10 for discussion.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso pulled Item Nos. 11, 13, 14, and 16 for discussion.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ITEM NOS. 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, and 16.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ.

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

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

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

ITEM NO. 15 WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

Councilmember Manalo provided comments and asked questions regarding item.

City Manager answered questions regarding item.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MANALO TO RECEIVE AND FILE ITEM NO.15.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ.

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

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

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 15 was received and filed without objections 5-0-0-0.

ITEM NO. 8 WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

Councilmember Lima provided comments and asked questions regarding item.

City Manager answered questions regarding item No. 8 and item No. 9.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA TO APPROVE ITEM NO.8.

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 and Trevino
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item no. 8 was approved without objections 5-0-0-0.

ITEM NO. 9 WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA TO APPROVE ITEM NO.9.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MANALO.

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

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

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 9 was approved without objections 5-0-0-0.

ITEM NO. 11 WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

City Manager provided Staff Report.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments.

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

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA.

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

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

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

ITEM NO. 13 WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

City Manager answered questions regarding item.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments.

Councilmember Manalo provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM RAMOSO TO RECEIVE AND FILE ITEM NO.13.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA.

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

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

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 13 was received and filed without objections 5-0-0-0.

ITEM NO. 14 WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

City Manager provided Staff Report.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM RAMOSO TO RECEIVE AND FILE ITEM NO.14.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MANALO.

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

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

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 14 was received and filed without objections 5-0-0-0.

ITEM NO. 16 WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

City Manager provided Staff Report.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments.

City Manager provided comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments.

Councilmember Manalo provided comments.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM RAMOSO TO RECEIVE AND FILE ITEM NO.16.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ.

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

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

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 16 was received and filed without objections 5-0-0-0.

ITEM NO. 10 WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso left meeting.

Councilmember Lima provides comments and asked questions regarding item.

City Manager answered questions regarding item.

Councilmember Lima provided additional comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA TO APPROVE ITEM NO.10.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MANLO.

Said motion carried (4-0-1-0) in the following roll call vote:

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

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 16 was approved without objections 4-0-1-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso returned to meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

18. APPROVAL OF PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT FOR ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY FOR THE A.J. PADEFORD PARK EXPANSION PROJECT

City Manager provided Staff Report.

Councilmember Manalo provided comments.

Councilmember Lima asked questions regarding item.

City Manager answered questions regarding item.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Councilmember Taj asked questions regarding item.

City Manager answered questions regarding item.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments and asked questions regarding item.

City Manager asked questions regarding item.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided additional comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA TO APPROVE ITEM NO.18.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ.

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

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

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 18 was approved without objections 5-0-0-0.

19. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARTESIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING APPLICATIONS FOR THE STATEWIDE PARK DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS

City Manager provided Staff Report.

Councilmember Manalo provided comments.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso provided comments.

Mayor Trevino provided comments.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MANALO TO APPROVE ITEM NO.19.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA.

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

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

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item No. 19 was approved without objections 5-0-0-0.

20. COUNCILMEMBER APPOINTMENTS TO ARTESIA PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION AND BEAUTIFICATION AND MAINTENANCE COMMISSION

Councilmember Taj appointed Gia Kahn to the Beautification and Maintenance Commission.

Mayor Trevino appointed Natalie Garcia to the Public Safety Commission.

COUNCILMEMBER/STAFF INFORMATIONAL REPORTING

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

Councilmember Manalo reported that she attended an Artesia Chamber of Commerce Luncheon and a meeting with Congresswoman Linda Sanchez.

Councilmember Lima reported on Gateway Cities Council of Governments meeting.

Councilmember Taj reported on Eco Rapid Transit meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso reported on Los Angeles County Vector Control meeting.

Mayor Trevino reported on Southeast Los Angeles County Workforce Development Board meeting.

22. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED AT PUBLIC EXPENSE

Councilmember Manalo reported that she attended a California Contract Cities Association meeting.

Councilmember Lima reported that he did not attend any meetings.

Councilmember Taj reported that he did not attend any meetings.

Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso reported that she did not attend any meetings.

Mayor Trevino reported that he did not attend any meetings.

23. CITY MANAGER INFORMATION BRIEF

City Manager provided Information Brief.

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 Regular Meeting at 10:01 p.m.in memory of Mary Nieto Dupuy.