

MINUTES

CUDAHY CITY COUNCIL REGUAR MEETING and CITY OF CUDAHY AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY and HOUSING SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CUDAHY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION JOINT MEETING

January 4, 2022 6:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor / Chair Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Council / Agency Member Jack M. Guerrero left meeting at 8:25 p.m.
Council / Agency Member Daisy Lomelí
Vice Mayor / Vice Chair Elizabeth Alcantar
Mayor / Chair Jose R. Gonzalez

ABSENT: Council / Agency Member Blanca Lozoya

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager, Alfonso Noyola, City Attorney, Victor Ponto, Deputy
City Attorney Stephanie Arechiga, City Clerk, Richard Iglesias, and
Management Analyst, Andres Rangel.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Lomelí.

4. PRESENTATIONS

A. Mayor's State of the City Address 2021

B. Proclamation presented to Kimberly Morales Johnson the Tribal Secretary of the
Gabrieleño-Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians

Council Member Lomelí motioned to move item 4B to a future meeting, seconded by
Mayor Gonzalez. Motion passed 3-0-1 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lomelí, Alcantar, and Gonzalez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Lozoya

ABSTAIN: Guerrero

5. CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS – NONE

6. CLOSED SESSION – NONE

7. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT – NONE

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS – NONE

9. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS / REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Guerrero reminded everyone of the 2022 California Ballot Initiative called the Education Freedom Act which will create an education saving rollover account for each child for parents can pursue education for their children at the best schools of their choice. Also commented against the city selling a property at 1.18 million against a 4 million dollar appraised value and mentioned the Isais Cervantes incident and the criminal charges filed against him. He requested for the Isais Cervantes item on the agenda today be postpone and consider a resolution.

Vice Mayor Alcantar motioned to amend the agenda moving item 16A after item 15A, seconded by Council Member Guerrero. Motion passed 4-0-1 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Guerrero, Lomelí, Alcantar, and Gonzalez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Lozoya
ABSTAIN: None

Council Member Lomelí wished everyone a Happy New Year, spoke against Council Member Guerrero's comments on standardized test and stated standardized test are not the answer since we have diverse students that are just not going to do well on test but does not mean they are any less, also mentioned there is a lot of work to do with all the funding coming in to improve the City and is willing to work and connect with the community.

Vice-Mayor Alcantar mentioned she would like to see a townhall update from the Sheriff on the Isaias Cervantes incident, commented on over 400 kits received from representative Hahn's office passed out to the community, and stated we are in the highest point of the pandemic.

Mayor Gonzalez wished everyone a Happy New Year and thanked everyone for joining the meeting today.

10. CITY MANAGER REPORT (information only)

11. REPORTS REGARDING AD HOC, ADVISORY, STANDING OR OTHER COMMITTEE MEETINGS – NONE

12. WAIVER OF FULL READING OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Motion: Council Member Lomelí motioned to waive full reading of resolutions and ordinances, seconded by Vice Mayor Alcantar. Motion passed 3-0-1 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lomelí, Alcantar, and Gonzalez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Lozoya
ABSTAIN: Guerrero

13. CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Guerrero requested to pull Consent Calendar items 13A – 13D together and item 13E, for separate consideration.

A. Approval of the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) for the Month of October 2021

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to approve the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) Report for the month of October 2021 in the amount of \$11,186,967.11.

B. Approval of the City Demands and Payroll Including Cash and Investment Report for the Month of October 2021

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to approve the Demands and Payroll in the amount of \$904,357.58 including Cash and Investment Report by Fund for the month of October 2021.

C. Approval of the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) for the Month of November 2021

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to approve the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) Report for the month of November 2021 in the amount of \$11,186,967.11.

D. Approval of the City Demands and Payroll Including Cash and Investment Report for the Month of November 2021

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to approve the Demands and Payroll in the amount of \$1,133,143.60 including Cash and Investment Report by Fund for the month of November, 2021.

Vice Mayor Alcantar motioned to approve Consent Calendar items 13A – 13D, seconded by Council Member Lomelí. Motion passed 3-1-1 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lomelí, Alcantar, and Gonzalez
NOES: Guerrero
ABSENT: Lozoya
ABSTAIN: None

E. Consideration to Review and Approve the Draft Minutes of December 7, 2021, for the Regular Meeting of the City Council and the Joint Meeting of the City of Cudahy as Successor Agency and Housing Successor Agency to the Cudahy Development Commission

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to review and approve the City Council / Successor Agency Draft Minutes for December 7, 2021.

Council Member Lomelí motioned to approve the Draft Minutes of December 7, 2021, for the Regular Meeting of the City Council and the Joint Meeting of the City of Cudahy as Successor Agency and Housing Successor Agency to the Cudahy Development Commission, seconded by Vice Mayor Alcantar. Motion passed 3-1-1 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lomelí, Alcantar, and Gonzalez
NOES: Guerrero
ABSENT: Lozoya
ABSTAIN: None

14. PUBLIC HEARING

- A.** A Public Hearing to Consider and Adopt Resolution No. 21-52 of the City of Cudahy City Council Approving Projects / Programs to the City Council for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding During the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23

Presented by the CDBG Consultant

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to Adopt Resolution No. CDAB 21-52, recommending Projects/Programs to the City Council for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Mayor Gonzalez opened public comment.

Public Comments:

Susie de Santiago stated she does not agree with the allocations and mentioned it is not helping the community specially when the majority of the funding is going to Code Enforcement compared to the amount going to Single Housing Rehab program. Also mentioned the business assistance is to help 16 businesses which she has not seen businesses being helped and regarding graffiti she believes the amount needs to be lower and allocation should be more focus to benefit the community.

Mayor Gonzalez closed public comment.

Vice Mayor Alcantar motioned to Adopt Resolution No. CDAB 21-52, recommending Projects/Programs to the City Council for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and include quarterly progress updates on the grants as a City Council items and website, seconded by Mayor Gonzalez. Motion passed 3-1-1 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lomelí, Alcantar, and Gonzalez
NOES: Guerrero
ABSENT: Lozoya
ABSTAIN: None

15. BUSINESS SESSION

- A. Adoption of Proposed Resolution No. 21-53 Acknowledging the Gabrieleño-Tongva Peoples' ties to the Los Angeles Basin Region and Instating a Land Acknowledgement Statement to be Included on all City Council Meeting Agendas and to be Read at all City Council Meetings

Presented by the City Attorney's Office

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to adopt Resolution No. 21-53 acknowledging the Gabrieleño-Tongva Peoples' ties to the Los Angeles Basin and instating a land acknowledgement statement to be included on all City Council Meeting agendas to be read at all City Council Meetings.

Council Member Lomelí motioned to adopt Resolution No. 21-53 acknowledging the Gabrieleño-Tongva Peoples' ties to the Los Angeles Basin and instating a land acknowledgement statement to be included on all City Council Meeting agendas to be read at all City Council Meetings, seconded by Vice Mayor Alcantar. Motion passed 3-0-1 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lomelí, Alcantar, and Gonzalez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Lozoya
ABSTAIN: Guerrero

16. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

- A. Council Member Guerrero
i. Latest development regarding the Isaias Cervantes Incident

COUNCIL MEMBER GUERRERO LEFT THE MEETING AT 8:25 P.M.

- B. City Council Reorganization - Selection of Mayor and Vice Mayor for a One-Year Term

Presented by the City Clerk

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Select a Mayor and Vice Mayor for a one-year term; and
2. Receive presentations for the outgoing Mayor and Vice Mayor.

Mayor Gonzalez nominated Vice Mayor Alcantar as Mayor for a one-year term. Motion passed 3-0-2 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lomelí, Alcantar, and Gonzalez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Lozoya and Guerrero
ABSTAIN: None

Vice Mayor Alcantar nominated Mayor Gonzalez as Vice Mayor for a one-year term. Motion passed 3-0-2 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lomelí, Alcantar, and Gonzalez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Lozoya and Guerrero
ABSTAIN: None

C. Annual Council Member Appointments to Serve on Various Committees

Presented by the City Clerk

Recommendation: The City Council is requested to consider appointing a delegate and an alternate member to the various committees (See Attachment A).

Mayor Alcantar motioned to keep the committees the same with the exception of the two boards the Mayor sits on (Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 1 and Los Angeles County City Selection Committee) and add Council Member Lomelí as alternate, seconded by Vice Mayor Gonzalez. Motion passed 3-0-2 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lomelí, Alcantar, and Gonzalez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Lozoya and Guerrero
ABSTAIN: None

Southeast Regional Forum

Delegate – Vice Mayor Gonzalez Alternate – Council Member Lozoya

California Contract Cities Association (CCCA)

Delegate – Vice Mayor Gonzalez Alternate – Mayor Alcantar

Gateway Cities Council of Governments Board of Directors

Delegate – Mayor Alcantar Alternate – Vice Mayor Gonzalez

Gateway Cities Council of Governments I-710 EIS/EIR Project Committee

Delegate – Vice Mayor Gonzalez Alternate – Mayor Alcantar

Hub Cities Consortium

Delegate – Mayor Alcantar Alternate – Vice Mayor Gonzalez

League of California Cities

Delegate – Council Member Lomelí Alternate – Mayor Alcantar

League of California Cities Los Angeles Division (City Selection Committee)

Delegate - Council Member Lomeli Alternate – Council Member Lozoya

Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 1

Delegate – Mayor Alcantar (mayor serves as delegate)

Alternate – Council Member Lomeli

Eco Rapid Transit Committee

Delegate – Vice Mayor Gonzalez Alternate – Mayor Alcantar

Southern California Association of Governments

Delegate - Council Member Lomeli Alternate – Mayor Alcantar

Los Angeles County City Selection Committee

Delegate – Mayor Alcantar (mayor serves as delegate)

Alternate – Council Member Lomeli

California Cities For Self-Reliance Joint Powers Authority (JPA)

Delegate – Vice Mayor Gonzalez Alternate – Council Member Lomeli

17. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council / Agency meeting was adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Elizabeth Alcantar
Mayor

ATTEST:

Richard Iglesias
City Clerk