

**CITY OF MURRIETA
1 TOWN SQUARE
MURRIETA, CA**



**Tuesday, January 16, 2024
4:45 PM CLOSED SESSION
6:00 PM REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

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**Lori Stone
Mayor**

**Cindy Warren
Mayor Pro Tem**

**Lisa DeForest
Council Member**

**Jon Levell
Council Member**

**Ron Holliday
Council Member**

**Kim Summers, City Manager
Tiffany Israel, City Attorney
Cristal McDonald, City Clerk**

**MURRIETA CITY COUNCIL (CC)
MURRIETA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT (CSD)
MURRIETA FIRE DISTRICT (FD)
MURRIETA LIBRARY BOARD (LB)
MURRIETA REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY (RSA)
MURRIETA HOUSING AUTHORITY (HA)
MURRIETA FINANCING AUTHORITY (FA)**

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4:45 PM CLOSED SESSION

CALL TO ORDER 4:48 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Lisa DeForest
Council Member Jon Levell
Council Member Ron Holliday
Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Warren
Mayor Lori Stone

PUBLIC COMMENTS - CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY None

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

City Clerk Cristal McDonald announced the following Closed Session items:

CS1. Conference with Real Property Negotiator
The City Council will conduct a closed session, pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8, to enable the City Council to consider negotiations and to give direction to its negotiators regarding that certain real property, at the corner of Murrieta Hot Springs Road & Sparkman Court, Murrieta, CA, APN 901-031-011 and -020 with the property's owners. The City's real property negotiators, the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, Development Services Director, and City Attorney, will seek direction from the City Council regarding the price and terms for this property.

CS2 - Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

CS11. The City Council will conduct a closed session, pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with legal counsel regarding 10 litigation cases to which the City is a party. The title of such litigations are as follows:

Public Employment Relations Board Unfair Practice Charge No. LA-CE-1689-M

Procko v Murrieta; Case Number 5:22-cv-00005-JGB-SP; District Court of the Southern District of California.

Southern California Edison v. California State Board of Equalization, et al.; Case Numbers 30-2022-01258058-CU-MC-CJC and 30-2023-01328329-CU-MC-CXC; Orange County Superior Court.

Borel v. City of Murrieta; Case Number RIC2002687; Riverside County Superior Court.

City of San Diego, et al v. Invitation Homes; Case Number 22-CV-00260; District Court of the Southern District of California.

City of Murrieta v. Campini; Case Number CVSW2302498; Riverside County Superior Court.

California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, Order No. R9-2010-0016, 11-TC-03.

Lynton v. City of Murrieta.; Case Number CVSW2303589; Riverside County Superior Court.

Mechaca v. City of Murrieta.; Case Number CVSW2304666; Riverside County Superior Court.

Collier v. City of Murrieta.; Case Number CVSW2306720; Riverside County Superior Court.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION 4:50 PM

6:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER 6:04 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Lisa DeForest
Council Member Jon Levell
Council Member Ron Holliday
Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Warren
Mayor Lori Stone

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTION

City Attorney Tiffany Israel: No reportable action on Closed Session Item No. CS1. No reportable action on Closed Session Items No. CS2-CS11.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Pastor Phil Valdez, Passion Life Church

INVOCATION Pastor Phil Valdez, Passion Life Church

PRESENTATIONS

Western Riverside Council of Governments I-REN

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action: It was moved by Council Member Holliday, seconded by Council Member DeForest to approve the Agenda for January 16, 2024.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: DeForest, Levell, Holliday, Warren, Stone
Noes: None

CITY MANAGER - ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

City Manager Kim Summers provided the following updates/announcements:

- Development Services Director, David Chantarangsu, provided an update on the Murrieta Hot Springs Resort.
- Library Manager, Melvin Racelis, provided an update on Library grants.
- Acting Public Information Officer, Cristina Davies, provided a Community Events Update.

GOVERNING BODY COMMISSION/COMMITTEE/BOARD (CCB) REPORTS

Council Member DeForest: Provided attendance/reported the following:

- Presented the City with a wooden American Flag to honor Public Safety

Council Member Holliday: Provided attendance/reported the following:

- Regional Conservation Authority
- 2024 Goal Setting Workshop
- Western Riverside Council of Governments

Mayor Pro Tem Warren: Provided attendance/reported the following:

- Riverside County Transportation Commission
- 2024 Goal Setting Workshop

PUBLIC COMMENTS (NON-AGENDA)

Aimee Edgeworth: Spoke on the history of the Pearl Center for Cultural Arts and a Murrieta Train Project.

Faye Wons: Spoke in opposition to the complaint made by Michelle Nalaboff from Tiffany & Nalaboff Investigations at the December 19, 2023, meeting.

Ashley Hutchinson: Spoke on traffic and speeding concerns on Washington Street.

Andrew Roble: Spoke on behalf of the family of Rosie Diaz, thanked the City for the support. Andrew inquired about safety measures.

CONSENT CALENDAR - APPROVAL OF ITEMS 1 – 5

Action: It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Warren, seconded by Council Member Holliday to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1-5.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: DeForest, Levell, Holliday, Warren, Stone
 Noes: None

1. Waive Reading of All Ordinance Adoptions on the Agenda and Read by Title Only

Recommended Action:

Waive reading, by title only, of all Ordinances and Resolutions. Said Ordinances and Resolutions which appear on the public agenda shall be determined to have been read by title and further reading waived.

2. Minutes

Recommended Action:

Approve the minutes of the December 19, 2023, City Council Regular Meeting.

- 3. Check Register November 2023

Recommended Action:

Adopt a Resolution 24-4721 entitled: *A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Murrieta, California, Ratifying the Check Register for the Month of November 2023 in the amount of \$3,651,372.19 (Check Numbers 157008-157497).*

- 4. Monthly Investment Transaction Report for November 2023

Recommended Action:

Receive and file the Monthly Investment Transaction Report for November 2023.

- 5. 2024 City Council Meeting Schedule

Recommended Action:

Adopt the proposed 2024 City Council Meeting Schedule.

PULLED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 6. Formation of Landscaping and Lighting District No. 31 Willow Springs - Public Hearing

Staff report by Parks and Community Services Manager Lea Kolek. City Consultants from Willdan Financial, Michelle Lassie and Daniel Louie were available to answer questions from the City Council.

The public hearing was opened at 6:50 p.m.

Written Correspondence:

None

Public Testimony:

None

The public hearing was closed at 6:52 p.m.

City Clerk McDonald tabulated the results of the submitted ballots. The City Clerk announced 20 “Yes” votes were received; followed by a later corrected tabulated total of 22 due to the City Clerk misspeaking.

Action: After discussion, it was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Warren, seconded by Council Member Levell to:

Adopt Resolution No 24-4722 entitled: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Murrieta, California, Ordering the Formation of Landscaping and Lighting District No. 31 (Willow Springs) and the Concurrent Annexation and Consolidation of Said District into the Murrieta Consolidated Landscaping and Lighting District; Confirming the

Diagram and Assessment; and Providing for Annual Levy and Assessments Commencing in Fiscal Year 2024/2025.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: DeForest, Levell, Holliday, Warren, Stone
Noes: None
Absent: None

- 7. Continuation of Urgency Ordinance Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65858 Prohibiting the Establishment of Medical Cannabis Delivery Businesses for an Additional 45 Days, to Include an Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act

Staff report by Development Services Director David Chantarangsu.

The public hearing was opened at 7:00 p.m.

Public Testimony:
None

The public hearing was closed at 7:00 p.m.

Action: After discussion, it was moved by Council Member DeForest, seconded by Council Member Holliday to:

Waive full reading and adopt by four-fifths vote Interim Urgency Ordinance No. U-601-24 (Attachment 1), entitled: *An Interim Urgency Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Murrieta, California, Extending Urgency Ordinance No. U-600-23 Which Instituted A 45-Day Temporary Moratorium on the Establishment or Expansion of Medical Marijuana Dispensaries or Facilities and Mobile Medical Marijuana Dispensaries Within City Limits for an Additional Ten Months and Fifteen Days, Declaring the Urgency Thereof, and Finding An Exemption Under the California Environmental Quality Act* extending for ten months and fifteen days the temporary moratorium prohibiting medical marijuana facilities and mobile medical marijuana dispensaries within City limits, as read by title only;

Find that Interim Urgency Ordinance No. U-601-24 is exempt from CEQA; and

Direct staff to continue to study appropriate modifications to the Murrieta Municipal Code to mitigate the conditions outlined in this staff report and Section 2 of the Urgency Ordinance arising from developing, maintaining, and expanding medical marijuana facilities and mobile medical marijuana dispensaries. The Development Services Director is further directed to report back to the City Council with his findings at least 10 days prior to the expiration of this ordinance.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: DeForest, Levell, Holliday, Warren, Stone
Noes: None
Absent: None

DISCUSSION

8. City Council Subcommittees and Appointment of City Affiliated Boards and Commissions

Staff report and PowerPoint presentation provided by City Clerk Cristal McDonald.

Public Comment:

None

Action: After review and discussion, it was moved by Council Member Holliday, seconded by Council Member DeForest to:

Reaffirm or update the current City Council Subcommittees and City Affiliated Agencies/Organizations as needed; and

Appoint delegates/representatives and alternates to the City Council Subcommittees and City Affiliated Agencies/Organizations.

City Council Subcommittees

- Commission Appointments [Ad-hoc]:
 - Council Member DeForest, Delegate
 - Council Member Holliday, Alt.
- Homelessness Services [Ad-hoc]:
 - Mayor Stone, Delegate
 - Council Member Levell, Alt.
- Legislative Workgroup [Standing]: After discussion, the City Council amended the composition of the Legislative Workgroup to four members as follows:
 - State Representation – two members
 - Mayor Stone, State Delegate
 - Mayor Pro Tem Warren, State Alt.
 - Federal Representation – two members
 - Council Member DeForest, Federal Delegate
 - Council Member Levell, Federal Alt.

City Affiliated Agencies/Organizations

- Animal Control Joint Powers Authority:
 - Council Member Levell, Delegate
 - Council Member DeForest, Alt.
- City Selection Committee (LAFCO):
 - Council Member Holliday, Delegate
 - Council Member DeForest, Alt.

- League of California Cities
 - Mayor Stone, Delegate
 - Mayor Pro Tem Warren, Alt.

- Regional Conservation Authority (RCA):
 - Council Member Holliday, Delegate
 - Mayor Stone, Alt.

- Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency (RCHCA):
 - Council Member DeForest, Delegate
 - Council Member Levell, Alt.

- Riverside County Transportation Commission Board (RCTC):
 - Mayor Pro Tem Warren, Delegate
 - Mayor Stone, Alt.

- Riverside Transit Agency (RTA):
 - Mayor Pro Tem Warren, Delegate
 - Mayor Stone, Alt.

- Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG):
 - Council Member Levell, Delegate
 - Mayor Stone, Alt.

- Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG):
 - Council Member DeForest, Delegate
 - Council Member Holliday, Alt.

Miscellaneous City Affiliated Organizations

- Southwest Riverside County Elected Leaders Collaborative:
The City Council confirmed the name change from Southwest Riverside County Women’s Elected Leaders Collaborative to Southwest Riverside County Elected Leaders Collaborative and amended the purpose to include traffic and transportation issues.
 - Mayor Stone, Delegate
 - Council Member Holliday, Delegate

- Student of the Month:
The City Council determined the Mayor would continue to represent and Council Members may attend as available. The City Clerk was directed to remove this group from the list of Miscellaneous City Affiliated Organizations as this is an informal partnership that does not require formal appointment.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: DeForest, Levell, Holliday, Warren, Stone
Noes: None
Absent: None

GOVERNING BODY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member DeForest, Council Member Levell, Council Member Holliday, Mayor Pro Tem Warren, and Mayor Stone provided their Governing Body Announcements to be made part of the City's record.

COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS

Council Member DeForest: None

Council Member Levell: None

Council Member Holliday: None

Mayor Pro Tem Warren: None

Mayor Stone: Requested a discussion to cover E-Bike safety measures.
City Manager Kim Summers confirmed that a presentation covering E-Bike safety measures is taking place at the upcoming City Council meeting.

Consensus was received to bring this item back as a Presentation.

ADJOURNMENT 7:48 PM

In memoriam of Rosie Diaz.

Cristal McDonald, City Clerk