



## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL AND HOUSING AUTHORITY MARCH 5, 2024 – MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER** –The Closed Session meeting was called to order by Mayor Stephens at 4:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Chavez, Council Member Gameros, Council Member Harper, Council Member Reynolds, and Mayor Stephens.

Absent: Council Member Marr and Mayor Pro Tem Harlan.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Steve Cederquist spoke on Closed Session Item No. 5 regarding 1963 Wallace Ave.

Dennis D'Alessio spoke on Closed Session Item No. 5 regarding 1963 Wallace Ave.

Steve Sheldon spoke on Closed Session Item No. 5 regarding 1963 Wallace Ave.

Cynthia McDonald spoke on Closed Session Item No. 7 regarding 1683 Sunflower Ave.

### CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

1. Public Employment, Workers' Compensation Claim,  
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (b)(1);  
WCAB NO. ADJ17419798, ADJ14891865, ADJ14891868, ADJ14889339
2. Public Employment, Workers' Compensation Claim,  
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (b)(1);  
WCAB NO. ADJ1196410, ADJ14117564, ADJ15123770
3. Public Employment, Workers' Compensation Claim,  
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (b)(1);  
WCAB NO. ADJ13298729, ADJ13298728, ADJ13602725
4. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**  
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9, (d)(1)  
Name of Case: Tippett v. City of Costa Mesa  
Orange County Superior Court, Case No. 30-2022-01243684-CU-PO-NJC

**5. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION-ONE CASE**

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)  
Name of Case: City of Costa Mesa v. D'Alessio; 1963 Wallace Ave.  
Orange County Superior Court Case No. 30-2020-01133479

**6. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATION OF LITIGATION - ONE CASE**

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2), Potential Litigation.

**7. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR**

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8  
APN:139-031-62,139-651-14  
Property:1683 Sunflower Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92626  
Agency Negotiator: Lori Ann Farrell Harrison, City Manager  
Negotiating Parties: Brent Stoll, Rose Equities  
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

City Council recessed at 4:14 p.m. for Closed Session.

Closed Session adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER** –The Regular City Council and Housing Authority meeting was called to order by Mayor Stephens at 6:00 p.m.

**NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

St. John the Baptist School Choir

**MOMENT OF SOLEMN EXPRESSION**

Pastor Matthew Hambrick, Costa Mesa First United Methodist Church

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Council Member Chavez, Council Member Gameros, Council Member Harper, Council Member Marr, Council Member Reynolds, Mayor Pro Tem Harlan, and Mayor Stephens.

Absent: None.

**CITY ATTORNEY CLOSED SESSION REPORT** – No reportable action.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

The Mayor recognized the Estancia High School Girls' Soccer Team CIF Southern Section Division 5 Champions.

The Mayor recognized the Newport Harbor Boys' Soccer Team CIF Southern Section Division 2 Champions.

The Mayor presented a proclamation to Dede Wilson, President of the Costa Mesa Women's Club in honor of Women's History Month.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS – MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

Flo Martin, thanked Jennifer Rosales and Brett Atencio Thomas for their work to make streets safe.

Aaron McCall spoke on the death of Dolores Pliego, and on prioritizing safer streets for biking and walkability.

Ida Wolf requested an ice machine at the Senior Center.

Speaker, requested assistance on compliance issues for the recovery house on Joann Street.

Speaker, spoke on issues with street vendors and food trucks in the community.

Jim Fitzpatrick requested the removal of the badge fee for cannabis businesses.

Edward Coleman, spoke on protesting the bid on Consent Calendar Item No. 5.

Priscilla Rocco spoke on public commenters and listening to the public.

Cynthia McDonald, Costa Mesa, spoke on the Fairview Developmental Center outreach plan.

## **COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS, COMMENTS, AND SUGGESTIONS**

Council Member Marr spoke on attending the Taylor Elizabeth Clifford Memorial Grand Prix, requested an ice machine for the Senior Center, requested staff research the calls for service at the house on Joann Street, and spoke on data collection on street safety.

Council Member Reynolds thanked the 5th grade students at Wilson Elementary School, spoke on attending a conference on improving walkability and safety in the City, spoke on pedestrian safety and implementing solutions more quickly, and spoke on the City of Hoboken being 8 years with no pedestrian deaths.

Council Member Chavez spoke on the importance of voting, spoke on implementing measures for street safety, requested an ice machine at the Senior Center, requested reviewing the badge fees for cannabis businesses, requested enforcement for street vendors and expressed concern for sidewalks being blocked by street vendors, spoke on revisiting the Orange County Power Authority, thanked the Costa Mesa Police Department for their fast response, and spoke on funding more youth organizations.

Council Member Gamos requested information on the ice machine at the Senior Center, spoke on enforcement of street vendors and food trucks, spoke on badge fees for cannabis businesses and the public receiving tax information requested, and spoke on attending the Fairview Developmental Center meeting and community outreach.

Council Member Harper spoke on the ice machine at the Senior Center, spoke on enforcement of street vendors and food trucks, and spoke on Jake Knapp winning the Mexico Open.

Mayor Pro Tem Harlan spoke on voting, spoke on the Fairview Developmental Center meeting and community outreach, requested an update on the status of the field lights at Kaiser Elementary, and congratulated Jake Knapp for winning the Mexico Open.

Mayor Stephens congratulated Jake Knapp for winning the Mexico Open, spoke on participating in the Love Costa Mesa Clean-up Day, praised first responders, congratulated Deputy Police Chief Joyce LaPointe for winning the District 73 Woman of the Year Award, congratulated CMTV for an A rating on transparency, spoke on cannabis tax revenues and requested staff bring back badge fees for cannabis businesses, and also the first-time homebuyers program, requested staff bring forward an e-bike ordinance, requested data on street vendors and enforcement, and spoke on adjourning in memory of Glen Stroud.

**REPORT – CITY MANAGER – NONE.**

**REPORT – CITY ATTORNEY –** Ms. Hall Barlow spoke on the presentations at the beginning of the meeting.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**MOVED/SECOND:** Council Member Chavez/Mayor Pro Tem Harlan

**MOTION:** Approve the Consent Calendar except for Item No. 5.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Member Chavez, Council Member Gameros, Council Member Harper, Council Member Marr, Council Member Reynolds, Mayor Pro Tem Harlan, and Mayor Stephens.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: Council Member Gameros recused himself on item 3 the Warrant Resolution due to his wife working at Priceless Pets.

Motion carried: 7-0

**1. PROCEDURAL WAIVER: WAIVE THE FULL READING OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**ACTION:**

City Council and Housing Authority approved the reading by title only and waived full reading of Ordinances and Resolutions.

**2. READING FOLDER**

**ACTION:**

City Council received and filed Claims received by the City Clerk: Enrique Acevez.

**3. ADOPTION OF WARRANT RESOLUTION**

Council Member Gameros recused himself on this item due to his wife working for Priceless Pets.

**ACTION:**

City Council approved Warrant Resolution No. 2712.

**4. AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF CELLEBRITE INC. MOBILE DEVICE FORENSIC EXTRACTION SOLUTION WITH CARAHSOFT TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION**

**ACTION:**

1. City Council authorized the use of OMNIA Partners' Cooperative Agreement No. R191902 with Carahsoft Technology Corporation for the purchase of Cellebrite Inc. mobile device forensic extraction solution.
2. Authorized the purchase of Cellebrite Inc. mobile device forensic extraction solution under the awarded Organized Retail Theft Prevention (ORT) Grant through OMNIA Partners' Cooperative Agreement No. R191902 with Carahsoft Technology Corporation in the amount of \$128,760.27.

**6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STREET CLOSURES FOR THE 2024 ORANGE COUNTY MARATHON RUNNING FESTIVAL**

**ACTION:**

City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-09, designating event routes for the 2024 Orange County (OC) Marathon Running Festival and approving the temporary street closures for May 4, 2024 and May 5, 2024, as requested for the 2024 OC Marathon Running Festival.

**ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**

**5. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT CATEGORY 6A (CAT6A) STRUCTURED CABLING AND VERKADA CAMERA INSTALLATION WITH NETXPPTS**

**Public Comments:**

Edward Coleman spoke on his protest of the item.

**MOVED/SECOND:** Mayor Stephens/Council Member Chavez

**MOTION:** Continue the item.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Member Chavez, Council Member Gameros, Council Member Harper, Council Member Marr, Council Member Reynolds, Mayor Pro Tem Harlan, and Mayor Stephens.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion carried: 7-0

**ACTION:**

City Council continued the item.

-----**END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**-----

**PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.**

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE.**

**NEW BUSINESS: NONE.**

**ADDITIONAL COUNCIL/BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS, COMMENTS, AND SUGGESTIONS – NONE.**

**ADJOURNMENT** – Mayor Stephens adjourned the meeting at 7:41 p.m. in memory of Glen Stroud.

**Minutes adopted on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024.**



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John Stephens, Mayor

ATTEST:



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Brenda Green, City Clerk