

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA
HELD THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2020**

Mayor Weintraub called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom Teleconference.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Bozajian and Councilmembers Gaines, Maurer and Shapiro
Absent: None
Others: Heather Renschler

CLOSED SESSION

1. Public Employee Appointment - City Manager

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m. to a regular meeting scheduled on Wednesday, September 23, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

Maricela Hernandez, City Clerk
Master Municipal Clerk
California Professional Municipal Clerk

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA
HELD WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2020**

Mayor Weintraub called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. via Zoom Teleconferencing.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Bozajian, Councilmembers Gaines, Maurer and Shapiro

Absent: None

Staff: Ahlers, Bartlett, Bingham, Haber, Hernandez, Klein, Melton, Russo, Summers, Taylor and Yalda

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Weintraub.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Gaines moved, seconded by Councilmember Shapiro to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Bozajian, Councilmembers Gaines, Maurer and Shapiro

Mr. Summers reported that the City Council met in Closed Session prior to this meeting and that there are no reportable actions.

PRESENTATIONS

- Recognition of Communications Department staff for receiving various National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA) awards

Mayor Weintraub and Councilmembers congratulated the Communications Department on their outstanding achievements.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the Council made the following announcements:

Mayor pro Tem Bozajian:

- Expressed his disappointment regarding the theft of a historical marker previously located on the Old Topanga Canyon Road.

Councilmember Gaines:

- Extended an invitation to the MYC Young Voter Night on October 1.
- Reminded everyone that ballots will be mailed the week of October 5.
- The City's Voter Information Guide will be mailed on September 24.
- The City's Candidates Forum will be held on September 29.
- Encouraged everyone to support local businesses.
- Wished everyone a sweet and happy New Year.

City Clerk Ms. Hernandez:

- The City will be hosting a Flex Vote Center at the Senior Center on October 27, from 10 am to 2 pm.

Councilmember Shapiro:

- Wished everyone a happy and prosperous New Year.
- Extended an invitation to the MYC Young Voters Night on October 1.
- The MYC is having their first annual Voter Registration drive competition September 8-22 between Calabasas High School and Viewpoint. The winning school will be announced during the CHS Assembly on September 25.
- Congratulated CHS students, Quynh-Anh Nguyen and Jeremy White, who were named National Merit Semifinalists for their outstanding PSAT exam scores.
- Extended an invitation to the Calabasas Film Festival scheduled September 23-27.
- Extended an invitation to the Film Festival's Drive-In at King Gillette Ranch on September 25.

Mayor Weintraub:

- Reminded everyone to have an emergency kit ready in case of an earthquake.

Councilmember Maurer:

- Reiterated the importance of having an emergency bag ready.
- Expressed her condolences for the firefighter who lost his life in the El Dorado Fire.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Citron spoke during public comment.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of minutes from September 9 and September 14, 2020

2. Adoption of Resolution No. 2020-1700, recognizing October as Bullying Prevention Awareness Month
3. Adoption of Resolution No. 2020-1702, to modify Resolution Nos. 2017-1558, 2018-1596, and 2019-1639 to include City Council Compensation
4. Adoption of Resolution No. 2020-1701, approving the City's participation in the Los Angeles County Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) Program by accepting \$60,596 in grant funding to be used towards short or long term preservation of affordable housing
5. Adoption of Resolution No. 2020-1703, reaffirming and extending the existence of a Local State of Emergency due to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19 Pandemic

Councilmember Shapiro requested Consent Item No. 2 be pulled.

Mayor pro Tem Bozajian requested Consent Item No. 3 be pulled.

Councilmember Gaines moved, seconded by Councilmember Shapiro to approve Consent Item Nos. 1, 4 and 5. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Bozajian, Councilmembers Maurer, Gaines and Shapiro

After discussion, Mayor pro Tem Bozajian moved, seconded by Councilmember Gaines to approve Consent Item Nos. 2 and 3. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Bozajian, Councilmembers Maurer, Gaines and Shapiro

CONTINUED BUSINESS

6. Valmar Medians Landscaping options for Council consideration and approval of a General Fund budget adjustment

Mr. Yalda and Ms. Melton presented the report.

Suzanne Scranton spoke on Item No. 6.

Councilmember Shapiro moved, seconded by Councilmember Gaines to

approve Item No. 6 with Option B. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 by Roll Call Vote as follows:

AYES: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Bozajian, Councilmembers Gaines, Maurer and Shapiro

7. City Council position on Measure J; Community Investment and Alternatives to incarceration minimum County Budget Allocation (Measure J Ballot Title)

Mr. Taylor presented the report.

Corine Ho and Laura Coholan spoke on Item No. 7

No Action taken on this item.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Discussion and direction to staff on whether to join other jurisdictions with a reward contribution not to exceed \$10,000 for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the individual(s) responsible for the recent ambush of two Sheriff Deputies

Mr. Taylor presented the report.

No Action taken on this item.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

9. Check Register for the period of August 28-September 8, 2020

No action taken on this item.

TASK FORCE REPORTS

Councilmember Maurer reported Councilmember Gaines and she met with the Tree People and MRT to discuss the construction of the new bridge, which is expected to be completed the second week of October. She also reported her participation in a meeting with the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.

Councilmember Shapiro reported his participation in various meetings of the MYC. Further, he participated in the first virtual Valley Economic Alliance job fair. Lastly, he reported his attendance to a SCAG Legislative Committee meeting.

Mayor Weintraub reported her participation in a COG meeting to discuss

housing legislation. She also reported her attendance to a SCAG Transportation Committee meeting.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Ms. Haber announced that the City has organized several activities that will allow the community to safely celebrate Halloween.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. to the next regular scheduled meeting of Wednesday, October 14, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

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