

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA
HELD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2022**

Mayor Maurer called the Closed Session to order at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom Teleconferencing.

1. Conference with Real Property Negotiator
(Gov't Code §54956.8)
Property Address: 27040 Malibu Hills Rd., Calabasas, CA 91301
Agency Negotiator: Kindon Meik, City Manager
Negotiating Party: City of Agoura Hills
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

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

Mayor Maurer called the Open Session to order at 7:04 p.m. via Zoom Teleconferencing.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

Staff: Bingham, Hernandez, Klein, McConville, Meik, Mendoza and Summers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Assistant Fire Chief Drew Smith.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Summers reported that the City Council met in Closed Session prior to this meeting and there were no reportable actions. The Closed Session will resume after tonight's meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

- Fire Department update

Assistant Fire Chief Drew Smith presented an update.

- Rotary Club – Neighbors in Need Status Report

Dr. Manny Fernandez presented a report on Assistance Grants Program.

Kathleen Sterling spoke during Rotary’s presentation.

- CPA update on time of use rate

Karen Schmidt presented an update on Residential Time of Use Rates.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the Council made the following announcements:

Mayor pro Tem Shapiro

- The Calabasas Caring Food Drive begins February 7-28. Food Donations will be accepted at the Calabasas Senior Center. More information available on the City’s website.
- Acknowledged the two-year anniversary of the devastating helicopter crash in Calabasas and the two-year anniversary of the first Covid-19 diagnosis in California.
- Wished everyone an early Happy Valentine’s Day.

Councilmember Weintraub

- Echoed Mayor pro Tem Shapiro’s sentiments as she remembered all the victims of the helicopter crash.

Councilmember Kraut

- Shared that the Gibbs Environmental Award will be presented to Senator Fran Pavley on February 1.

Mayor Maurer

- Shared that the results of the Climate Vulnerability Survey conducted by the Malibu Foundation in 2021 will be released during a public forum on February 8.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT

1. Approval of January 12, 2022
2. Adoption of Resolution No. 2022-1772, reaffirming and extending the existence of a Local State of Emergency due to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19 Pandemic
3. Recommendation to award a four-year Professional Services Agreement to Absolute Tree & Brush for annual weed abatement/fuel reduction maintenance for fire safety within the Landscape Maintenance District (LMD), Landscape Lighting Act Districts (LLADs), City of Calabasas Parcels, Parks and Open Space within the City of Calabasas in the amount not to exceed \$2,105,100 plus annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) increases
4. Annual report to the City Council regarding the rental registration program Councilmember Bozajian requested that Consent Item No. 4 be pulled.

Mayor pro Tem Shapiro moved, seconded by Councilmember Weintraub to approve Consent Item Nos. 1-3. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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

After discussion, Councilmember Weintraub moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Shapiro to approve Consent Item No. 4. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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

Tom Bartlett addressed the City Council regarding Item No. 4.

PUBLIC HEARING

5. Review and approval of projects for the 48th Program Year (2022-2023) – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding; and Adoption of Resolution No. 2022-1771 approving the CDBG 48th Program Year (2022-2023)

Mayor Maurer opened the public hearing.

Mayor Maurer closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Weintraub moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Shapiro to approve Item No. 5. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 by Roll Call Vote as follows:

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

OLD BUSINESS

6. Council direction on Strategic Priorities and 2022-2023 Work Plan

Mr. Kindon and Mr. McConville presented the report.

Michael Russo and Don Penman spoke on this item.

Council provided direction to staff.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

7. Check Register for the period of December 28, 2021-January 12, 2022

No action taken on this Item.

TASK FORCE REPORTS

Mayor pro Tem Shapiro reported that Councilmember Kraut and he met as a Budget Committee with staff to discuss the City's unfunded pension liabilities. He also reported his participation in the SCAG Legislative Committee meeting to discuss the state's priorities and Governor's budget. Lastly, he attended a Valley Economic Alliance board meeting.

Councilmember Kraut recognized Eagle Scout Candidate Dove Jacob Metz for doing great job restoring Paramount Ranch.

Dove Jacob Metz addressed the City Council.

Mayor Maurer reported her participation in a Santa Monica Conservancy meeting regarding Governor Newsom's California's 30x30 Initiative.

Councilmember Weintraub reported her participation in a COG meeting where Councilmember Bozajian provided an update on Redistricting.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

None.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Maurer reported that the future agenda items list now includes informational items.

ADJOURN

The City Council recessed to Closed Session at 9:01 p.m.

Mayor Maurer called the Closed Session to order at 9:05 p.m. via Zoom Teleconferencing.

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There were no reportable actions on the Closed Session.

The City Council adjourned at 9:15 p.m. to a regular meeting scheduled on Wednesday, February 9, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

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