

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA
HELD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023**

Mayor Shapiro called the Closed Session to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Conference Room, 100 Civic Center Way, Calabasas, CA.

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

Absent: None

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Gov. Code § 54957.6)
City Negotiator: Kindon Meik, City Manager
Employees: All Unrepresented Employees
2. Conference with Legal Counsel; Existing Litigation
(Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))
Case name: Westin v. City of Calabasas, et al. Central District of California
Case No. CV22-3788-VBF(DFM)
3. Conference with Legal Counsel; Existing Litigation (Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))
Case Name: THNC Canyon Oaks LLC v. City of Calabasas, et al., Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 21STCP01819; related to Building Industry Association of Southern California v. City of Calabasas, et al., Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 21STCP02726

Mayor Shapiro called the Open Session to order at 7:03 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 100 Civic Center Way, Calabasas, CA.

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

Absent: None

Staff: Ahlers, Green, Hernandez, Klein, McConville, Meik, Mendoza, Summers and Yalda

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by John Mueller

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

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 on Item Nos. 1 and 2. He stated that Item No. 3 would be continued to a future meeting.

EMERGENCY ITEM

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY REGARDING SEVERE WINTER STORM - ADDED PER GOV. CODE SECTION 54954.2 AND 54956.5

Recommended Action: Adopt Declaration of Emergency and direct staff to take all necessary actions to respond to emergency

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub moved, seconded by Councilmember Kraut to add the Declaration of Emergency regarding severe winter storms to the agenda. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub moved, seconded by Councilmember Albrecht to approve the Declaration of Emergency. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

PRESENTATIONS

➤ By the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control

Dr. Maria Sabio-Solacito and Bradley Kim made a presentation to the City Council.

Rebecca Arviza and Susan Ellis spoke on this presentation.

➤ Sheriff's Crime Report – October and November 2022

Deputy Mason De Matteo presented the report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the Council made the following announcements:

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub:

- Thanked Luis Hernandez and his team for going above and beyond to keep the roads safe during the storms.

Councilmember Bozajian:

- Reported his attendance to the CCAC Sacramento Legislative Tour.
- Stated that the Calabasas Chamber of Commerce is hosting an Installation Gala & Casino Night on January 28 at the Country Club. He also shared that Kathleen Sterling would be the recipient of the Spirit of Calabasas award.

Councilmember Albrecht:

- Thanked Public Works Department staff for doing a terrific job during the storms.

Mayor Shapiro:

- Welcomed Councilmember Albrecht to the Dais.
- Thanked the Public Works Department for keeping the roads clear.
- Wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year.
- Congratulated the CHS girls and boys Basketball and Soccer teams for their wins.
- Congratulated Chaparral Elementary School for being recognized as a 2023 California Distinguished School.
- Thanked staff for doing a great job organizing the Council's Reorganization and hosting the Valley Economic Alliance 28th Annual Board meeting installation.
- Reminded that applications to the Mayor's Youth Council are due by January 23.
- Read a quote in remembrance of Dr. Martin Luther King.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Beth Jagtiani and Jacy Shillan spoke during public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration and approval of appointments to the Arts Council, Communications & Technology, Environmental, Historic Preservation, Parks, Recreation & Education, Planning, Public Safety, Traffic & Transportation Commissions, and the Agoura Hills/Calabasas Community Center
 - a. Communications & Technology Commission for terms expiring November 2024: Michael Brockman (Albrecht); Candice Weber (Bozajian); David

Goldwater (Kraut); and Richard Sherman (Shapiro);

- b. Environmental Commission for terms expiring November 2024: Luresa Byrne (Albrecht); David Cohan (Bozajian); Jacy Shillan (Kraut); and Beth Jagtiani (Weintraub);
 - c. Historic Preservation Commission for terms expiring November 2024: Justin Ford (Bozajian); and Mark Silverman (Kraut);
 - d. Parks, Recreation and Education Commission for terms expiring November 2024: Anita McQuillan (Albrecht); and Stephanie Williams (Shapiro);
 - e. Planning Commission for terms expiring November 2024: Greg Byrne (Albrecht); Michael Harrison (Bozajian); Robert Lia (Kraut); Wendy Fassberg (Shapiro); Dennis Washburn (Weintraub); and John Mueller, Alternate (Council);
 - f. Public Safety Commission for terms expiring November 2024: Sharon Boucher (Albrecht); Jeffrey Piraino (Bozajian); Joe Chilco (Kraut); Brian Cameron (Shapiro); Matt Slatoff (Weintraub) and Norma Citron (CERP);
 - g. Traffic and Transportation Commission for terms expiring November 2024: Mike Pashai (Albrecht); Richard Cassel (Bozajian); and Peter Valk (Kraut);
 - h. Agoura Hills/Calabasas Community Center for terms expiring November 2023: Lucy Martin and Jerry Viner; John Suwara (alternate)
2. Oath of Office to appointed Commissioners

Mayor Shapiro administered the Oath of Office to appointed Commissioners

CONSENT ITEMS

- 3. Approval of November 9, December 7 and December 14, 2022 meeting minutes
- 4. Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1833, authorizing continued remote teleconference meetings of the Calabasas City Commissions pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)
- 5. Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1834, reaffirming and extending the existence of a local state of emergency due to the Novel Corona Virus Covid-19 pandemic

6. Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1832, rescinding Resolution No. 2021-1711 and approving an hourly wage range schedule for hourly employees
7. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between West Basin Municipal Water Department and City of Calabasas regarding Proposition 1 Round 2 Integrated Regional Water Management Grant Program
8. Recommendation to approve amendment No. 1 to the Funding Agreement between the City of Calabasas and Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO) increasing the funding amount for the Mulholland Highway Gap Closure - Old Topanga Canyon Road to City limits (Phase II) Project to Eight Million Five Hundred Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars (\$8,500,585)
9. Authorization to approve Amendment No. 2 for additional funding in the amount of \$125,000, and the extension of the term date of the existing Professional Services Agreement with Secural Security Corporation
10. Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1835, updating Citywide Fee Schedule
11. Investment Report for quarter ending December 31, 2022
12. Authorization to approve Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Cooksey's Lifeguard and Swim Academy, LLC, which will extend the duration of the contract until September 1, 2023 and increase the not to exceed amount to \$200,000

In regard to Consent Item No. 5, Councilmember Bozajian inquired about the status of Commissions returning to in-person meetings. Mr. Summers replied that Commission meetings may continue via Zoom under Assembly Bill 361. Mr. Meik added that the last time the Council discussed this matter, it was agreed to not hold hybrid Commission meetings due to the staff time and resources involved. Councilmember Bozajian requested a future agenda item to address the matter. Mayor pro Tem Weintraub requested that a survey go out to Commissioners asking for meeting preference. Mayor Shapiro added that Planning Commission should be considered for hybrid meetings.

After discussion Councilmember Bozajian moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Weintraub to approve Consent Item Nos. 3-12. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

NEW BUSINESS-CONTINUED

13. Council liaisons/external committee appointments.

Council Liaisons:

Budget Taskforce

Shapiro – Kraut

Commission Procedures/Council Protocols

Bozajian – Kraut

Economic Development

Albrecht – Weintraub

Public Safety/Emergency Preparedness Taskforce

Shapiro – Weintraub

Open Space/Annexations Liaisons

Bozajian – Kraut

School Site Liaisons

Shapiro – Weintraub

Homeless Taskforce

Weintraub – Kraut

Wireless Service Taskforce

Weintraub – Shapiro

Sustainability Taskforce

Shapiro – Albrecht

External Committees:

Agoura Hills/Calabasas Community Center Joint Powers Authority Board

Bozajian – Kraut

Calabasas Chamber of Commerce

Albrecht – Bozajian

California Contract Cities Association

Bozajian – Albrecht (alternate)

California Joint Powers Insurance Authority
Bozajian – Albrecht (alternate)

Clean Power Alliance
Shapiro – Albrecht and McConville (alternates)
Headwaters Corner Interpretive Center Board of Directors
Kraut – Albrecht

Las Virgenes – Malibu Council of Governments
Weintraub – Shapiro

League of California Cities
Bozajian – Kraut

Los Angeles County City Selection Committee
Mayor or designee

Los Angeles County West Vector & Vector-Borne Disease Control District
Bozajian

Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Advisory Board
Kraut – Albrecht alternate)

Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)
Shapiro – Weintraub (alternate)

The Valley Economic Alliance
Shapiro – Albrecht (alternate)

Valley Industry Commerce Association (VICA)
Shapiro – Kraut (alternate)

Councilmember Bozajian moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Weintraub to approve Council Liaisons and External Committees appointments. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

14. Check Register for the period of October 29-December 29, 2022

No action taken on this item.

TASK FORCE REPORTS

Councilmember Bozajian reiterated that the Calabasas Chamber of Commerce is hosting an Installation Gala & Casino Night on January 28. Additionally, he reported his attendance to the CCAC Sacramento Legislative Tour.

Mayor Shapiro reported he will be attending the Our Region – Our Future Summit for the Valley Economic Alliance on January 12. Additionally, he reported his participation in VICA 73rd Annual meeting as well as several SCAG meetings.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Meik thanked Council for acknowledging staff’s hard work during the storms and approving the Declaration of Emergency. Additionally, he extended an invitation to Councilmembers, HOA boards and neighborhood associations to a public safety presentation hosted by the City and the Lost Hills Sheriff’s representatives on February 2.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Bozajian requested a status update regarding the airport noise issues as well as an update on Federal Legislation. Mayor Shapiro supported this request. Councilmember Bozajian also requested staff to conduct an analysis to be provided to the community regarding the recent increases in gas bills. Mayor pro Tem Weintraub supported the request. Lastly, Councilmember Bozajian requested the Public Safety Commission review the Sheriff’s existing contract and make recommendations for to request additional services. Mayor pro Tem Weintraub seconded the request.

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub requested that SCE provide an update regarding the infrastructure improvements in the community as there has been multiple outages recently. Councilmember Kraut seconded the request and requested that staff submit a public records request on outage information. Councilmember Bozajian also supported the request and asked to add issues regarding outage noticing. Councilmember Albrecht also supported the request.

Councilmember Albrecht would like to review the Commissions and how they can better improve, be more functional and meet the City’s needs. Mayor Shapiro seconded the request.

ADJOURN

The City Council adjourned at 8:33 p.m. to a regular meeting scheduled on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

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