

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA
HELD WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 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 Legal Counsel; Anticipated Litigation
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) & (e)(1)
A point has been reached where, in the opinion of the City Council, on the advice of its legal counsel, based on the below-described existing facts and circumstances, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the City. Facts and circumstances that might result in litigation but which the City believes are not yet known to potential plaintiff or plaintiffs. (Gov. Code § 54956.9(e)(1))
Number of Potential Cases: [1]
2. Conference with Legal Counsel; Existing Litigation
(Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))
Case Names: 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
3. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Gov. Code § 54957.6)
City Negotiator: Kindon Meik, City Manager
Employees: All Unrepresented Employees

Mayor Shapiro called the Open Session to order at 7:08 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: Dyer, Hernandez, Holden, Lockwood, Meik, Mendoza, Russo and Summers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Girl Scout Troop 3256.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Shapiro stated that the Fire Department update would be considered at a future meeting.

Councilmember Kraut moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Weintraub to approve the agenda with modifications. 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 and addressed Item Nos. 2-3, and there were no reportable actions. He stated that Item No. 1 was deferred to the May 26 Special meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

- Recognition of Robert Yalda for his services as Public Works Director/City Engineer

The City Council expressed appreciation to Mr. Yalda for his service and dedication to the City.

Marcey Verity-Viner, Terry Dipple, Maureen Tamuri and Dennis Washburn spoke on this presentation.

Mr. Yalda expressed his joy and thankfulness to have served the City.

- Recognition of Calabasas High School student, Aryan Jain for winning a Southern California Edison scholarship

The City Council congratulated Aryan Jain for winning the SCE scholarship.

Andrew Thomas spoke on this presentation.

Aryan Jain expressed appreciation to SCE, the City Council and his family for their support.

- Recognition of recent graduates from the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program

Mayor Shapiro congratulated Viviana Calderon, Mike Schrage, Patti Mardell, Javin Reed, Steve Sokol, Scott Wimmer, Brad and Dolly Wiseman.

- Proclamation recognizing ALS Awareness Month

Mayor Shapiro read Proclamation in recognition of ALS Awareness Month.

Sheri Strahl spoke on this presentation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the Council made the following announcements:

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub:

- Shared that the Fentanyl, Drug and Overdose Reversal Awareness event hosted by the MYC had an amazing turnout and expressed appreciation to Mari Hernandez for working with the MYC to coordinate this event together.
- Congratulated graduating class of 2023.

Councilmember Albrecht:

- Expressed how valuable the MYC is for the community and praised them for doing a great job organizing the Fentanyl, Drug and Overdose Reversal Awareness event.
- Reported his attendance to the CCCA Annual Municipal Seminar along with Mr. Meik and Councilmember Bozajian.
- Congratulated Steve Bravadero for his hard work and dedication at the annual Wine Festival.

Councilmember Kraut:

- Thanked Mayor Shapiro and Mayor pro Tem Weintraub for the Naloxone kit.
- Extended an invitation to Rock the District Fundraiser hosted by THE Foundation at Sagebrush Cantina on June 3 and encouraged everyone to visit rockthedistrict.org for sponsorship information.

Mayor Shapiro:

- Extended an invitation to the CHS Choir grand finale concert on May 25.
- Shared that tickets are now on sale for the 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular.
- Extended an invitation to the Memorial Day event at the Veterans Garden on May 26 and wished everyone a wonderful Memorial Day weekend.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Levinson, Maxine Strauss, Dennis Washburn, Priscilla Lee, Asha Patel and John Suwara spoke during public comment.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of May 10, 2023 meeting minutes
2. Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1853 to establish transportation impact thresholds
3. Consider a letter opposing SB 423, a modification and expansion of SB 35 provisions that allow certain multifamily housing development to take advantage of a streamlined, ministerial approval process.
4. Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1848 to include a list of projects funded by Senate Bill 1 (The Road Repair Accountability Act) to the Fiscal Year 2023-24 budget for the Capital Improvement Program

Councilmember Kraut requested Item No. 2 be pulled from Consent.

Councilmember Bozajian requested Item No. 3 be pulled from Consent.

Mayor Shapiro requested Item No. 4 be pulled from Consent.

Ms. Holden addressed the City Council regarding Consent Item Nos. 2 and 4.

Mr. Meik addressed the City Council regarding Consent Item No. 4.

Councilmember Kraut moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Weintraub to approve Consent Item Nos. 1, 3 and 4 further noting that the letter opposing SB 423 be reviewed for the latest information from California Contract Cities Association as of May 24. Consent Item No. 2 was tabled to a future meeting as a non-consent item. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

NEW BUSINESS

5. Public meeting regarding Landscape Maintenance District No. 22 and Landscape Lighting Act District Nos. 22, 24, 27 and 32 Assessment Proceedings

No action taken on this item.

The meeting recessed at 8:40 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 8:51 p.m.

6. Approve updated City of Calabasas Emergency Operations Plan

Mr. Dyer presented the report.

Norm Goodkin, Joe Chilco, Kim Egerstrom, Brian Cameron and John Suwara spoke during public comment.

Mayor Shapiro moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Weintraub to approve the Calabasas Emergency Operations Plan. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

7. Library report and Council direction on library operations

Ms. Lockwood presented the report.

The City Council provided direction to staff.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

8. Check Register for the period of April 29-May 12, 2023

No action taken on this item.

TASK FORCE REPORTS

Councilmember Albrecht reported his upcoming attendance to a CPA meeting. Additionally, he reported he met with Mayor pro Tem Weintraub and staff as part of the Economic Development Committee to discuss cannabis.

Councilmember Kraut reported he attended the Wildlife Crossing tour with the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath. Additionally, he reported he attended a North Santa Monica Watershed presentation at the LVMWD, the Calabasas Chamber of Commerce annual Wine Festival, a Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy meeting and a Budget Committee meeting. Lastly, he reported that Councilmember Bozajian and he conducted a walk-thru of the AHCCC to review the condition of the facility and its assets.

Councilmember Bozajian reported he visited the AHCCC to determine what needs to be kept and what needs to be discarded. Additionally, he reported that Councilmember Albrecht, Mr. Meik and he attended the California Contract Cities Association Annual Municipal Seminar.

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub reported that she attended a COG meeting and an Economic Development Committee meeting.

Mayor Shapiro reported he attended a SCAG Legislative Committee meeting and will be attending a Valley Economic Alliance Board meeting. He also reported that Mayor pro Tem Weintraub and he attended a PFC meeting. Additionally, he reported he attended an assembly at Chaparral Elementary School for a performance by Cupbellas. Moreover, he acknowledged the MYC, Mayor pro Tem Weintraub, Mari Hernandez and guest speakers for doing an outstanding job at the Fentanyl, Drug and Overdose Reversal Awareness event. Lastly, he acknowledged the Calabasas Chamber of Commerce for doing a great job hosting the Annual Attorneys Forum.

CITY MANGER'S REPORT

Mr. Meik expressed appreciation to the school district for allowing the City use of the CHS stadium for the annual 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular. Additionally, he reported that the consultant hired by the City to work with the Landscape Maintenance District has begun reaching out to residents and HOAs. Lastly, the assessment of the recreational programming study is set to begin May 29.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Bozajian requested that the Records Retention Policy be reviewed. Mayor Shapiro seconded the request.

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub requested an update regarding the use of the Demand-Response Program. Additionally, she reiterated her request for an update from Spectrum, AT&T and SCE regarding their infrastructure improvements and investments. Councilmember Kraut is in support of obtaining the information via staff and/or City Manager.

ADJOURN

The City Council adjourned at 10:26 p.m. to a special meeting scheduled on Friday, May 26, 2023, at 10:30 a.m.

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

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA
HELD FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2023**

Mayor Shapiro called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

There were no public comments.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Threat to Public Services or Facilities
(Gov. Code § 54957, subd. (a).)
Consultation with: Los Angeles County Sheriffs' Department, Captain and Deputies

2. Conference with Legal Counsel; Anticipated Litigation
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Number of Potential Cases: [1]

The City Council considered both matters and took no reportable action.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m. to a special meeting scheduled on Wednesday, May 31, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

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**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF
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HELD WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2023**

Mayor Shapiro called the meeting to order at 7:01 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, Dyer, Green, Hernandez, Holden, Klein, McConville, Meik, Mendoza, Russo and Summers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Public Safety Manager Michael Dyer.

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

PRESENTATIONS

- To Calabasas High School Boys' Tennis Team for going undefeated in Marmonte League

Mayor Shapiro presented the CHS Boys' Tennis Team with certificates for their outstanding achievements.

Coach Josh Wiseman and Steve McAvoy spoke on this presentation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the Council made the following announcements:

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub:

- Extended an invitation to the annual 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular. Tickets to be available June 1.

Councilmember Albrecht:

- Shared that the Memorial Day ceremony was a great service and that he participated in a successful Community Services programming needs meeting.

Councilmember Kraut:

- Extended an invitation to Rock the District Fundraiser hosted by THE Foundation at Sagebrush Cantina on June 3.

Mayor Shapiro:

- Thanked staff for a wonderful Memorial Day event.
- Extended an invitation to the first SunSets Summer Concert Series at the Calabasas Lake on June 11.
- Congratulated graduating class of 2023 and their families.
- Recognized May as Mental Health Awareness month on behalf of the Mayor's Youth Council.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Levinson spoke during public comment.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1853, appointment an interim Public Works Director
2. Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1851, authorizing and approving the execution of a Cooperation Agreement with the Los Angeles Urban County Community Development Block Grant Program for Fiscal Years 2024-2026

Councilmembers Bozajian requested Item No. 1 be pulled from Consent.

Mr. Meik addressed the City Council regarding Consent Item No. 1.

Councilmember Kraut moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Weintraub to approve Consent Item No. 1. MOTION CARRIED 4/1 as follows:

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

NOES: Councilmember Bozajian

Councilmember Kraut moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Weintraub to approve Consent Item No. 2. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

AYES: Mayor Shapiro, Mayor pro Tem Weintraub, Councilmembers Albrecht,

Bozajian and Kraut

NEW BUSINESS

3. Consider adoption of the Expenditure Plan for Woolsey Fire settlement funds.

Mr. Dyer presented the report.

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub moved, seconded by Mayor Shapiro to approve the Expenditure Plan for Woolsey Fire settlement funds. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

CONTINUED BUSINESS

4. Presentation and review of the City Manager’s recommended budget for FY 2023-2024

Mr. Ahlers presented the report.

Kelley and Joe Fries, Michael Harrison and Joe Chilco spoke on Item No. 4.

The City Council provided direction to staff.

TASK FORCE REPORTS

Councilmember Albrecht reported he will be attending a CPA meeting on June 1. Additionally, he reported that the Headwaters Corner agreement is moving along and that terms are being discussed with the TreePeople.

Councilmember Bozajian reported that Councilmember Kraut and he met with staff to discuss Council Protocols. Additionally, he reported he attended various meetings for the League of California Cities and California Contract Cities Association and has been reappointed to the CCCA Board of Directors. Lastly, he reported he conducted an interior walk-thru at the AHCCC.

Councilmember Kraut reiterated his participation in a Protocols Committee meeting. Additionally, he reported that Councilmember Bozajian and he will be attending the League of California Cities general membership meeting.

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub reported that Mayor Shapiro and she have attended various school meetings and met with school district representatives. Additionally, she reported her upcoming attendance to a COG meeting.

Mayor Shapiro thanked the LVUSD for allowing the City to host the 4th of July Spectacular at CHS. Additionally, he reported he attended various SCAG meetings. Lastly, he reported he will be attending a CPA meeting, an MYC meeting and a Calabasas Chamber of Commerce meeting.

CITY MANGER’S REPORT

None.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Albrecht would like to consider Sideshow laws such as those implemented by the City of Paramount. Mayor pro Tem Weintraub stated street racing would be discussed at their next Public Safety Committee meeting.

Councilmember Bozajian requested that staff review the current Records Retention schedule.

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub requested a status updated on the ordinance that would require businesses to report crime. Mr. Summers reported that an ordinance would be scheduled at a future Council meeting.

ADJOURN

The City Council adjourned at 9:25 p.m. to a special meeting scheduled on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

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