

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA
HELD WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2023**

Mayor Shapiro called the meeting to order at 7:31 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, Bezdecny, Campbell, Cohen, Green, Hernandez, Klein, Lanzafame, McConville, Meik, Mendoza, Russo and Summers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

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

- By Toni Consolo, California Joint Powers Authority and Rob Lowe, Alliant regarding earthquake insurance

Mr. Ahlers, Mr. Lowe and Ms. Consolo made a presentation to the City Council.

The City Council requested that staff conduct further analysis and present options at a future meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the Council made the following announcements:

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub:

- Extended an invitation to the Annual Community Fire Season Briefing via Zoom Teleconferencing on October 2.
- Shared that Walk to School Day is on October 4 and reminded everyone to drive

safely.

Councilmember Albrecht:

- Encouraged everyone to participate in the Calabasas Walk-In Flu Clinic on October 7 at Founders Hall.
- Reported that some Councilmembers and he will be participating in the City of Hidden Hills Fiesta parade on September 30.
- Reported that he attended a State Water Project tour hosted by LVMWD from September 8-10.

Councilmember Bozajian:

- Acknowledged the 20th anniversary since the State acquired Ahmanson Ranch.
- Expressed his dismay regarding the atrocities occurring in Armenia and Azerbaijan, which are a repeat of previous genocides.

Councilmember Kraut:

- Extended an invitation to a Scam Alert Seminar with Assemblywoman Jacqui Irwin at Founders Hall on October 5 and to THE Foundation for Las Virgenes Schools Poker Night at Topanga Social on October 6.

Mayor Shapiro:

- Extended an invitation to the 10th Annual Film Festival from September 27 to October 1; the ground-breaking celebration for the Green Street Project October 2; and to the Calabasas Library's 25th anniversary celebration on October 8.
- Recognized Hispanic Heritage month.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Levinson spoke during public comment.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of September 13, 2023, meeting minutes
2. Review and approval of activities to be funded by the City's permanent local housing allocation (PLHA) with 2021-2023 program year funds; adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1867 approving program funding; and adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1872 allocating funds for permanent local housing allocation grant
3. Recommendation to award a five-year Professional Services Agreement to Telecom Law Firm, P.C. for wireless communications professional consulting services not to exceed \$150,000

4. Recommendation to approve a nine-month agreement with All City Management Service, Inc. for crossing guard services at local schools in an amount not to exceed \$160,073
5. Consider adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1868, authorizing acceptance of up to \$125,000 in grant funding from the California Department of Cannabis Control

Councilmember Bozajian requested Item No. 5 be pulled from Consent.

Mr. Klein addressed the City Council regarding Consent Item No. 5.

Norma and Mark Citron spoke during public comment.

After discussion, Councilmember Albrecht moved, seconded by Councilmember Kraut to approve Consent Item Nos. 1-4. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

After discussion, Councilmember Kraut moved, seconded by Councilmember Albrecht to approve Consent Item No. 5. MOTION CARRIED 4/1 as follows:

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

NOES: Councilmember Bozajian

NEW BUSINESS

6. Authorization to award a contract to FS Contractors, Inc., under CIP No. 23-24-01 for Wild Walnut Park improvements and approve additional funding allocation

Ms. Green presented the report.

Mr. Maxwell from JMD Landscape Architecture addressed the City Council.

Roza Besser spoke during public comment.

Councilmember Kraut moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Weintraub to award a contract to FS Contractors, Inc., under CIP No. 23-24-01 for Wild Walnut Park improvements and approve additional funding allocation for a 15% contingency and choose a permanent bathroom option and further direct staff to explore a second

restroom in the same building and determine if it can be achieved with less than 50% of the contingency. **MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:**

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

CONTINUED BUSINESS

7. Discussion of Fire Safety and Resilience Code Standards. The Planning Commission reviewed this item on June 15, 2023, and provided recommendations to the City Council

Mr. Klein and Mr. Cohen presented the report.

Mr. Woodward from M6 and Joseph Youman from LA County Fire Department addressed the City Council.

After discussion, the City Council provided direction to staff.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

8. Check Register for the period of September 2-15, 2023

No action taken on this Item.

TASK FORCE REPORTS

Councilmember Kraut reported that he attended the League of California Cities Annual Conference and Expo September 20-22 in Sacramento.

Councilmember Albrecht reported he also attended the League of California Cities Annual Conference and Expo September 20-22 in Sacramento. Additionally, he reported that Mayor pro Tem Weintraub and he will be attending an Economic Development meeting soon. Moreover, he reported that Mayor Shapiro and he will be scheduling a Sustainability Taskforce meeting. Lastly, he shared that CPA is growing and their credit rating has increased.

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub requested that residents submit detailed emails regarding traffic issues so that staff can address any concerns. Additionally, she reported that Mayor Shapiro and she will be meeting quarterly as the Public Safety Taskforce with representatives from surrounding cities.

Mayor Shapiro reported that he presented at a COG meeting and attended various SCAG meetings. He also reported that Mayor pro Tem Weintraub and he

attended a Voter Registration Drive hosted by the MYC, which was held in conjunction with a meet and greet with Assemblywoman Jacqui Irwin. He further thanked Ms. Hernandez for her great work.

Councilmember Bozajian reported he also attended the League of California Cities Annual Conference and Expo September 20-22 in Sacramento.

CITY MANGER'S REPORT

Mr. Meik reported that while attending the League of California Cities Annual Conference and Expo in Sacramento, he met with the team that is working on the solar retrofitting project and will be reviewing their proposal before bringing it to Council. Additionally, he reported that interviews took place for the Environmental Manager position and hopes to fill that vacancy soon. Moreover, he reminded residents that the City offers shuttle services and encourages everyone to use them. Lastly, he reported that staff plans to bring future agenda items in October to discuss prioritizing such items. Councilmember Bozajian opposed request as items have been itemized for over a year.

FUTURE INFORMATION/AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Bozajian reiterated his request to discuss airplane noise issues. Mayor Shapiro and Mayor pro Tem Weintraub agreed to discuss this item on October 25.

ADJOURN

The City Council adjourned at 10:16 p.m. to a regular meeting scheduled on Wednesday, October 11, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

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