

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA
HELD WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 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; Existing Litigation
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Case Names: TNHC 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

2. Conference with Legal Counsel; Anticipated Litigation
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]

Mayor Shapiro called the Open Session to order at 7:10 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: Campbell, Green, Hernandez, Klein, Lanzafame, McConville, Meik, Melton, Russo and Summers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Kraut moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Weintraub 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 to address Item No. 1. The City Council provided direction to staff and there were no reportable actions. He stated that Item No. 2 would resume after tonight's meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

- Sheriff's Crime Report – September 2023

Deputy Mason De Matteo presented the report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the Council made the following announcements:

Councilmember Albrecht:

- Encouraged everyone to participate in the Holiday Fest Toy Drive hosted by the Rotary Club of Calabasas on November 18.
- Reported there are several upcoming red flag days and encouraged everyone to sign up for email notifications at cityofcalabasas.com.

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub:

- Acknowledged the five-year anniversary of the Woolsey Fire and thanked staff for the progress made in emergency preparedness.
- Expressed her condolences to the friends and family of Jewish protestor, Paul Kessler. Additionally, she thanked LVUSD and Viewpoint School for being supportive to students affected by the Hamas attacks.
- Thanked staff and Mayor Shapiro for a wonderful Veterans Day celebration. Wished everyone a Happy Veterans Day and thanked Councilmember Albrecht for his service.

Councilmember Kraut:

- Extended an invitation to the ground-breaking celebration of Wild Walnut Park on November 13.

Mayor Shapiro:

- Thanked Annie Krdilyan and staff for a fantastic Veterans Day celebration.
- Gave a special shout to the CHS Girls' Tennis Team for their amazing

- accomplishments.
- Extended an invitation to the CHS fall play, Radium Girls, November 14-17 and to the Calabasas Mayor's State of the City Address at Founders Hall on November 15.
 - Wished everyone a happy and peaceful Thanksgiving.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Ed Reynolds, Devendra Mishra and Mark Levinson spoke during public comment.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of October 25, 2023, meeting minutes
2. Authorization to approve and add Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with HASA, Inc. to increase the not to exceed amount to \$120,000 for pool upgrades, service and repairs
3. Recommendation to approve Amendment No. 3 to the Professional Services Agreement with SCA of CA, LLC (DBA Cleanstreet) for Citywide street sweeping services which will extend the contract duration until February 12, 2024, and increase the not to exceed amount to \$568,670
4. Recommendation to approve Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Yunex, LLC for traffic signal maintenance services, which will extend the contract duration until June 30, 2024, and increase the not to exceed amount to \$180,000
5. Recommendation to approve a three-year Professional Services Agreement with SGD Enterprises DBA Four Seasons Landscaping for landscape maintenance of the common areas of Bellagio Homeowners Association within Landscape Lighting Act District 22 within the City of Calabasas in an amount no to exceed \$568,200
6. Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1879, updating the Citywide Fee Schedule to establish fees for the Calabasas Community Center
7. Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-1878, appointment and employment contract for Interim Assistant City Manager

8. Authorization to award a two-year Professional Services Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$130,000 to Secural Security Corporation for Citywide parking enforcement, code enforcement and miscellaneous event security services

Councilmember Albrecht requested Item No. 6 be pulled from Consent.

Mayor Shapiro requested Item Nos. 5 and 8 be pulled from Consent.

Mr. Summers noted that the expiration date on the Professional Services Agreement with SCA of CA, LLC (DBA Cleanstreet) for Citywide street sweeping services was incorrect and should be November 12, 2024.

After discussion, Councilmember Kraut moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Weintraub to approve Consent Item Nos. 1-8. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

CONTINUED BUSINESS

9. Approve design and authorize to award a Professional Services Agreement to Progressive Design Playgrounds DBA PD Play for the Freedom Park Play structure replacement in the amount of \$175,000. Discuss and provide direction on public access to Freedom Park

Ms. Green presented the report.

Cathie Mattson, Carol Davis, Roza Besser, Charlotte Meyer, Mason Weissman and Lee Weissman spoke during public comment.

After discussion, Councilmember Kraut moved, seconded by Councilmember Albrecht to award Professional Services Agreement to Progressive Design Playgrounds DBA PD Play for the Freedom Park Play structure replacement in the amount of \$175,000 with additional terms and conditions to be worked out with the HOA. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

10. Community survey results regarding commercial cannabis

Mr. Klein and Mr. Bernard from FM3 Research presented the report.

Roza Besser spoke during public comment.

The Council consensus was not to move forward with commercial cannabis.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

11. Review and provide direction on the prioritization of future agenda items. Provide direction on future agenda items to be referred to Council Committees or City Commissions

Item was postponed to the Council Workshop on December 15.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

12. Check Register for the period of October 14-27, 2023

No action taken on this Item.

TASK FORCE REPORTS

Councilmember Albrecht reported that Councilmember Kraut and he are working with Deputy City Manager McConville on an agreement to be presented to Headwaters Corner for their approval. Additionally, he reported that Mayor pro Tem Weintraub and he are planning an Economic Development Committee meeting to discuss zoning.

Councilmember Kraut reported he attended the Community Resiliency and Preparedness Event hosted by the Office of Supervisor Horvath on October 26 and VICA's 35th Annual Business Forecast Conference on October 27.

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub reported that the COG postponed their meeting to November 14. Additionally, she reported that Mayor Shapiro and she have upcoming meetings with the school district and the Public Safety Committee.

Mayor Shapiro reported he attended a CPA meeting and various SCAG meetings. Additionally, he reported he attended the U.S. Conference of Mayors; VICA's 35th Annual Business Forecast Conference; and a Valley Economic Alliance Board meeting. Lastly, he reported his upcoming attendance to VICA's Local Officeholders luncheon on November 9.

CITY MANGER'S REPORT

Mr. Meik reported that due to the recent winds, Public Safety has opened the EOC. Additionally, he reported that SCE opened a community resource center at De Anza Park. Moreover, Mr. Meik reported that he met with Captain Seetoo to discuss

the recent events on PCH and agreed to increase Deputy surveillance in that area. Lastly, Mr. Meik thanked Council for approving the employment contract for Interim Assistant City Manager (ACM) and welcomed Mr. Lanzafame once again to the team. He also noted that the ACM recruitment closes on November 10.

Mayor pro Tem Weintraub thanked staff for doing an amazing job at the last PSPS event. Mr. Meik shared that Public Safety did a great job by checking on residents with special needs.

Mr. Lanzafame reported that Public Works staff would be available in case of any emergencies.

FUTURE INFORMATION/AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Bozajian requested that the December 6 Council meeting be highly publicized.

Councilmember Albrecht requested a discussion regarding potential areas for parks. The request was supported by Mayor Shapiro and Mayor pro Tem Weintraub.

Closed Session Item No. 2 was postponed to a future meeting.

ADJOURN

The City Council adjourned at 9:23 p.m. to a special meeting scheduled on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

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