

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA
HELD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024**

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

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

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]

Mayor pro Tem Kraut recused himself from participating in Closed Session and left the meeting.

Mayor Weintraub called the Open Session to order at 7:04 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 100 Civic Center Way, Calabasas, CA.

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

Absent: None

Staff: Ahlers, Campbell, Green, Hernandez, Klein, McConville, Meik, Russo, Summers and Trujillo

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Assistant City Manager Scott Trujillo.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Summers reported that the City Council met in Closed Session to address Item No. 1. However, there were no reportable actions.

ADJOURN IN MEMORY

- John Suwara

Mayor Weintraub expressed condolences to the Suwara family and presented a certificate of adjournment to the family.

Members of the Council expressed condolences to the Suwara family.

Bill Suwara expressed gratitude to the Council for the tribute to his father, Mr. Suwara.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the Council made the following announcements:

Mayor pro Tem Kraut:

- Reported that Mayor Weintraub, Councilmember Albrecht and he participated with others in the homeless count on January 23. Extended an invitation to the Las Virgenes Creek tour on January 27. More information available on the City's website.

Councilmember Albrecht:

- Reported that the Calabasas Chamber of Commerce is hosting their Installation Gala and Casino Night on January 27, and the last day to apply for the Board is January 25.
- Expressed gratitude to the Public Works Department for doing an amazing job cleaning up Saratoga Hills during the water main break.

Councilmember Shapiro:

- Reported that AT&T is pending a regulatory application which will affect those with landlines.
- Congratulated CHS Girls' Track and Field team on their outstanding accomplishments.
- Extended an invitation to the Annual USTA Pro Circuit at the T&SC March 16-24 and to the Mayor's Youth Council Body Positivity Fair at Calabasas Civic Center on February 3.

Councilmember Bozajian:

- Reminded everyone that the Primary Election is on March 5.

Mayor Weintraub:

- Congratulated Councilmember Shapiro for being awarded the Spirit of Calabasas award by the Chamber of Commerce.
- Extended an invitation to the Crime Prevention Symposium at Founders Hall on February 12 and to the PAWS to Read at the Calabasas Library on February 10.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Levinson and Bruce Boyer spoke during public comment.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of January 4-5 and January 10, 2024, meeting minutes
2. Quarterly Investment Report for quarter ending December 31, 2023
3. Consider Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro) audit and other audit reports for Fiscal Year (FY) ended June 30, 2023
4. Annual update of the City's Tobacco Retailer Registration Program for 2023

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

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

NEW BUSINESS - CONTINUED

5. Council discussion and direction on whether to re-establish the practice of Hybrid City Council meetings enabling the public to participate remotely or in-person

Mr. Russo presented the report.

Frances Alet provided public comment.

Councilmember Shapiro moved, seconded by Councilmember Albrecht to rescind Resolution No. 2022-1821 and return to traditional in-person meetings. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

6. Programming Needs Assessment Final Report

Ms. Green and Michael Svetz from Pros Consulting presented the report.

The City Council received and filed the report.

The meeting recessed at 9:09 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 9:18 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

7. City Council consideration of Council Liaisons/Committee Assignments

Council Liaisons:

Budget Taskforce

Shapiro – Kraut

Commission Procedures/Council Protocols

Bozajian – Kraut

Economic Development

Weintraub – Albrecht

Public Safety/Emergency Preparedness Taskforce

Shapiro – Weintraub

Open Space/Annexations Liaisons

Bozajian – Kraut

School Site Taskforce

Shapiro – Weintraub

Homeless Taskforce

Weintraub – Kraut

Technology and Infrastructure Taskforce

Weintraub – Shapiro

Sustainability Taskforce

Shapiro – Albrecht

Recreation/youth/Senior Services Taskforce
Weintraub – Shapiro

External Committees:

Agoura Hills/Calabasas Community Center Joint Powers Authority Board
Bozajian – Kraut

Calabasas Chamber of Commerce
Bozajian – Albrecht

California Contract Cities Association
Albrecht – Bozajian (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
Kraut – Bozajian (alternate)

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 – Albrecht (alternate)

The Valley Economic Alliance
Shapiro – Albrecht (alternate)
Valley Industry Commerce Association (VICA)

Shapiro – Kraut (alternate)

Councilmember Albrecht moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Kraut to approve appointments; name change of Wireless Taskforce to Technology and Infrastructure Taskforce; and to establish a Recreation/Youth/Senior Services Taskforce and appointed Mayor Weintraub/Councilmember Shapiro to such Taskforce. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

8. Check Register for the period of January 2-January 12, 2024

No action taken on this Item.

TASK FORCE REPORTS

Councilmember Bozajian reported that he will be attending a California Joint Powers Insurance Authority meeting and a CCC Taskforce meeting on January 25.

Mayor pro Tem Kraut reported that he attended a Headwaters Corner Taskforce meeting.

Councilmember Albrecht reported that Councilmember Shapiro and he met as the Sustainability Taskforce. Additionally, he reported that the Economic Development Taskforce would be meeting on January 30. Lastly, he shared that the CPA is dark in January.

Councilmember Shapiro reported he attended various SCAG and Valley Economic Alliance meetings as well as a Mayor's Youth Council meeting. He also shared that the MYC will be hosting a Body Positivity Fair on February 3.

Mayor Weintraub reported she attended a Public Safety meeting to discuss the Crime Prevention Symposium. She also attended a Valley Economic Alliance and Mayor's Youth Council meeting.

CITY MANGER'S REPORT

Mr. Meik welcomed Assistant City Manager Scott Trujillo to the team. He also shared that Mr. Trujillo, Mr. Castle and he toured the Green Street Project. Additionally, he reported that the T&SC Pool Resurfacing Project is moving along. Lastly, he thanked Michael Russo and Public Works personnel for doing a great job

during the water main break.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Weintraub requested a brief discussion regarding the Mayor’s Youth Council to resolve any outstanding issues. Councilmember Shapiro supported the request.

ADJOURN

The City Council adjourned at 9:55 p.m. in memory of John Suwara to a special meeting scheduled on Wednesday, January 31, 2024, at 7:00 p.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 WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2024**

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

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

Absent: None

1. Conference with Real Property Negotiator
(Gov't Code §54956.8)
Property Address: 23075 Mulholland Highway, Calabasas, CA 91302
Agency Negotiator: Kindon Meik, City Manager
Negotiating Party: TreePeople Land Trust
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

2. Conferenced with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
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Number of Potential Cases: [1]

3. Conference with Real Property Negotiator
Government Code Section 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

Closed Session Item Nos. 1 and 3 were addressed first. Mayor pro Tem Kraut recused himself from participating in Closed Session Item No. 2 and left the meeting.

Mayor Weintraub called the Open Session to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 100 Civic Center Way, Calabasas, CA.

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

Absent: None
Staff: Campbell, Green, Hernandez, Klein, McConville, Meik, Russo, Summers and Trujillo

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Deputy City Manager Michael McConville.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Summers reported that the City Council met in Closed Session to address Item Nos. 1-3. The City Council provided direction to staff and there were no reportable actions

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the Council made the following announcements:

Councilmember Shapiro:

- Thanked the Calabasas Chamber of Commerce for a wonderful Installation Gala and for awarding him the Spirit of Calabasas award.
- Extended an invitation to the Body Positive Fair hosted by the Mayor’s Youth Council and M2Health at the Calabasas Civic Center on February 3.
- Shared that there is a vacancy on the Communications and Technology Commission.

Mayor Weintraub:

- Reminded everyone that there will be an e-waste collection event at Albertson’s on February 3
- Extended an invitation to the Crime Prevention Symposium at Founders Hall on February 12.
- Encouraged everyone to sign up for citywide notifications to receive updates regarding the upcoming storm.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Levinson spoke during public comment.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Authorization to approve the Professional Services Agreement with Cooksey's Lifeguard and Swim Academy, LLC, through December 31, 2024, in the amount of \$95,000

Councilmember Shapiro moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Kraut to approve Consent Item No. 1. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

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

CONTINUED BUSINESS

2. Review, discuss and provide direction on recommended amendments to the City Council Protocols. Discuss and provide direction on the Weekly Mayor's Letter.

The meeting recessed at 9:00 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 9:10 p.m.

After extensive discussion, Council consensus was to continue Item No. 2 at the next City Council meeting on February 14.

TASKFORCE REPORTS

Councilmember Albrecht reported that he would be attending a CPA meeting on February 1. Additionally, he reported his upcoming attendance to an Economic Development Taskforce meeting.

Councilmember Shapiro reported he attended various SCAG and Valley Economic Alliance meetings. Additionally, he shared that SCAG's Regional Conference and General Assembly will be held on May 2-3.

Mayor pro Tem Kraut reported that the CCC Taskforce met to discuss the center's grand opening on March 16. Additionally, he reported that Councilmembers Albrecht, Bozajian and he attended the Las Virgenes Creek Tour. Moreover, he reported he attended the Celebration of Life in honor of John Suwara at Founders Hall as well as the Calabasas Chamber of Commerce Installation Gala. Lastly, he reported his attendance to the VICA LA County Officeholders Breakfast.

Mayor Weintraub reported that she attended a COG meeting and shared that a CHP representative will now participate in such meetings. Councilmember Bozajian added that Mayor Weintraub is the new Chair of the COG.

CITY MANGER’S REPORT

Mr. Meik extended an invitation to the Crime Prevention Symposium on February 12 and shared there will be several guest speakers.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Bozajian reiterated his request for an update regarding airport noise issues.

ADJOURN

The City Council adjourned at 10:08 p.m. to a regular meeting scheduled on Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Maricela Hernandez, City Clerk
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