

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA  
HELD WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024**

Mayor Weintraub called the Closed Session to order at 6:00 p.m. in 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

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]

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

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 7:08 p.m. in Council Chambers, 100 Civic Center Way, Calabasas, CA.

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

Absent: None

Staff: Ahlers, Castle, Cohen, Endreola, Green, Hernandez, Holden, Klein, Krdilyan, McConville, Meik, Rackerby, Russo, Shinder, Summers and Trujillo

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Boy Scout Troop 127.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**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

### **REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

Mr. Summers reported that the City Council met in Closed Session to address Item Nos. 1-3. Mayor pro Tem Kraut recused from Item No. 2 and left the meeting. The City Council provided direction to staff and there were no reportable actions

### **PRESENTATIONS**

- Fire Department update  
Fire Chief Drew Smith presented an update
- Employee Service Awards

The City Council presented service awards to Gabe Endreola, Tatiana Holden, Annie Krdilyan and Monica Shinder.

Mayor Weintraub and Mr. Meik expressed appreciation and thanked staff for their hard work.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Consideration and approval of appointment of Matthew Huzaineh and Kartik Nettar to the Planning and Communications & Technology Commissions, respectively.

Councilmembers Albrecht and Shapiro welcomed their respective nominees.

**Councilmember Shapiro moved, seconded by Councilmember Albrecht to appoint Matthew Huzaineh and Kartik Nettar to the Planning and Communications & Technology Commissions, respectively. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:**

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

2. Oath of Office to newly appointed Commissioner

Mayor Weintraub administered the Oath of Office to Matthew Huzaineh and Kartik Nettar.

Mr. Huzaineh and Mr. Nettar expressed appreciation to the City Council for their appointment.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS**

Members of the Council made the following announcements:

Mayor pro Tem Kraut:

- Extended invitations to the Fair Housing Listening Session: Homelessness via Zoom teleconference on March 7; to the Calabasas Community Center (CCC) Grand Opening celebration on March 16; and to the International Women’s Day Luncheon at the Agoura Hills Event Center on March 5.

Councilmember Bozajian:

- Reported that recreational classes are now open for registration at the CCC. Membership information available on the City’s website.
- Reminded everyone that the Primary Election is on March 5.

Councilmember Albrecht:

- Extended invitations to the LVWMD Documentary Premiere: Flames to the Ocean at the Regency Calabasas on March 7; to the CHS Something Rotten musical; and to the Environmental Initiatives In & Around Calabasas Forum at Tennis and Swim Center on February 29.

Councilmember Shapiro:

- Reiterated invitations to the CHS Something Rotten musical; to the Environmental Initiatives In & Around Calabasas Forum; and to the Annual USTA Pro Circuit at the T&SC March 16-24.

Mayor Weintraub:

- Encouraged those who have experienced mail theft to file a report at [www.uspis.gov](http://www.uspis.gov).

## ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Omar Madha spoke during public comment.

## CONSENT ITEMS

3. Approval of February 14, 2024, meeting minutes.
4. Update on the City's Rental Registration Program for 2023
5. Recommendation to approve a Professional Services Agreement for Building Code and Engineering Services with M6 Consulting, Inc. in the amount of \$5,000,000 (Five Million Dollars) for a five-year period
6. City Council consideration of opposition to AT&T's application to relinquish its commitment to maintain copper-based landline telephones in Calabasas and other areas

Councilmember Bozajian requested Item Nos. 4 and 6 be pulled from Consent.

Mr. Klein and Ms. Rackerby addressed the City Council regarding Item. No. 4.

In regard to Consent Item No. 6, Councilmember Bozajian requested that a copy of the letter be sent to the League of California Cities and the City's Homeowner Associations. Mr. Meik encouraged residents to provide input to the CPUC.

**Mayor pro Tem Kraut moved, seconded by Councilmember Shapiro to approve Consent Item Nos. 3-6. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:**

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

## OLD BUSINESS

7. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-1888, establishing Transportation Impact Thresholds

Mr. Castle and Mr. Mericle presented the report.

**Councilmember Albrecht moved, seconded by Councilmember Shapiro to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 2024-1888, establishing Transportation Impact Thresholds. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:**

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

8. Earthquake insurance coverage presentation by CJPIA

Mr. Ahlers and Jim Thyden from the CJPIA presented the report.

**The City Council provided direction to staff.**

The meeting recessed at 8:53 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 9:04 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS - CONTINUED**

9. Mid-year budget update and adoption of Resolution of Appropriation No. 2024-1889

Mr. Ahlers presented the report.

**Mayor pro Tem Kraut moved, seconded by Councilmember Shapiro to approve adoption of Resolution of Appropriations No. 2024-1889. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:**

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

10. City Council direction on funding priorities for FY 2024-25

Mr. Ahlers presented the report.

**The City Council provided direction to staff and the Budget Taskforce.**

**INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

11. Check Register for the period of February 3-February 16, 2024

**No action taken on this Item.**

**TASK FORCE REPORTS**

Mayor pro Tem Kraut reported his participation in a CCC meeting, a Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy meeting and various Budget Taskforce meetings.

Councilmember Shapiro reported his participation with Mayor pro Tem Kraut

in Budget Taskforce meetings. He also reported that Mayor Weintraub and he toured the CCC with staff. Further, he reported his participation in various SCAG and Valley Economic Alliance meetings.

### **CITY MANGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Meik reported his upcoming attendance to the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual City Managers' Educational Seminar hosted by the LA County Sheriff's at the Sheraton Cerritos Hotel on March 7.

### **FUTURE INFORMATION/AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

### **ADJOURN**

The City Council adjourned at 9:42 p.m. to a regular meeting scheduled on Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

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