



City Hall Council Chamber
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MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING

OF THE CITY OF COACHELLA

THE COUNCIL SITTING AS THE COACHELLA SANITARY DISTRICT,
COACHELLA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, COACHELLA FINANCING AUTHORITY,
COACHELLA EDUCATIONAL AND GOVERNMENTAL ACCESS CABLE CHANNEL CORPORATION,
COACHELLA WATER AUTHORITY, SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COACHELLA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
AND COACHELLA PARKS AND RECREATION FOUNDATION

April 24, 2024

5:00 PM – CLOSED SESSION
6:00 PM – REGULAR MEETING

<p>In-Person Meeting Location:</p> <p>Coachella City Hall Council Chamber 1515 Sixth Street Coachella, CA</p>	<p>If you would like to attend the meeting via Zoom, here is the link:</p> <p>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88457271898?pwd=REdzU1NoQmpVSFhWTDVaZ0VCekYxdz09 Or One tap mobile : 16699006833,,88457271898#,,, *606140# Or Telephone: US: +1 669 900 6833 Webinar ID: 884 5727 1898 Passcode: 606140</p> <p>Spanish: El idioma español está disponible en Zoom seleccionado la opción en la parte de abajo de la pantalla</p>
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- Public comments may be received **either in person, via email, telephonically, or via Zoom** with a limit of **250 words, or three minutes:**
 - **In Real Time:**

If participating in real time via Zoom or phone, during the Public Comment Period, use the “**raise hand**” function on your computer, or when using a phone, participants can raise their hand by pressing *9 on the keypad.
 - **In Writing:**

Written comments may be submitted to the City Council electronically via email to cityclerk@coachella.org. Transmittal **prior to the start** of the meeting is required. All written comments received will be forwarded to the City Council and entered into the record.
 - If you wish, you may leave a message at (760) 262-6240 before 5:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting.
- The **live stream** of the meeting may be **viewed online** by accessing the city's website at www.coachella.org, and clicking on the "**Watch Council Meetings**" tab located on the home page, and then clicking on the "live" button.

CALL TO ORDER: - 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Pro Tem Virgen called the City Council Closed Session and Regular Meeting of the City of Coachella to order at 5:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Galarza, and Mayor Pro Tem Virgen
City Clerk Zepeda, and City Treasurer Aviles via Zoom

Absent: Councilman Delgado and Mayor Hernandez

Mayor Pro Tem Virgen announced that Councilwoman Delgado and Mayor Hernandez are at Sacramento attending a Strategic Council Meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

“At this time the Council/ Board/Corporation/Authority may announce any items being pulled from the Agenda or continued to another date or request the moving of an item on the agenda”

City Attorney Campos requested the addition of a closed session item, Conference with Real Property Negotiations, Real Property:52156 Tripoli Way, Coachella, Agency Negotiator: City Manager and City Attorney, Negotiating Parties: Rights Angels Inv., Inc., Under Negotiation: Price and Term. A unanimous vote is required to add the item.

Motion: To approve the addition of the Closed Session item

Made by: Councilmember Galarza

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Virgen

Approved: 3-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Galarza, and Mayor Pro Tem Virgen

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Delgado and Mayor Hernandez

City Manager Martin requested moving item #28 to the front of New Business.

City Manager Martin and City Attorney Campos received an email from Councilmember Delgado requesting postponement of items #25, #28 and #29 to the next meeting.

Motion: To approve moving item 28 in between items 22 and 23 to start the New Business Calendar and to keep the rest of the agenda as is.

Made by: Councilmember Galarza
Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Virgen
Approved: 2-1 vote

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Virgen and Councilmember Galarza
NOES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Mayor, Hernandez, Councilman Delgado

PUBLIC COMMENTS (CLOSED SESSION ITEMS):

None.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) One (1) Potential Case

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING: - 6:00 P.M.

The City Council reconvened into open session at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

City Clerk Zepeda lead the Pledge of Allegiance

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No reportable action taken.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/DIRECTION:

2. F-33 Library Annex Project Update
3. Pavement Management Program Update
4. Harvey Milk Proclamation

Councilmember Galarza stepped away 6:36 pm - 6:38 pm.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

Eight emails were received in reference to items #13 & #14 and were emailed to City Council and City Clerk on April 23 and 24, 2024:

Blanca & Felipe Ramirez emailed comment 4/24/2024 at
Lilly Castaneda emailed comment 4/24/2024 at 12:21 pm

Elizabeth Vargas emailed comment 4/23/2024 at 2:11 pm
Maria Lupe Torres-Hilario emailed comment 4/23/2024 at 2:15 pm
Eunice Gutierrez emailed comment 4/23/2024 at 2:04 pm
Claudia Hernandez emailed comment 4/24/2024 at 12:26 pm
Esmeralda D Torres emailed comment 4/24/2024 at 1:46 pm
Jessica Bautista emailed comment 4/24/2024 8:17 pm

CONSENT CALENDAR:

(It is recommended that Consent Items be acted upon simultaneously unless separate discussion and/or action is requested by a Council Member or member of the audience.)

5. Regular Meeting Minutes of April 10, 2024, of the City of Coachella, Coachella Sanitary District, Coachella Fire Protection District, Coachella Financing Authority, Coachella Educational and Governmental Access Cable Corporation, Coachella Water Authority, Successor Agency to the Coachella Redevelopment Agency and Coachella Parks and Recreation Foundation
6. Voucher Listing- EFT's/Utility Billing Refunds/FY 2023-24 Expenditures as of April 24, 2024, \$4,686,683.51
7. Department Quarterly Reports
8. Re-Authorize the purchase and installation of a dual language HD Swagit camera and streaming system for the City of Coachella Council Chamber for the amount of \$87,311.20
9. Award Amendment #1 with Allied Paving Co. in the Amount of \$92,735 Plus 15% Contingency for Pavement Rehabilitation in Lewis Homes, Which is a Portion of the Street Pavement Rehabilitation Phase 19 – City Project ST-118
10. Maintenance of Effort Certification Statements Fiscal Year 2024/2025, the Local Streets and Roads Revenue Projections, as Well as the Projected Five Year Measure A Capital Improvement Plans Budget for Measure A Funding
11. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-11 Adopting a List of Projects for Fiscal Year 2024-25, Funded by SB 1: Road Repair and Accountability Act
12. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Corona Environmental Consulting, LLC for Testing and Evaluation of an Alternative Treatment Process for Removal of Chromium-6 from Groundwater and Water System Planning in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00
13. Approve recommended adjustments to the Community Field Use Program.
14. Execution of the Twelfth Amended Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Coachella and Sports Leagues.
15. Approve Amendment No. 2 to West Coast Arborists Increasing Compensation by \$50,000 for Installation of Trees at Bagdouma Park and Approve Allocation From Undesignated General Fund Reserves for These Services

16. Approve Amendment No. 2 to Vintage Landscape to Allow for Repair of Retention Basin at Rancho Las Flores Park, Increasing Compensation of Agreement by an Additional \$65,000 and Allocating this Amount From Undesignated General Fund Reserves
17. Approve Amendment No. 1 for \$45,000, to Vintage Landscape to Allow for Bagdouma Park Improvements Including: Rehabilitation of Irrigation Lines, Plant Replacement, and Retention Basin Repair due to Erosion; Approve Allocating \$45,000 From Undesignated General Fund Reserves
18. Authorize Award of a Professional Services Agreement With Southwest Protective Services, Inc. for Security Guard Services Project No. 081221, for \$300,000
19. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Professional Services Agreement With Equitable Cities LLC for \$35,000 and Authorize Appropriation for Undesignated General Fund Reserves in the Amount of \$35,000
20. Authorize the City Manager to Approve a Contract for Services with Ecology Auto Parts Inc., in an Amount not to Exceed \$132,550.00 Including a 10% Contingency for the Removal of Biosolids at the Coachella Sanitary District Wastewater Reclamation Plant.
21. Authorize the Purchase of 124 Master Meters Ranging in Sizes between ¾ Inches to 10 Inches for an Amount not to Exceed \$73,431.00
22. Amendment #1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Deckard Technologies, Inc., of San Diego, California in the amount of \$5,000, and Authorize Appropriation of \$32,750 for Short Term Rental Monitoring, Compliance, Enforcement, and Tax Collection Services

Councilmember Dr. Figueroa requested pulling item #12 and commented on this item.

In-person speakers on the item #13 and #14: Alma Aceves, Raul Vargas, and Jorge Sanchez.

Motion: To approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Made by: Councilmember Figueroa

Seconded by: Councilmember Galarza

Approved: 3-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Galarza, and Mayor Pro Tem Virgen

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Delgado and Mayor Hernandez

NEW BUSINESS CALENDAR (LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE):

23. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-13 Approving the City of Coachella to Join the Joint Powers Authority Executive Committee and Approving the Amendment to the Second Amended and Restated Joint Powers Agreement with the Visit Greater Palms Springs (VGPS)

Motion: To approve adoption of Resolution No. 2024-03

Made by: Councilmember Figueroa
Seconded by: Councilmember Galarza
Approved: 3-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Galarza, and Mayor Pro Tem Virgen
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Delgado and Mayor Hernandez

24. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-12, Approving Mid-Year Budget Adjustments for Fiscal Year 2023-24

Motion: To approve adoption of Resolution No. 2024-12 Approving Mid-Year Budget Adjustments for FY 23-24

Made by: Councilmember Figueroa
Seconded by: Councilmember Galarza
Approved: 3-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Galarza, and Mayor Pro Tem Virgen
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Delgado and Mayor Hernandez

Public Comments on non-agenized items.

Alicia Nuno, Judianne Simon, Annika Arrieta, Teresa Torres, students from Cal State San Bernardino (Cathelinne Rodriguez, Allison Tucatl, Aliyah Murrieta, and Carmen Estrada), David Catanzarite from Green Room Theatre.

25. Proposed Chelsea Investment Corporation Sixth Street Senior Apartments Architectural Style Options

Direction given; no action taken.

Councilmember Galarza stepped away 8:25 pm - 8:27 pm.

26. Recommend Re-Establishing Park User Fee Schedule

Motion: To charge non-residents fees and keep no-charge fees for Coachella residents

Made by: Councilmember Galarza
Seconded by: Councilmember Figueroa
Approved: 3-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Galarza, and Mayor Pro Tem Virgen
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Delgado and Mayor Hernandez

27. Approve Execution of Facility Use Agreement Between the City and Super Bailes LLC and Authorize Operation of a Beer Garden on Saturday, May 18, 2024 at Rancho Las Flores Park from 6pm-1am.

Motion: To approve staff recommendation

Made by: Councilmember Galarza

Seconded by: Councilmember Figueroa

Approved: 3-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Galarza, and Mayor Pro Tem Virgen

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Delgado and Mayor Hernandez

28. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-03 Authorizing the City Manager to Apply for, Accept, and Execute a Partnership Agreement Including All Grant Related Documents to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the Climate Justice Community Change Grant Program in the Amount Not-to-Exceed Twenty Million (\$20,000,000) Dollars for its "Coachella Prospera" Application

Motion: To approve adoption of Resolution No. 2024-03

Made by: Councilmember Figueroa

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Virgen

Approved: 3-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Galarza, and Mayor Pro Tem Virgen

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Delgado and Mayor Hernandez

29. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-14 Modifying the City of Coachella Educational Reimbursement Program to Include Student Loans Debt Reimbursement

Direction to bring back this item with more information. No action taken.

PUBLIC HEARING CALENDAR (QUASI-JUDICIAL):

NONE

PUBLIC COMMENTS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS):

The public may address the City Council/Board/Corporation/ Authority on any item of interest to the public that is not on the agenda but is in the subject matter jurisdiction thereof. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes.

With the time being after the 8:00 pm hour and per Resolution No.2019-34, Public Comments were moved up right after item #24 on page 6.

There were no further comments at this time.

REPORTS AND REQUESTS:

Council Comments/Report of Miscellaneous Committees.

City Manager's Comments.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the City Council and the Agencies, Pro Tem Virgen adjourned the meeting at 9:31 p.m.

Angela Zepeda
City Clerk