



City Hall Council Chamber
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MINUTES

OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
CITY OF COACHELLA

CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING
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, AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COACHELLA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

October 11, 2023

5:00PM – 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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 - **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:**

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 - If you wish, you may leave a message at (760) 262-6240 before 5:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting.
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CALL TO ORDER: - 5:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Delgado, and Mayor Pro Tem Galarza.

City Treasure Aviles via Zoom

Absent: Councilmember Virgen and Mayor Hernandez

City Clerk Zepeda,

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”

Motion: To approve the Agenda

Made by: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa

Seconded by: Councilmember Delgado

Approved: 3-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Virgen and Mayor Hernandez

PUBLIC COMMENTS (CLOSED SESSION ITEMS):

None

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957(b) (1) (1)

Title: City Manager

Title: City Attorney

2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Property: APN No. 763-131-078

Agency Negotiator: Gabriel Martin, City Manager

Negotiating Parties: Industrial Way Properties

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant Exposure to Litigation, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)/(e)(1)

One (1) Potential Case

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

One (1) Potential Case

5. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Agency designated representatives: City Attorney
Employee Organization: City Manager, Unrepresented

6. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956(d) (1)

Maria Guadalupe Ibarra vs. The City of Coachella
Riverside County Superior Court, Case No. CVPS 2102983

No Closed Session

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Councilmember Delgado led the pledge of allegiance.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

7. Presentation on the Services and Programs Provided by the Coachella Valley Braille Institute

Councilmember Delgado requested the City Manager to set up a tour date and information regarding the program so the City can post it on its media resources.

8. 2023-24 Special Event Calendar

Councilmembers directed staff to hold the Fourth of July event on July third.

Mayor Pro Tem Galarza would like to see on the Event Calendar Cesar Chavez Day in March and FarmChella in April.

Councilmember Delgado would like to see the Holiday Parade item back for council discussion for time review.

9. Civic Center Chambers Rendering and Relocation

Councilmember Delgado wants an update on the Arpa Fund, what the city has, what the city has been using for its purpose, and what has been replenished.

Mayor Pro Tem Galarza wants The Arpa Fund and Civic Center Chamber Rendering and Relocation to be brought back as an action item

10. Presentation - City of Coachella Home Enhancement Program

11. Update on Equity and Social Justice AdHoc Subcommittee

12. Small Business Outreach

Councilmembers would like to see option 1, 2, and 3 as action items.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

13. a) The Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce Voice of Business out not + All Valley Mayors Recap
- b) Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District New Release on West Nile Virus Detection in the East Valley
- c) Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substance (PFAS) “Forever” Chemicals Causing Growing Concerns for Municipalities
- d) Lift to Rise in Review - Joined U.S. Rep. Raul Ruiz for a Roundtable on Capitol Hill to Address Inequity and Housing Instability
- e) Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce Partnership Tacos, Tequila, & Chavelas Festival

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.)

14. Regular Meeting Minutes of September 13, 2023, 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, and Successor Agency to the Coachella Redevelopment Agency
15. Voucher Listing- EFT's/Utility Billing Refunds/FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24 Expenditures as of October 11, 2023, \$3,680,519.84
16. Authorization to file a Notice of Completion and Authorize Appropriation of \$56,536.39 from General Fund for the Bagdouma Park Court Improvements City Project P-21, CDBG 4. CO.24-20
17. Convert Avenue 51 and Mecca Street intersection to a three-way stopped controlled intersection as recommended by the Traffic Memorandum for Stop Warrant Analysis

18. Sponsorship of Synergy Music and Arts Festival Event:

a) Sponsorship request from Culturas Music & Arts \$18,600.00 for the 2023 Synergy Music and Arts Festival Event; and

b) Approval for operation of a beer garden on November 11, 2023 at Dateland Park from 4 pm to midnight.

19. Approve Execution of 2023 – 2025 Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Coachella and Desert Recreation District

20. Approve Donation of two Teqball Tables and Installation at Bagdouma Park

21. Resolution 2023-67 Approving an Engineering Traffic Memorandum and Establishing a Speed Limit Change on Avenue 49 within the City of Coachella

22. Recommend Approval of Memorandum of Understanding for Library Operations at the Coachella Library and Coachella Library Annex between the City of Coachella and County of Riverside

23. Approval of the Comparable Housing Analysis and Replacement Housing Valuation per the Uniform Relocation Act for a Maximum Purchase Differential Amount of \$113,000 for the Parcel Located at the Southeast Corner of Avenue 50 and Kenmore Street for the Avenue 50 Widening Project, City Project ST-93

24. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with KOA Corporation in the Amount of \$40,000.00 for the Strategic Growth Council Community Resilience Center Grant Program – Round 1

Motion: To approve the Consent Calendar items

Made by: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa

Seconded by: Councilmember Delgado

Approved: 3-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Virgen and Mayor Hernandez

NEW BUSINESS CALENDAR (LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE):

25. Resolution No. 2023-65, Acknowledging Receipt of a Report made by the Fire Chief of the Riverside County Fire Department Regarding Compliance with the Annual Inspection of Certain Occupancies Pursuant to Sections 13146.2 and 13146.3 of the California Health and Safety Code

Motion: To adopt Resolution No. 2023-65

Made by: Mayor Pro Tem Galarza

Seconded by: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa
Approved: 3-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

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

26. Authorize a Grant in the Amount of \$25,000 to the Civil Rights Institute of Inland Southern California to fund an Exhibition by David Bacon Entitled, *Working Coachella: Images of the Farmworker Community in the Coachella Valley*

Motion: To Authorize a Grant in the Amount of \$25,000 to the Civil Rights Institute of Inland Southern California to fund an Exhibition

Made by: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa
Seconded by: Councilmember Delgado
Approved: 3-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

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

27. Resolution No. 2023-69 Establishing an Adopt-A-Park and Adopt-A-Street Program

Motion: To approve Resolution No. 2023-69

Made by: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa
Seconded by: Councilmember Delgado
Approved: 3-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

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

28. City Council Meetings Discussion

Councilmembers would like to see better results in cancelled meetings and getting them rescheduled. The dark months will remain the same.

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.

Eric Lemus spoke on the Synergy Music and Arts Festival and the support the City of Coachella has given.

REPORTS AND REQUESTS:

Council Comments/Report of Miscellaneous Committees.

Councilmember Delgado will be attending the CVAG Conference and the California League of Cities Conference; she attended El Grito and enjoyed that it was on a Sunday.

Councilmember Dr. Figueroa attended the California League of Cities Conference, Coachella Valley Mosquito & Vector Control meeting to remove standing water. He attended CVAG conference this morning, is attending the Street Vendor Ordinance meeting, and is attending the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

City Manager's Comments

City Manager Martin informed the council that the next meeting is for a study session on the Street Vendor final Ordinance Draft 1 reading in November and Draft 2 reading in December. He purchased a table for the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce event for Councilmembers and staff who want to attend tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:12 PM

Angela Zepeda
City Clerk