

**CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
Regular Meeting of Thursday, April 14 , 2022
City Hall Council Chambers
6360 Fountain Square Drive
Citrus Heights, CA 95621**

CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

The regular council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Middleton.

1. The Flag Salute was led by Vice Mayor Schaefer.
2. Roll Call: Council Members present: Daniels, Miller, Schaefer, Middleton
Council Members absent: Bruins (joined remotely at 7:20 p.m.),
Staff present: Bermudez, Blomquist, Cave, Cimino, Feeney,
Flores, Garing, Huber, Jones, Kempenaar, Reid,
Turcotte, and Zenoni.
3. The video statement was read by City Clerk Reid.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: On a motion by Council Member Miller, seconded by Vice Mayor Schaefer, the City Council approved the agenda.

AYES: Daniels, Miller, Schaefer, Middleton
NOES: None
ABSENT: Bruins

PRESENTATION

4. Proclamation Honoring MealPro as a Business of Distinction

Economic Development and Communication Manager Huber introduced Andy Sartori, owner of MealPro located in Citrus Heights. Vice Mayor Schaefer presented Mr. Sartori with a proclamation recognizing MealPro as a business of distinction in the Citrus Heights community.

5. Proclamation of the City of Citrus Heights Proclaiming April 10-16, 2022, as “National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week”

Council Member Daniels presented Communications Supervisor’s Nikki Bell and Chela Cottrell with a proclamation recognizing April 10-16 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators week. This proclamation recognizes dispatch staff who assist residents on 9-1-1 calls.

6. Proclamation of the City of Citrus Heights Proclaiming April 10-16, 2022, as “National Animal Care & Control Appreciation Week”

Council Member Miller presented Police Services Supervisor Debra Nathan with a proclamation recognizing April 10-16 as National Animal Care and Control Appreciation Week. This week recognizes animal care and control staff who provide care to animals within the Citrus Heights community.

7. Proclamation of the City of Citrus Heights Proclaiming April 17-23, 2022, as "National Volunteer Week"

Mayor Middleton presented Support Services Manager Tiffany Campbell with a proclamation recognizing April 17-23 as National Volunteer week. Volunteers are recognized annually the third week of April.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND REGIONAL BOARD UPDATES

Council Member Bruins recently attended the Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce luncheon. She also attended the USPI Surgery Center ribbon cutting. Council Member Bruins provided an update from the Regional Sanitation board meeting. She also provided an update from the Police Activities League board meeting. Council Member Bruins shared information on upcoming PAL events.

Council Member Daniels provided an update from the Fire 2x2 meeting with Mayor Middleton. He provided an update from a meeting with the Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce president Ray Ward. Council Member Daniels also attended an event at Mesa Verde High School celebrating the development of a sports complex. He also attended the Chamber of Commerce luncheon. Council Member Daniels shared information regarding the Kiwanis Easter lunch and the Mesa Verde vs. San Juan baseball game.

Council Member Miller provided an update from the Sacramento Transportation Authority meeting. He also shared an update from the Sacramento Regional Transit board meeting. Council Member Miller recently attended the USPI Surgery Center ribbon cutting and the Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

Vice Mayor Schaefer wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Mayor Middleton recently attended the USPI Surgery Center ribbon cutting. She also provided an update from the Sacramento Area Council of Governments board retreat.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Debbie Woolley addressed the Council requesting letters of support in opposition to AB2223, SB1464, SB871, SB1479, and AB1993.

Nicky McNally addressed the Council to remind residents to vote on June 7, 2022.

CONSENT CALENDAR

8. **SUBJECT** : Approval of Minutes
RECOMMENDATION : Approve the Minutes of the Special/ Regular Meeting of March 24, 2022

9. **SUBJECT:** Approve Resolution for Continued Remote Meetings in Accordance with AB 361

STAFF: A. Van / R. Jones

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 2022-027, A Resolution Making the Legally Required Findings to Continue to Authorize the Conduct of Remote “Telephonic” Meetings During the State of Emergency

10. Pulled for discussion.

11. Pulled for discussion.

Mayor Middleton requested to hear pulled consent items following item 14.

ACTION: On a motion by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Vice Mayor Schaefer, the City Council adopted Consent Calendar Items 8 and 9.

AYES: Bruins, Daniels, Miller, Schaefer, Middleton

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

REGULAR CALENDAR

12. **SUBJECT:** Approval of Sunrise MarketPlace Property-Based Improvement District 2021 Annual Report

STAFF: M. Huber

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 2022-029, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights, California, Approving the Sunrise MarketPlace 2021 Annual Report

Sunrise MarketPlace Executive Director Kathilynn Carpenter presented the Property-Based Improvement District 2021 Annual Report. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, many public events were placed on hold for the 2021 calendar year. SMP focused on security and cleanliness along the business district and provided their businesses with additional support in regards to safety. SMP continues to support community organizations such as HART, Rotary, and Kiwanis. Carpenter shared information on events scheduled in the business district such as Brews in the Burbs and a robust holiday program.

Council comments followed.

ACTION: On a motion by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member Miller, the City Council, approved Resolution No. 2022-029, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights, California, Approving the Sunrise MarketPlace 2021 Annual Report.

AYES: Bruins, Daniels, Miller, Schaefer, Middleton

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

13. **SUBJECT:** First Reading of Fireworks Regulation and Enforcement Ordinance

STAFF: N. Garing / R. Jones

RECOMMENDATION : Introduce for a first reading, and read it by title only, of Ordinance No. 2022-004, An Ordinance of the City of Citrus Heights Amending Chapter 38 of the Citrus Heights Code Relating to Fireworks

Lieutenant Garing introduced the item to adopt a permanent ordinance in regards to fireworks regulations. Currently the City has a temporary urgency ordinance that establishes a social host fine for use of illegal fireworks, permitted time of use for fireworks, and requires the fireworks ordinance to be posted on city based fireworks stands. The proposed ordinance would make these changes permanent. The ordinance outlines a fine of \$750 for hosting illegal fireworks, a subsequent fine of \$1,000, and cost recovery for subsequent responses or emergency responses. The current urgency ordinance expires June 23, 2022.

Council comments and discussion followed.

ACTION: Council Member Daniels made a motion, seconded by Council Member Miller to introduce for a first reading, and read it by title only, of Ordinance No. 2022-004, An Ordinance of the City of Citrus Heights Amending Chapter 38 of the Citrus Heights Code Relating to Fireworks with the modification of the time of use violation for legal fireworks reduced to \$250.

AYES: Daniels, Miller
NOES: Bruins, Schaefer, Middleton
ABSENT: None

The motion failed.

ACTION: On a motion by Council Member Bruins, seconded by Vice Mayor Schaefer, the City Council Introduced for a first reading, and read by title only, Ordinance No. 2022-004, An Ordinance of the City of Citrus Heights Amending Chapter 38 of the Citrus Heights Code Relating to Fireworks.

AYES: Bruins, Schaefer, Middleton
NOES: Daniels, Miller
ABSENT: None

14. **SUBJECT:** Drive-through Facilities Discussion

STAFF: C. Kempenaar / A. Bermudez

RECOMMENDATION : Review staff presentation and provide direction to staff for future action.

Senior Planner Bermudez provided council with a presentation discussing drive-through facilities in Citrus Heights. This is a discussion item only, with no action items presented. Bermudez discussed existing facilities and the process at which these projects are approved. Citrus Heights has seventy drive-through facilities, which includes restaurants, pharmacies, car washes, and banks. Most of the drive-through facilities are located along main corridors in the City. Approximately 49 of the drive-through facilities were in Citrus Heights pre-incorporation. Existing regulations discourage concentration of auto intensive

facilities and ensure that drive-through businesses are allowed only where they are compatible with surrounding areas. These regulations can be found in the City's General Plan, Zoning Code, and the Specific Plans. The review process for proposed drive-throughs includes a planning permit, which requires a noise and traffic study. The City's Planning Commission reviews the findings from the noise and traffic study prior to approving an application. The sales tax revenue that drive-through quick service restaurants provide to the City is comparable to the revenue generated by sit down restaurants. Many of these drive-through restaurants have seen an increase in business during COVID-19 restrictions. Bermudez noted that one quick service owner shared his business is 80% drive-through and 15% delivery, with only 5% being dine-in sales.

Community Development Director Kempenaar highlighted the comparison of land use for commercial and drive-through establishments. Kempenaar discussed the opportunities and challenges faced with drive-through services.

Bermudez discussed options for approving drive-through projects in Citrus Heights. These options include modifying current regulations, regulating projects by locations, or instituting a ban/moratorium on drive-through projects.

Council Member Bruins stated she wishes to remain a business friendly community and she wants to make sure that reputation is not diminished by implementing new restrictions. She stated that new restrictions may or may not effect traffic congestion along busy corridors.

Council Member Daniels stated that families want options and quick service restaurants have become the most popular and convenient for them. He stated that his main concern would be vacant drive-through facilities. Council Member Daniels stated any projects should make sure that cars are not congesting traffic. Council Member Daniels additionally stated he does not wish to push away future development by instituting restrictions.

Council Member Miller stated that public perception does not always align with what is really going on. He does not want to regulate how businesses conduct themselves. He would encourage future projects look at circulation and taking into account possible traffic congestion.

Vice Mayor Schaefer stated he would support a policy to address traffic congestion. He wishes to remain a business friendly community but also wants to address concerns from the residents as they come forward.

Mayor Middleton stated she does not wish to tell a business how and where they should be operating. She stated she does not want to discourage economic development in the City.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULED FOR DISCUSSION

10. **SUBJECT:** Approval of the Final Subdivision Map and Subdivision Improvement Agreement for Citrus Place Subdivision
STAFF: R. Cave / L. Blomquist / A. Flores

RECOMMENDATION : Adopt Resolution No. 2022-028, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights, California, Approving the Final Subdivision Map and Subdivision Improvement Agreement for Citrus Place Subdivision

Council Member Miller pulled item 10 to request clarification on updates recently made to the resolution.

City Attorney Jones provided clarification, stating that the developer has had a delay in getting the performance bonds for the subdivision map. Typically, Council would want to have those bonds in hand prior to approving a project, so staff added language stating approval is based on the condition that bonds are received by April 22.

ACTION: On a motion by Council Member Miller, seconded by Council Member Daniels, the City Council adopted Consent Calendar Item 10.

AYES: Bruins, Daniels, Miller, Schaefer, Middleton
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

11. **SUBJECT**: Amendment Business License Ordinance - Short-term Rentals Second Reading

STAFF: C. Kempenaar / A. Bermudez

RECOMMENDATION : Adopt Ordinance No. 2022-003, An Ordinance of the City of Citrus Heights, California, Amending Chapter 22 (Businesses) and Chapter 86 (Taxation) of the Municipal Code and Adding Section 22-451 through 22-460 Regarding Short-term Rentals

Council Member Daniels requested to pull item 11 in order to hold a separate vote.

ACTION: On a motion by Council Member Miller, seconded by Council Member Bruins, the City Council adopted Consent Calendar Item 11.

AYES: Bruins, Miller, Schaefer, Middleton
 NOES: Daniels
 ABSENT: None

CITY MANAGER ITEMS

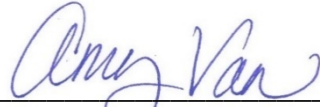
City Manager Feeney shared with the Council that the Sunrise Tomorrow Project recently won the Award of Merit for Outstanding Planning Document 2022 from the Association of Environmental Planners.

ITEMS REQUESTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS/ FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Middleton adjourned the regular meeting at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amy Van". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Amy Van, City Clerk