

**CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS  
CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
Regular Meeting of Thursday, August 25 , 2022  
City Hall Council Chambers and Virtually  
6360 Fountain Square Drive  
Citrus Heights, CA 95621**

**CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER**

The regular council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Middleton.

1. The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Miller.
2. Roll Call: Council Members present: Bruins, Daniels, Miller, Schaefer, Middleton  
Council Members absent: None  
Staff present: Blomquist, Cave, Feeney, Huber, Jones, Kempenaar, Myers, Reid, Singer, Talwar, Turcotte, and Van.
3. The video statement was read by City Clerk Van.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Lisa Strange, with the California Department of Insurance, addressed the Council. She shared information on two programs Citrus Heights residents could be eligible for. One program is the California Low cost auto insurance program, which is a state sponsored program to offer affordable insurance to those who meet set requirements. The second is the Senior Gateway website, which is a one-stop for seniors and their caregivers to find all resources in one location. The website is seniors.ca.gov.

Thomas Spencer addressed the Council regarding his desire to name the open space along Greenback Lane. The open space is home to the City's public art piece, "Up & Away", but the area does not have a designated name.

Michael Lagomarsino addressed the Council regarding the upcoming election. As the former president of the REACH board and active member of the Neighborhood Association, he wanted to remind these organizations that they cannot endorse

candidates for the election. Individuals can endorse a particular candidate, but they cannot endorse as an organization.

## **PRESENTATION**

4. Presentation by Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) - 2024 Blueprint, the Big Picture: Long Range Regional Planning

Operations Manager Poole introduced James Corless with the Sacramento Area Council of Governments. Corless gave a presentation on the SACOG Blueprint for Long Range Regional Planning. This regional planning document takes into account the growth seen at a local level and outlines how municipalities can accommodate the increased demand. SACOG expects the growth rate will slow down, but the overall impact will require infrastructure improvements. The three main areas of focus are equity, economy, and environmental sustainability. SACOG is largely known for focusing on transportation, housing, and economic development. Corless discussed how the region will need to get creative when it comes to rethinking transportation and regional needs. As SACOG begins putting together this regional planning document, they intend to conduct extensive outreach and education to understand resident priorities. Initiatives include the Green Means Go, Ready, Set, Trails, and other programming.

## **COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND REGIONAL BOARD UPDATES**

Council Member Daniels shared an update from the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District board meeting.

Council Member Bruins provided an update from Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District board meeting. She also shared information for a viewing and reception honoring the late Jim Cook.

Council Member Miller provided an update from the Sacramento Regional Transit board meeting. He also shared information regarding free rides on Regional Transit for all students.

Vice Mayor Schaefer attended meetings for Neighborhood Area 5 and 10.

Mayor Middleton had no updates at this time.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

5. **SUBJECT**: Second Reading - Zoning Code Updates  
**STAFF**: C. Kempenaar / E. Singer  
**RECOMMENDATION**: Adopt Ordinance No. 2022-007, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights Amending Section 106.32 (Affordable Housing Incentives) of Chapter 106 of the Citrus Heights Municipal Code (Zoning Code Section)

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6. **SUBJECT:** Second Reading - Abandonment of Setback in Larchmont Rosewood Subdivision  
**STAFF:** C. Kempenaar / E. Singer  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Ordinance No. 2022-008, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights Approving Abandonment of an Existing 25-Foot Setback on Thirty Parcels Located within the Larchmont Rosewood Subdivision (APN 209-0690-003, -004, -050, -051, -065, -066, 209-0700-005 Through -016, -029, -030, 209-0710-011, -012, -018, -019, -021 Through -026)

**ACTION:** On a motion by Council Member Bruins, seconded by Vice Mayor Schaefer, the City Council adopted Consent Calendar Items 5 and 6.

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

### **REGULAR CALENDAR**

7. **SUBJECT:** Designation of Voting Delegate and Alternate(s) for the League of California Cities Annual Conference  
**STAFF:** A. Van / H. Reid  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the City Council designate a voting delegate and alternate(s) to participate at the Annual Business Meeting on September 9, 2022 during the League of California Cities Annual Conference.

Management Analyst Reid introduced the item. She stated the League of California Cities Conference will take place September 7-9, 2022 in Long Beach. During the League of California Cities Business meeting on September 8, voting delegates will adopt the proposed amendments to the League by-laws. The voting delegate must be registered to attend the conference. The only Council Member registered to attend is Mayor Middleton.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Council Member Bruins, seconded by Council Member Miller, the City Council Delegated Mayor Middleton to serve as the Voting Delegate at the Annual Business Meeting on September 9, 2022 during the League of California Cities Annual Conference.

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

8. **SUBJECT:** Community Block Party Trailer Program Approval  
**STAFF:** M. Huber/ C. Myers  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the City Council approve the Citrus Heights Community Block Party Trailer Program.

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Economic Development and Community Engagement Director Huber introduced the item for the Community Block Party Trailer. Huber discussed the strategic planning retreat goal of enhanced community vibrancy and engagement. At the May 10 strategic planning retreat, Council set a goal to purchase and outfit a Community Block Party Trailer for community groups to rent, which is stocked with essentials to host events. Council previously allocated \$50,000 to implement the project.

Facilities Manager Myers stated the trailer has been purchased and will be completely outfitted with essentials for community events.

Huber mentioned that this block party trailer is to be available for Citrus Heights Neighborhood Association groups, community organizations, and similar groups who are registered with the Community Engagement department. Individual residents and businesses are not eligible to reserve the block party trailer for private events. Reservations for the trailer are based on a first come first serve basis. No reservations are accepted sooner than six months in advance. Program implementation will launch in winter 2022.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Michael Lagomarsino addressed the Council regarding his support for the Block Party Trailer Program.

Council comments and feedback followed.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Council Member Bruins, seconded by Vice Mayor Schaefer, the City Council approved the Citrus Heights Community Block Party Trailer Program.

AYES: Bruins, Daniels, Miller, Schaefer, Middleton

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

9. **SUBJECT:** Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with the Life Foundation related to the Auburn Oaks Facility at 7501 Sunrise Boulevard

**STAFF:** A. Feeney / R. Jones

**RECOMMENDATION :** Adopt Resolution No. 2022-092, A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Citrus Heights, California, Authorizing The City To Enter Into A Memorandum Of Understanding With The Life Foundation Related To The Auburn Oaks Affordable Senior Housing Project Located At 7501 Sunrise Boulevard

City Manager Feeney introduced the item before Council. At the August 11 City Council closed session, Council directed the City Manager to execute a non-binding letter of intent with the Life Foundation. The Life Foundation initially reached out to staff regarding an opportunity to pursue a collaborative grant application for the purchase of the Auburn Oaks Senior Apartments. The Life Foundation intends to keep the Senior

Apartment complex as a low-income facility. The goal of the Life Foundation is to ensure the property remains in service to the local low-income senior population.

City Attorney Jones discussed the Memorandum of Understanding that was created from the non-binding Letter of Intent. He highlighted the City's partnership with the Life Foundation is to pursue Community Care Expansion Program grant funding from the state. The Life Foundation would own and be responsible for the operation and management of the senior housing project. Additionally, the City has review and approval rights for changes in management companies that will operate the facility. The City will not contribute any funding for this project.

Council comments and discussion followed.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Vice Mayor Schaefer, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-092, authorizing the City to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with The Life Foundation related to the Auburn Oaks Affordable Senior Housing Project Located At 7501 Sunrise Boulevard.

AYES: Bruins, Daniels, Miller, Schaefer, Middleton

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

None

### **CITY MANAGER ITEMS**

City Manager Feeney informed Council that the September 8 City Council meeting has been cancelled due to the League of California Cities Conference. He also shared the City was recognized by the Sacramento Chapter of the American Public Works Association for successful delivery of the Mariposa Safe Routes to School Project. Lastly, he informed the Council that the Citrus Heights Police Department had two recruits graduate from the Police Academy and receive their badges.

### **ITEMS REQUESTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS/ FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Vice Mayor Schaefer requested a future item to name the open space on Greenback Lane, Council Member Daniels and Mayor Middleton supported this item. Council Member Bruins requested the Economic Development and Community Engagement Director oversee a process to name the open space.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

10. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section § 54956.9(d)(4)  
1 case

11. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6  
Agency designated representatives: Ashley Feeney, City Manager  
Employee organizations: Unrepresented Employees (All)

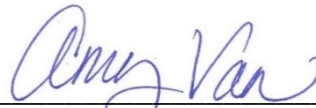
**REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

There was no reportable action from closed session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Middleton adjourned the regular meeting at 8:12 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