

**MINUTES**  
**GLENDALE CITY COUNCIL**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**613 E. Broadway, 2nd Floor Glendale, CA 91206**  
**DECEMBER 10, 2024**

**ROLL CALL** – Absent: Kassakhian

**1. CLOSED SESSION** – 3:43 p.m.

- a. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation: Najarian v. City of Glendale, L.A.S.C. Case No. 24STCP02101; Claim of Najarian, No. 25-0009**

Councilmember Najarian recused himself due to a possible conflict of interest. City Attorney Mike Garcia indicated that action is not anticipated. Council recessed to closed session at 3:44 p.m.

**2. REGULAR BUSINESS AGENDA** – 6:03 PM

**Roll Call** – All Present

- a. **Flag Salute: Mayor Elen Asatryan**
- b. **Invocation: Dr. Suzie Abajian, City Clerk**
- c. **Report of the City Clerk, re: Posting of Agenda. The Agenda for the December 10, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Glendale City Council was Posted on December 6, 2024, on the Bulletin Board Outside City Hall.**

**3. PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

- a. **Agenda Preview for the Meetings of Tuesday, December 17, 2024**  
Asst. City Manager John Takhtalian provided the preview.
- b. **Proclamation Designating December 13, 2024, as Mothers Against Drunk Drivers Day – MADD**  
Georgina Avilez, MADD Southern California Program Director

**4. CONSENT ITEMS** (Including Minutes)

The following are Routine and May be Acted Upon by One Motion. Any Member of Council or the Audience Requesting Separate Consideration May do so by Making Such Request Before Motion is Proposed.

- a. **City Clerk, re: Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of November 19 and Special City Council and Regular City Council Meetings of December 3, 2024**

Moved: Najarian

Seconded: Gharpetian

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

- b. **Glendale Water and Power, re: Specification No. 4002 for Glendale Water & Power Department City-Wide Utility Street Repairs Project**

- 1. Resolution 24-193 adopting Specification No. 4002 for the GWP City-Wide Utility Street Repairs Project, and directing the City Clerk to advertise for bids

Seconded: Gharpetian

## Vote as Follows

**Ayes:** Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain:     None

**c. Public Works, re: Professional Services Agreement for the Development and Implementation of the Street Furniture Program**

1. Motion authorizing the City Manager, or their designee, to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Gobis & Company, LLC, for consulting services to develop and implement a Bus Shelter and Transit Bus Advertising Program, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$61,150

Moved: Najarian

Seconded: Gharpetian

## Vote as Follows

**Ayes:** Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

d. **Public Works, re: Execution of Transfer Agreement between the City of Glendale and Los Angeles County Flood Control District, Agreement No. 2020RPULAR10, Safe, Clean Water Program - Regional Program**

1. Motion Authorizing the City Manager or a designee to enter into a Transfer Agreement between the City of Glendale and Los Angeles County Flood Control District, Agreement No. 2023RPULAR06, Safe, Clean Water Program – Regional Program, for the California Avenue and Adjacent Streets Stormwater Capture Project

Moved: Najarian

Seconded: Gharpetian

## Vote as Follows

Ayes: Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

## 5. CITY COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

Councilmember Gharpetian attended the Glendale Realtors Association Award and Installation Annual Ceremony, Christmas Tree Lighting at the City Hall Parcher Plaza, City of Glendale Employee Holiday Party, and the Montrose Christmas Parade.

Councilmember Kassakhian attended the Montrose Christmas Parade and reminded everyone to shop local.

Mayor Asatryan congratulated Supervisor Kathryn Barger, who was appointed as the Chair of the LA County Board of Supervisors. Asatryan announced there will be a Special City Council Meeting on December 19<sup>th</sup> with Senator Sasha Perez and Assemblymembers Nick Schultz and Jessica Caloza, to discuss priorities and funding requests for the City of Glendale. She stated there will also be a similar meeting in January with Supervisor Barger, Senator-Elect Adam Schiff, and Congresswoman-Elect Laura Friedman.

**6. COMMUNITY EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS (3-Minutes; 5-Speaker Limit)**

Per Mayor Policy, This Item Also Permits Speakers Wishing to Speak Under General Oral Communications, Subject to the Three Minute Time Limit. Discussion is Limited to Matters Not on the Agenda.

Tony Passarella  
Tamara Movsesyan  
Mike Mohill  
John Arangio  
Ramella Eraghi

Agenda out of order. Item 8c read next.

**7. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES**

**8. ACTION ITEMS**

**a. Police Department, re: Acceptance and Appropriation of BJA 2024 DNA Capacity Enhancement for Backlog Reduction Grant**

1. Motion authorizing acceptance of the BJA 2024 DNA Capacity Enhancement for Backlog Reduction Grant and authorizing the City Manager, or a designee, to execute the necessary agreements, certification, and other documents required to accept the Grant

Moved: Kassakhian

Seconded: Brotman

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

2. Resolution 24-194 of appropriation to appropriate \$243,744 in BJA 2024 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Grant funds

Moved: Kassakhian

Seconded: Brotman

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

3. Resolution 24-195 to dispense with competitive bidding and authorize the Deputy Director of Finance – Purchasing to issue a purchase order with Hamilton Company in the amount of \$400,000 over 3 years

Moved: Kassakhian

Seconded: Brotman

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

4. Motion to authorize the Deputy Director of Finance – Purchasing to increase the current purchase order with Life Technologies in the amount of \$1,000,000 for a total of \$3,500,000

Moved: Kassakhian

Seconded: Brotman

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**b. Glendale Water and Power, re: Amendment No. 3 to Contract No. 8000616 with ARB, Inc. for Ongoing Grayson Site Mechanical and Field Service Support**

1. Resolution 24-196 dispensing with competitive bidding and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to execute Amendment No. 3 to existing specialized Mechanical and Field Services for Glendale Water and Power's Grayson Power Plant with ARB, Inc., Contract No. 8000616, to extend the term of the Contract by nine months

Moved: Najarian

Seconded: Brotman

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**c. Public Works, re: Direction on the North Brand Boulevard Complete Streets Demonstration Project**

Staff Comments:

Roubik Golanian, City Manager

Pastor Casanova, Principal Traffic Engineer

Daniel Hernandez, Director of Public Works

Greg Fish, Fire Chief

Manny Cid, Police Chief

Presenting:

Armen Avazian, Principal Civil Engineer

Public Comments:

Susan Broussalian

Roubina Mirzakhanian

Maya McCollum

Armen Avedia

Lorna Vartanian

Carlo Hakopian

Tom Brown

John Arangio

Patrick Murphy

Lee Straus

Tony Sardo, Jr.

Anahid Agemian  
Lisa Kuta  
Grant George  
Frank Beer  
Greg McKay  
Jessica George  
Rooh Steif  
Nishan Odabashian  
Beth Brooks  
Corey DeCola  
Kara Sergile  
Dorothy Melendy  
Alek Bartrosouf  
Vigen Ghazarian  
Nick Gamboa  
Randy Stevenson  
Lynda Beck  
Mike Mohill  
David Billett  
Ramella Eraghi  
Sonia Silva  
David Mednikov  
Shane Lee  
Brenna Cancilla  
Albert Isagulian  
Mickey Parseghian  
Edmond Cariolagian  
Candy Sorgani  
Janet Bonifer  
Armenoush Hairapetian  
Hratch Segikian  
Anonymous 1  
Ani Garibian  
Cheryl Wells  
Vivian Kanchian  
Armen Kanyan  
Arman  
Fernando Roldan  
Alex Galleros  
Judy Schlegel  
Derick Malian  
Karen Betzold  
Anonymous 2  
Talar  
Erika

1. Motion adopting revised plans, directing staff to implement adjustments to the roadway striping and installed bike lanes, executing a change order to contract 8002427 with Sterndahl Enterprises, LLC for the temporary adjustments, increasing the contract amount by \$235,120, authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the contract change order, and directing staff to continue the demonstration

- project for a period of six months after the adjustments (Option 1)
2. Motion adopting revised plans, directing staff to implement adjustments to the roadway striping to convert the quick build bike lanes to two-way cycle track located on the east side of Brand Boulevard, and return the southbound direction to two-lane traffic configuration, executing a change order to contract 8002427 with Sterndahl Enterprises, LLC for the adjustments, increasing the contract amount by \$534,400, authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the contract change order, and directing staff to continue the demonstration project for a period of six months after the adjustments (Option 2)
  3. Motion adopting revised plans, directing staff to remove installed bike lanes and the implemented changes, and revert the street to its original condition, executing a change order to contract 8002427 with Sterndahl Enterprises, LLC for the reversion, increasing the contract amount by \$527,696, and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the contract change order (Option 3)

Moved: Najarian

Seconded: Gharpetian

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan

Noes: Brotman

Absent: None

Abstain: None

4. Resolution of appropriation to appropriate \$235,120 for the North Brand Boulevard Complete Streets Demonstration Project, to fund the implementation of the temporary adjustments and continue the demonstration project for six months (Option 1)
5. Resolution of appropriation to appropriate \$534,400 for the North Brand Boulevard Complete Streets Demonstration Project, to fund the implementation of a two-way cycle track alternative and continue the demonstration project for another six months (Option 2)
6. Resolution 24-197 of appropriation to appropriate \$527,696 for the North Brand Boulevard Complete Streets Demonstration Project, to fund reverting the street to its original alignment (Option 3)

Moved: Najarian

Seconded: Gharpetian

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan

Noes: Brotman

Absent: None

Abstain: None

## **9. HEARINGS**

## **10. REPORTS - INFORMATION**

## **11. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

**12. DISCUSSION OF COUNCILMEMBER FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS**

**a. Councilmember Najarian's Request to Agendize a Discussion to Extend the Nomination Period for Boards and Commissions**

Moved: Najarian

Seconded: Kassakhian

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**13. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Discussion is Limited to Items NOT a Part of this Agenda. Each Speaker is Allowed 5 minutes. Council May Question or Respond to The Speaker But There Will be no Debate or Decision. The City Manager May Refer the Matter to the Appropriate Department for Investigation and Report.

Jordan Henry

Dorothy Melendy

Gayane

Herbert Molano's letter read by City Clerk Abajian

**14. NEW BUSINESS**

**15. ADJOURNMENT – 10:48 p.m.**

Moved: Najarian

Seconded: Brotman

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Mayor of the City of Glendale

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City Clerk of the City of Glendale