

MINUTES
GLENDALE CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
613 E. Broadway, 2nd Floor Glendale, CA 91206
NOVEMBER 7, 2023

ROLL CALL – Absent: Devine

1. CLOSED SESSION – 3:59 p.m.

- a. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraphs (d)(2) and (e)(1) & (2) of Government Code Section 54956.9: Two potential cases**
- b. **Conference with real property negotiators. City negotiators attending the closed session are: Roubik Golanian, John Takhtalian, Bradley Calvert, Jason Bradford, Michael J. Garcia, and Gillian van Muyden. Property location: Approximately 3,720 s.f. lot at the northwest corner of N. Central Ave. and W. Glenoaks Blvd. adjacent to 1015 N. Central Avenue (APN 5636-007-903). Negotiating Parties: Western Diocese of the Armenian Church of North America. Instructions to the negotiator(s) will concern the price and terms for the sale of City-owned property**

City Attorney Mike Garcia indicated that action is not anticipated. Council recessed to closed session at 4:00 p.m.

2. REGULAR BUSINESS AGENDA – 6:05 PM

Roll Call – Absent: Devine

- a. **Flag Salute: Mayor Dan Brotman**
- b. **Invocation: Suzie Abajian, City Clerk**
- c. **Report of the City Clerk, re: Posting of Agenda. The Agenda for the November 7, 2023 Regular Meeting of the Glendale City Council was Posted on November 2, 2023, on the Bulletin Board Outside City Hall.**

3. PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

- a. **Agenda Preview for the Meetings of Tuesday, November 14, 2023**
Asst. City Manager John Takhtalian provided the preview.

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.

Item 4b pulled for separate consideration.

a. City Clerk, re: Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of October 31, 2023

Moved: Najarian

Seconded: Asatryan

Ayes: Asatryan, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

Noes: None

Absent: Devine

Abstain: None

b. Management Services, re: Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with Rincon Consultants, Inc. to include an update of the General Plan Safety Element

Staff Comment:

Roubik Golanian, City Manager

Public Comments:

Allan Durham

Reema Shakhra, Rincon Consultants, Inc.

1. Motion authorizing the City Manager to Amend the Professional Services Agreement with Rincon Consultants, Inc., to include an update of the General Plan Safety Element as part of the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan preparation for an additional cost of \$135,683, and a revised total not to exceed contact amount of \$455,683

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Kassakhian

Ayes: Asatryan, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

Noes: None

Absent: Devine

Abstain: None

2. Resolution 23-162 of appropriation in the amount of \$135,683

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Kassakhian

Ayes: Asatryan, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

Noes: None

Absent: Devine

Abstain: None

5. CITY COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

Councilmember Kassakhian attended the grand opening of the Sunshine Preserve, a crucial wildlife passageway in Glendale. He also attended the Dia De Los Muertos event at the Glendale Central Library and the Armenian American Medical Society Health Fair at Pacific Community Center. Kassakhian received information from concerned tenants from the Glendale Gardens apartment complex regarding eviction notices. He asked staff to investigate this issue and to provide a brief update.

Mayor Brotman commended the Library, Arts, and Culture Department and Jennifer Quinonez-Skinner for planning a successful Dia De Los Muertos event. Brotman nominated Rima Gregorian Cameron for the CDBG Committee. He asked staff to provide a report for discussion on an electric shuttle program called "Circuit" and information on Renoviction Ordinance. Brotman asked staff to provide more information on the GWP Cost of Service Analysis rate increases for the last 10 years, alternatives other than utility rate increases, how the City of Glendale compares to other neighboring cities on utility rates, and the reasons for the delays of the Scholl Canyon project and Grayson Power Plant project.

Councilmember Asatryan asked staff to provide documents for review regarding the emergency moratorium on evictions. She watched the Design Review Board meeting regarding the preliminary stages of the Glendale Gardens apartment complex renovation project and stated there is not enough information currently for Council to review. She attended the California Armenian Legislative Caucus event and stated that the Governor's

Office of Business and Economic Development (Go-Biz) provided information on grant opportunities for small businesses specifically for restaurants. More information can be found at <https://business.ca.gov/>. Asatryan asked Glendale Economic Development Department to collaborate with Go-Biz.

6. COMMUNITY EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS (3-Minutes)

Diane Lambillotte

7. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

- a. Management Services, re: Ordinance of the City of Glendale Amending Title 8, Chapter 8.42 of the Glendale Municipal Code, 1995, to Prohibit the use of Polystyrene Products and Single-use Plastics**

Item 7a continued to next week's meeting.

Staff Comments:

Roubik Golanian, City Manager

Gillian van Muyden, Chief Asst. City Attorney

Presenting:

David Jones, Sustainability Officer

Public Comments:

Jackie Gish

Mike Mohill

Jennifer

Monica Campagna

8. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Fire Department, re: Purchase of personal protective equipment – turnout gear for the Glendale Fire Department**

Presenting:

Greg Fish, Acting Fire Chief

1. Resolution 23-163 adopting Fire-Dex products as the City's standard for specialized personal protective equipment and turnout gear and dispensing with competitive bidding for the procurement of Fire-Dex products and related services from Municipal Emergency Services, Inc. (MES)

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Kassakhian

Ayes: Asatryan, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

Noes: None

Absent: Devine

Abstain: None

2. Resolution 23-164 of Appropriation to appropriate \$147,000 from the Fire Mutual Aid Fund for the purchase of personal protective equipment – turnout gear

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Kassakhian

Ayes: Asatryan, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

Noes: None

Absent: Devine

Abstain: None

b. Public Works, re: Beeline Maintenance Facility Bus Electrification and Parking Deck Design and Management/Owner Representative Services for the Parking Deck and Electrification Infrastructure, Award of Professional Services Agreements

Staff Comment:

Yazdan Emrani, Director of Public Works

1. Motion authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Stantec Architecture Inc., for the Beeline Maintenance Facility Bus Electrification and Parking Deck Design for \$1,350,000

Moved: Kassakhian Seconded: Najarian

Ayes: Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan (pro tem)

Noes: None

Absent: Brotman, Devine

Abstain: None

2. Motion authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute a Professional Services Agreement with The LeFlore Group, LLC for Project Management/Owner Representative Services for the Glendale Beeline Bus Maintenance Facility Parking Deck and Electrification Infrastructure for \$399,862

Moved: Kassakhian Seconded: Najarian

Ayes: Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan (pro tem)

Noes: None

Absent: Brotman, Devine

Abstain: None

3. Resolution 23-165 of appropriation for \$1,399,862 for the agreements

Moved: Kassakhian Seconded: Najarian

Ayes: Kassakhian, Najarian, Asatryan (pro tem)

Noes: None

Absent: Brotman, Devine

Abstain: None

c. City Clerk, re: Calling for and giving notice of the General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2024

Staff Comment:

Suzie Abajian, City Clerk

1. Resolution 23-166 Calling and Giving Notice of the Holding of a General Municipal Election to be Held on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, in the City of Glendale, for the Election of Certain Officers as Required by the Provisions of the Laws of the State of California Relating to Charter Cities

Moved: Asatryan Seconded: Najarian

Ayes: Asatryan, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

Noes: None

Absent: Devine

Abstain: None

2. Resolution 23-167 Requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles to Direct the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to Render Full Consolidated Election Services, with the Exception of Candidate Filing, to Said City Relating to the Conduct of a General Municipal Election to be Held on March 5, 2024

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Kassakhian

Ayes: Asatryan, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

Noes: None

Absent: Devine

Abstain: None

3. Resolution 23-168 Setting Forth Regulations Relating to Candidate Statements for the March 5, 2024 General Municipal Election

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Kassakhian

Ayes: Asatryan, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

Noes: None

Absent: Devine

Abstain: None

4. Resolution 23-169 of Appropriation in the amount of \$591,547 for the March 5, 2024 Election

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Kassakhian

Ayes: Asatryan, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

Noes: None

Absent: Devine

Abstain: None

9. HEARINGS

- a. **Public Works, re: Public Hearing on the Appeal of the Decision of the Director of Public Works Granting Encroachment Permit No. EP-823 for the Installation of Wireless Telecommunications Facilities in the Public Right of Way located in front of 1544 W. Kenneth Road**

Hearing opened at 7:59 p.m. and closed at 9:33 p.m.

Staff Comments:

Roubik Golanian, City Manager

Yazdan Emrani, Director of Public Works

Mike Garcia, City Attorney

Sarkis Oganessian, Deputy Director of Public Works/City Engineer

Mark Young, General Manager of GWP

Presenting:

Dorine Martirosian, Principal Assistant City Attorney

Public Comments:

Patrick Masihi, Appellant

Alexander Novak, Extenet

Joe Milone, Extenet

Yvan Poissant

Tina Malekian

Allen Dish

Mike Mohill

Victoria Valentine
Shaker Aro

1. Motion DENYING the appeal and upholding the decision of the Director of Public Works granting Encroachment Permit No. EP-823
2. Motion GRANTING the appeal, reversing the decision of the Director of Public Works, and continuing the matter until November 28, 2023, for the City Attorney to prepare findings consistent with Council direction

No decision. Item will come back on the next agenda.

Council recessed for five minutes and reconvened at 9:45 p.m.

b. City Attorney, re: Fifth Public Hearing Regarding the Composition of Council Districts Related to the City's Proposed Transition to District-Based Councilmember Elections and Discussion of Potential Amendments to City Charter

Presenting:

Mike Garcia, City Attorney

Doug Johnson, National Demographics Corporation

Public Comments:

Julia Hatter

Vartan Gharpetian

Allen Dish

Dulce Ambriz

Alex

Allan Durham

Mike Mohill

Vahan Aladadi

1. Motion Directing Staff Regarding Council Districts

Moved: Kassakhian

Seconded: Asatryan

Ayes: Asatryan, Kassakhian, Brotman

Noes: Najarian

Absent: Devine

Abstain: None

2. Motion Directing Staff Regarding Potential Charter Amendments

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Kassakhian

Ayes: Asatryan, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

Noes: None

Absent: Devine

Abstain: None

10. REPORTS - INFORMATION

11. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

12. DISCUSSION OF COUNCILMEMBER FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS

- a. **Mayor Brotman's Request to Agendize Impacts of Court Decision in California Restaurant Association v. the City of Berkeley on the City's Building Electrification Ordinance and Related Options**

Item removed from the agenda.

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.

Grace Brands
Roberto
Maria Segura
Liz Radley
Allen Dish
Edward
Alex

14. NEW BUSINESS

15. ADJOURNMENT – 11:29 p.m.

Moved: Kassakhian

Seconded: Asatryan

Mayor of the City of Glendale

City Clerk of the City of Glendale