

MINUTES
GLENDALE CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
613 E. Broadway, 2nd Floor Glendale, CA 91206
JANUARY 30, 2024

ROLL CALL – absent: Kassakhian

1. CLOSED SESSION – 3:00 p.m.

- a. **Conference with Labor Negotiators.** The City-designated negotiators attending the closed session are: Roubik Golanian, John Takhtalian, Michael J. Garcia, Gillian van Muyden, Paula Adams, Aymee Martin, Jason Bradford and Laura Kalty. The name of the employee organization is: Glendale Management Association
- b. **Conference with Labor Negotiators.** The City-designated negotiator attending the closed session is: Mayor Dan Brotman. The unrepresented employee position is: City Attorney
- c. **Conference with real property negotiators.** City negotiators attending the closed session are: Roubik Golanian, John Takhtalian, Onnig Bulanikian, Bradley Calvert, Mark Berry, Jason Bradford, Michael J. Garcia, and Gillian van Muyden. Instructions to the negotiator(s) will concern the price and terms for the acquisition of property
Property Location No. 1: 520 & 534 N. Glendale Avenue Negotiating Parties: Glendale 3D LLC and MCMB Glendale LLC
Property Location No. 2: 115 to 123 W. Wilson Avenue Negotiating Parties: Lillie S. Makharian
- d. **Conference with Legal Counsel - Pending Litigation: Claim of Tonyan, Claim No. 23- 0231**
- e. **Conference with Legal Counsel - Pending Litigation: Claim of Escobar, Claim No. 23-0037**
- f. **Conference with Legal Counsel - Pending Litigation: Claim of State Farm (Whipple), Claim No. 23-0008**

Item 1c moved to next week's meeting. City Attorney Mike Garcia indicated that action is anticipated on items 1d and 1f. Council recessed to closed session at 3:02 p.m.

2. REGULAR BUSINESS AGENDA – 6:00 PM

Roll Call – All Present

Motion to approve Councilmember Kassakhian's attendance via teleconference.

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Devine

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Asatryan, Devine, Kassakhian, Brotman, Najarian (pro tem)
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

- a. **Flag Salute: Mayor Pro Tem Najarian**
- b. **Invocation: Dr. Suzie Abajian, City Clerk**
- c. **Report of the City Clerk, re: Posting of Agenda.** The Agenda for the January 30, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Glendale City Council was Posted on January 25, 2024, on the Bulletin Board Outside City Hall.

3. PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

a. Agenda Preview for the Meetings of Tuesday, February 6, 2024

Asst. City Manager John Takhtalian provided the preview.

b. Presentation by the Pasadena Humane Society on Wildlife/Coyote Management Plan

Lauren Hamlett, Director of Wildlife Education and Services

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 January 23, 2024

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Devine

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Asatryan, Devine, Kassakhian, Brotman, Najarian (pro tem)

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

b. Public Works, re: Award of a Professional Services Agreement for the Update of the Fleet Electrification Study

1. Motion awarding a Professional Services Agreement to Center for Transportation and the Environment for \$102,200 for the Update to the Glendale Fleet Electrification Study

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Devine

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Asatryan, Devine, Kassakhian, Brotman, Najarian (pro tem)

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

5. CITY COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

Mayor Brotman requested to agendize for discussion a Coyote Management Plan. Brotman just came back from his trip to Japan where he met with our Sister City, Higashiosaka. He will talk about his trip during next week's meeting.

Councilmembers Asatryan and Najarian asked for the agendizing of the reappointment of Caroline Tufenkian to the Arts and Culture Commission. Asatryan thanked staff for putting feminine hygiene products in women's restrooms in the Municipal Service Building. She looks forward to what LA County can do to provide access to feminine hygiene products in the local region.

City Clerk Dr. Suzie Abajian showed a public announcement video regarding the upcoming election on March 5. She invited the public to visit www.glendalevotes.org for a list of candidate forums and contact the Clerk's office for more information.

6. COMMUNITY EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS (3-Minutes)

Allan Durham
Carmen Arom

7. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

Agenda out of order. Item 8b read next into the record.

8. ACTION ITEMS

a. Community Development, re: Ordinance Amending Chapter 9.30 (Rental Rights Program)

Staff Comments:

Roubik Golanian, City Manager
Lucy Varpetian, Principal Asst. City Attorney
Mike Garcia, City Attorney

Presenting:

Sipan Zadoryan, Senior Housing Analyst

Public Comments:

Elizabeth Manassarian
Julia Hatten
Sevak Sohrabian
Shant Norhadian
Karen Kwak
David Kaishchyan
Ira Bland
Susan Broussalian
Dulce Ambriz
Linda Neumaier
Vigor Hairapetian
Ramella Eraghi
Armen Avedian
Greg Astorian
Arian Rejaei
Alex
Ann Bagasao
Tammy O'Connor
Carmen Arom
Eddie Minassian

1. Ordinance for Introduction Amending Chapter 9.30 of the Glendale Municipal Code, 1995 – Relating to the Rental Rights Program

Introduced by: Brotman

2. Ordinance Amending the Citywide Fee Resolution and Adding Administration Citation Fine Amounts for Rental Rights Program Violations

Introduced by: Brotman

3. Motion Directing Staff

b. Public Works, re: Introduction of Ordinance for Public and Private Indigenous Tree Protections

Hearing opened at 6:30 p.m.

Motion to continue the item to the February 6 Council Meeting without further public notice.

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Devine

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Asatryan, Devine, Kassakhian, Brotman, Najarian (pro tem)

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

1. Ordinance amending portions of Chapter 12.40 and 12.44 of the Glendale Municipal Code to update standards and enforcement mechanisms for public and indigenous tree protection
2. Ordinance amending portions of Titles 16 and 30 of the Glendale Municipal Code regarding tree-related zoning provisions
3. Resolution establishing and modifying administrative citation fines in the Citywide Fee Schedule for enforcement of the public tree and indigenous tree ordinances
4. Resolution of Appropriation for Outreach Services

9. HEARINGS

a. Community Development, re: Appeal of the Design Review Board (DRB) approval of Design Review Case No. PDR-000210-2022 to demolish the existing commercial stable buildings and associated structures (originally developed in 1939) and construct three new buildings with 15 surface parking spaces for a commercial stable and kennel on a 44,682 square-foot (SF) corner lot, located at 1900 Riverside Drive in the CE (Commercial Equestrian Services) Zone

Hearing opened at 8:54 p.m. and closed at 10:04 p.m.

Presenting:

Vista Ezzati, Senior Planner

Public Comments:

Hunt Braly, Poole & Shaffery, Appellant

Richard Dell, RED Architectural Group, Applicant

Rene Karapedian

Karin Costa

Mara Baygulova

Allan Durham

Jay Geisenheimer

Andrea Joel

Linda Rappaport

Roy Simison

Elizabeth Bour

Bill Luddy

Samantha Kirkeby
Darcy Conkle
Catie Rossi
Kate Adams
Sabrina Silver
Zihla Arbit
Lisa Baca
Liz Radley
Nori Anne Walla
Dr. James DeCarli
Alyssa Cunningham

1. Motion to sustain the Design Review Board's decision to approve the Design Review Application with conditions

Moved: Brotman

Seconded: Asatryan

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Asatryan, Devine, Kassakhian, Brotman, Najarian (pro tem)
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

2. Motion to continue the matter, directing the City Attorney to draft findings reversing the Design Review Board's decision and denying the Project

10. REPORTS - INFORMATION

11. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

12. DISCUSSION OF COUNCILMEMBER FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS

- a. **Mayor Brotman's request to agendize a discussion of options to address the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal's decision in California Restaurant Association v. City of Berkeley relative to the City's Reach Code Requirement that new buildings be constructed as "all-electric" buildings, including options for an "electric preferred" ordinance**

Moved: Brotman

Seconded: Devine

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Asatryan, Devine, Brotman, Najarian (pro tem)
Noes: None
Absent: Kassakhian
Abstain: None

- b. **Councilmember Kassakhian's request to agendize a Resolution condemning the ethnic cleansing and genocide of Armenians in Artsakh**

Moved: Asatryan

Seconded: Devine

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Asatryan, Devine, Brotman, Najarian (pro tem)
Noes: None
Absent: Kassakhian
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.

Rob
Alex Balekian
Dave De Angelis
Ramella Eraghi

14. NEW BUSINESS

a. Motion to approve the Claim for Damages of Ofelya Tonyan

Moved: Devine Seconded: Brotman

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Asatryan, Devine, Brotman, Najarian (pro tem)

Noes: None

Absent: Kassakhian

Abstain: None

b. Motion to approve the Claim for Damages of State Farm General Insurance Company (Claim No. 24-0008)

Moved: Asatryan Seconded: Brotman

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Asatryan, Devine, Brotman, Najarian (pro tem)

Noes: None

Absent: Kassakhian

Abstain: None

15. ADJOURNMENT – 10:40 p.m.

Moved: Devine Seconded: Brotman