

**MINUTES**  
**GLENDALE CITY COUNCIL**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**613 E. Broadway, 2nd Floor Glendale, CA 91206**  
**SEPTEMBER 20, 2022**

**ROLL CALL** – Absent: Najarian

- 1. CLOSED SESSION** – 4:17 p.m.
  - a. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation: Sadeghi v. City of Glendale, et al., L.A.S.C. Case No. 20STCV34372**
  - b. **Public Employee Appointment – Director of Community Development**
  - c. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure litigation pursuant to paragraph subdivisions (d)(2) and (e)(2) of Section 54956.9: One (1) potential case**
  - d. **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: 216 S. Brand Blvd. Negotiating Parties: Museum of Neon Art. Instructions to the negotiator(s) will concern the price and terms for the lease of property**

Item 1a removed from calendar. City Attorney Mike Garcia indicated that action is anticipated on item 1b and 1d. Council recessed to Closed Session at 4:18 p.m.

- 2. REGULAR BUSINESS AGENDA** – 6:08 PM  
**Roll Call** – All Present
  - a. **Flag Salute: Mayor Kassakhian**
  - b. **Invocation: Suzie Abajian, City Clerk**
  - c. **Report of City Clerk, re: Posting of Agenda. The Agenda for the September 20, 2022 Regular Meeting of the Glendale City Council was Posted on September 15, 2022 on the Bulletin Board Outside City Hall.**

- 3. PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**
  - a. **Agenda Preview for the Meetings of Tuesday, September 27, 2022**  
Deputy City Manager John Takhtalian provided the preview.

- b. **Introduction of the newly-hired Glendale Community College Superintendent/President, Dr. Ryan Cornner**  
Glendale Community College Board of Trustees

Public Comment:  
Mike Borisov

- c. **Proclamation for the Brand Associate's 50th Works on Paper Exhibition**  
Debra Thompson, Brand Associates

**d. Appointment of Board and Commission Member (Devine, 9/13/2022)**

1. Michael Bain, Audit Committee

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

Item 3e1 moved to next week's meeting.

**e. Reappointments of Boards and Commissions (Brotman, 9/13/2022)**

1. Sevanna Zadorian, Arts and Culture Commission

2. Alejandro Parajon, Audit Committee

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

3. Danielle Lockarref, Design Review Board

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

4. Regina Joy Alcazar, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission

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

5. Stefen Chraghchian, Planning Commission

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

6. Diane M. Lambillotte, Commission on the Status of Women

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

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

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

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 meetings of August 23, 2022 and September 13, 2022, the Special City Council meeting of September 13, 2022 and the Joint City Council and Housing Authority meeting of August 9, 2022**

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

Presenting:  
Chie Valdez, Integrated Resource Planning Administrator

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

**c. Public Works, re: Acceptance of Grant Funds for Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) grant from California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA)**

1. Motion accepting \$33,111,826 in Transit and Intercity Rail Program grant funds from the California State Transportation Agency and administered by Caltrans, to electrify the Beeline transit fleet including: purchasing battery electric buses and chargers, designing and constructing a parking deck with a photovoltaic canopy, installing electrification infrastructure, installing shelter and shade structures and e-link real time bus arrival information at bus stops, installing bus technologies on all Beeline buses including Cal-ITP contactless payment readers, funding an integration study to better connect Beeline services with the new BRT service, Metro and Metrolink/Amtrak services, and creating a Climate Mobility and Safety App to encourage transit ridership

Moved: Devine

Seconded: Najarian

Ayes: Asatryan, Brotman, Devine Najarian, Kassakhian

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

2. Resolution 22-136 authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Master Agreement, all Award Agreements, and all Program Supplements for State-Funded Transit Projects and any Amendments thereto with the California Department of Transportation

Moved: Devine

Seconded: Najarian

Ayes: Asatryan, Brotman, Devine Najarian, Kassakhian

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**5. CITY COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS**

Councilmember Asatryan announced that hundreds of civilians and soldiers have died, hundreds more are injured, 20 have been taken as prisoners of war and over 7,600 people have been displaced as a result of the unprovoked attacks by Azerbaijan on Armenia proper last week. She added that the Armenian National Committee of America Glendale Chapter has shared a letter with her, which the Mayor also supports and has forwarded to the City Manager. addressed to Speaker Nancy Pelosi in support of House Resolution 1351 which holds Azerbaijan accountable and asks for the full enforcement of the U.S. Freedom Support Act Section 907 that would ban all of U.S. aid to the Azerbaijani government. She inquired about the process of having a combined signature from all councilmembers and asked her colleagues if they would agree to jointly sign. Councilmember Najarian added that he would like letters to also be sent to the United Nations, the Council of Europe, and the European Union. All Councilmembers agreed to support and sign. Each Councilmember will sign individual letters and a combined packets of the letters will be sent from the City Management office to the parties.

Councilmember Brotman nominated Chris Lowery for GWP Commission.

Councilmember Devine commended the Parks and Open Space Foundation for the “Stars in the Park” fundraiser they held last Saturday at Deukmejian Wilderness Park. She also

Councilmember Najarian attended the annual airport conference in Minneapolis. He stated that a detailed report will be presented to council in a couple of weeks.

## 6. COMMUNITY EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS (3-Minutes)

## 7. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

a. **Community Development, re: AN ORDINANCE 5992 OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING SECTIONS 30.14.060 AND 30.32.090 OF TITLE 30 OF THE GLENDALE MUNICIPAL CODE, 1995, RELATING TO DSP SETBACK REQUIREMENTS AND EXCEPTIONS AND DRIVE-THROUGH USES IN THE DSP. (Case No. PZC 2205401); AN ORDINANCE 5993 OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN (DSP), REGARDING CLARIFICATIONS TO CERTAIN URBAN DESIGN STANDARDS, AN UPDATE TO THE LAND USE CHART TO ALLOW VETERINARY OFFICES, AND AN AMENDMENT TO REQUIRE A COVENANT FOR PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE OPEN SPACE (CASE NO. PGPA2205740)**

Abstain: None

## **8. ACTION ITEMS**

### **a. Management Services, re: Appointment to Fill Vacancy on the Burbank-Glendale- Pasadena Airport Authority Commission**

#### Staff Comments:

Roubik Golanian, City Manager

Mike Garcia, City Attorney

Item will come back for discussion in a few weeks.

1. Motion appointing an individual to serve as a Glendale representative on the Airport Authority Commission for the remainder of the unexpired term through May 31, 2025
2. Motion directing staff on other options for recruitment and selection of an Airport Authority Commissioner

### **b. Glendale Water and Power, re: Scholl Canyon Landfill Biogas Renewable Generation Project**

#### Staff Comments:

Roubik Golanian, City Manager

Mark Young, General Manager of GWP

Chie Valdez, Integrated Resource Planning Administrator

Tim Ernst, Fire Chief

Mike Garcia, City Attorney

#### Presenting:

Jeremy George, Worely Group, Inc.

Michael Weber, Stantec Consulting

Karl Lany, Montrose Environmental Group

#### Public Comments:

Jackie Gish

Rick Marquise

Marie Freeman

Monica Campagna

Robin Lee Hansen

Mike Mohill

Kurt Sawitskas

Linda Pillsbury

Sean Starkey

Mike Borisov

Emily Mirzakhani

Adam Starr

David Choi

Owen Lewis

Chris Snowdy, M.D.

Hans Johnson

Audry Zarokian

Jeremy Needleman

Jack Walworth

Council recessed for five minutes and resumed at 10:00 p.m.

Moved:	Brotman	Seconded:	Asatryan
Ayes:	Asatryan, Brotman, Kassakhian		
Noes:	Najarian		
Absent:	None		
Abstain:	Devine		

1. Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to execute Amendment No. 1 with Western Energy Systems, a division of Pen Power Group, LLC (WES), for the sale of Power Island Major Equipment (PIME) and services for the Biogas Renewable Generation Project and authorizing the issuance of the Full Notice to Proceed (FNTP) to WES in the not-to- exceed amount of \$17,629,194, plus a Ten percent (10%) contingency in the amount of \$1,762,919
2. Motion authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into an Engineer- Procure-Construct (EPC) Contract with ACCO Engineered Systems Inc. for the engineering, design and construction of the Biogas Renewable Generation Project at the Scholl Canyon Landfill, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$43,637,098, plus a Fifteen percent (15%) contingency in the amount of \$6,545,565
3. Resolution of Appropriation

## 11. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

## 12. 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.

Alek Bartrosouf

## 13. NEW BUSINESS

Staff Comment:

Roubik Golanian, City Manager

### a. Motion to appoint Bradley Calvert as the Director of Community Development for the City of Glendale

Moved: Devine

Seconded: Naiarian

Ayes: Asatryan, Brotman, Devine Najarian, Kassakhian

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

## 14. ADJOURNMENT – 11:51 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