

**MINUTES**  
**GLENDAL CITY COUNCIL**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**613 E. Broadway, 2nd Floor Glendale, CA 91206**  
**DECEMBER 13, 2022**

**ROLL CALL – All Present**

1. **CLOSED SESSION – 4:39 p.m.**
  - a. **Conference with real property negotiators: Property location – Real property generally located at the terminus of New York Avenue near Park Vista Drive, commonly referred to as “Mountain Oaks.” Negotiating parties: F.E. & M. Inc. Employee’s Defined Contribution Plan Trust dated July 10, 1984. Agency negotiators attending the closed session are: Roubik Golanian, John Takhtalian, Michael J. Garcia, Gillian van Muyden, Bradley Calvert, Jason Bradford and Onnig Bulanikian. Instructions to the negotiator(s) will concern the price and terms for the acquisition of property**
  - b. **Conference with Legal Counsel - Pending Litigation: F.E. & M. Inc. Employee’s Defined Contribution Plan Trust dated July 10, 1984 v. City of Glendale et al., L.A.S.C. Case No. BS16989**
  - c. **Conference with Legal Counsel - Pending Litigation: International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 18 v. City of Glendale Case No: LA-CE-805-M, PERB Decision No. 2694-M**

City Attorney Mike Garcia read item 13a into the record and indicated that action is not anticipated on any items. Council recessed to closed session at 4:45 p.m.

**2. REGULAR BUSINESS AGENDA – 6:04 PM**

**Roll Call – All Present**

- a. **Flag Salute: Glendale Fire Department**
- b. **Invocation: Rev. Dr. Shane Kinnison, Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church of Glendale**
- c. **Report of City Clerk, re: Posting of Agenda. The Agenda for the December 13, 2022 Regular Meeting of the Glendale City Council was Posted on Thursday, December 8, 2022, on the Bulletin Board Outside City Hall.**

**3. PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

**a. Agenda Preview for the Meetings of Tuesday, December 20, 2022**

City Manager Roubik Golanian announced that the regular meetings for December 20 and 27, 2022 and January 3, 2023 are cancelled. The next regular meetings will be on January 10, 2023.

**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.

Items 4b and 4c pulled for separate consideration.

**a. City Clerk, re: Minutes of the Special City Council and Regular City Council Meetings of December 6, 2022**

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

**b. Public Works, re: Plans and Specification for the Brand Park Motorway Improvements Project**

Public Comment:  
Stephen Meek

1. Resolution 22-179 adopting the Plans and Specification for the Brand Park Motorway Improvements Project, Specification No. 3940, Plan No. 1-3111; and directing the City Clerk to advertise for bids

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

**c. Libraries, Arts, and Culture, re: Library, Arts & Culture, re: Acceptance of Grant Funds for Glendale Central Library Critical Maintenance, Sustainability and Youth Spaces Renovation**

Staff Comment:  
Nicole Pasini, Assistant Director of Library, Arts & Culture

1. Motion accepting \$5,670,328 in Building Forward grant funds from the California State Library to support the Glendale Central Library Critical Maintenance, Sustainability and Youth Spaces Renovation project; and authorizing the City Manager or a designee to execute all agreements, amendments, certifications, and documents necessary to accept and implement the funding

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

2. Resolution 22-180 of Appropriation

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

**d. Community Development, re: 2022 Historic Preservation Fund Grant in the amount of \$4,000 to support Glendale's Local Preservation Program**

1. Resolution 22-181 authorizing the Director of Community Development or designee to execute Grant Agreement C08422007 with the California State Office of Historic Preservation in the amount of \$4,000

Moved: Brotman                      Seconded: Devine

Ayes: Asatryan, Brotman, Devine, Najarian, Kassakhian

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

2. Resolution 22-182 of Appropriation in the amount of \$4,000

Moved: Brotman                      Seconded: Devine

Ayes: Asatryan, Brotman, Devine, Najarian, Kassakhian

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

## 5. CITY COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

Councilmembers wished everyone happy and safe holidays.

Councilmember Asatryan announced that the Republic of Artsakh had been landlocked for several days and called it a humanitarian crisis because there is no way for the people of Artsakh to get medical supplies, food, gas, and utilities at this time. Given that the City of Glendale already passed a Resolution in support of Artsakh back in December of 2020, Asatryan asked Council to put out a statement joining in solidarity with the people of Artsakh and condemning Azerbaijan's actions in keeping the people of Artsakh landlocked. Brotman seconded.

Councilmember Najarian provided his comments regarding the internal memo Council received on the removal of the traffic calming measures placed in Adams Hill. He stated that this should be brought to Council for a discussion on why those measures were installed and why they are being considered for removal. He indicated that it would be helpful for the Council to assess what worked and what did not work to make improvements for future measures and processes. Asatryan stated that she met with a resident who spoke to her on behalf of several residents with language barriers, who had these traffic calming measures installed right in front of their homes. The residents were complaining that these traffic calming measures were causing them sleepless nights due to the noise they created. She also received similar complaints from other residents via emails. Since Council will not meet again until January, Asatryan asked staff to provide a remedy until this item is agendaized for the January 2023 Council meeting. City Manager Roubik Golanian indicated that these traffic calming measures were a pilot program and were not intended to be placed or installed on a permanent basis. He stated that the purpose of the pilot program was to assess the impacts of these measures on calming traffic while also getting input from the community. He also reiterated that there will be an opportunity for staff and the Council to reassess these measures.

Mayor Kassakhian urged residents to be careful while driving during the holidays, as there are many distracted drivers, and to be kind to one another. He also asked the public to take precautions regarding package deliveries to their homes because there is often an uptick in

Kassakhian thanked Stephen Meek for bringing up the issue of paving certain streets. He asked staff to provide a report on when the streets were last redone and paved and have that information for public viewing on the city website. Kassakhian attended several events including Glendale Arts Open House Holiday event, Salvation Army's Kettle Kickoff, and the Glendale Rotary Noon's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Tamara Movsesyan  
Patrick Murphy  
Herbert Molano  
Mike Mohill  
Ramella Eraghi

## 8. ACTION ITEMS

Presenting:  
Bradley Calvert, Director of Community Development

- Abstain: None

2. Resolution 22-183 of Appropriation of \$300,000 of Transportation Development Act (TDA) Grant Funds

Moved: Devine Seconded: Asatryan

Ayes: Asatryan, Brotman, Devine, Najarian, Kassakhian

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**b. Finance, re: FY 2021-22 Annual Financial Report, FY 2022-23 First Quarter Financial Status Report, Employee Medical Stipend, Inflation Relief and Retention Pay, and Class & Compensation Adjustments**

Presenting:

Roubik Golanian, City Manager

Jason Bradford, Director of Finance/CIO

Daphnie Munoz, Clifton, Larsen, Allen

Paula Adams, Chief Human Resources Officer

Staff Comments:

Mike Garcia, City Attorney

Mark Young, General Manager of GWP

Public Comments:

Herbert Molano

Police Officer Josh Luna, VP of GPOA

Public Safety Business Admin Allison Finch, President of GMA

Fire Captain Paramedic Ara Zakarian, VP of GFFA

Public Works Assistant Orlando Urquidez, President of GCEA

1. Motion to accept City of Glendale's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting, and Communication with Those Charged with Governance for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022

Moved: Devine Seconded: Asatryan

Ayes: Asatryan, Brotman, Devine, Najarian, Kassakhian

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

2. Motion to note and file the Financial Status Report for the year ended June 30, 2022

Moved: Devine Seconded: Asatryan

Ayes: Asatryan, Brotman, Devine, Najarian, Kassakhian

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

3. Motion to note and file the Financial Status Report for the period ending September 30, 2022

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

4. Motion to Increase the Citywide Authorized Salaried Position Count

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

5. Motion to approve a one-time Medical Stipend, Inflation Relief and Retention Pay for City of Glendale Employees

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

6. Resolution 22-184 Providing for the Establishment of Classification Titles and Compensation for Employees of the City of Glendale Covered by the Glendale Management Association - Memorandum of Understanding, Including Employee Relations Exempt Classifications

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

7. Resolution 22-185 Providing for the Establishment of Classification Titles and Compensation for Employees of the City of Glendale Covered by the Glendale City Employees' Association Memorandum of Understanding, Including Confidential and Hourly Classifications

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

8. Resolution 22-186 Providing for the Establishment of Classification Titles and Compensation for Appointed Executive Level Employees of the City of Glendale

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

9. Resolution 22-187 Providing for Supplementary Benefits and Compensation of Certain Officers and Executive Employees of the City of Glendale to Supplement the Classification and Compensation Resolution of Said City

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

10. Resolution 22-188 of appropriation

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

**c. Glendale Water and Power, re: Grayson Repowering Project and GWP Power Supply Planning**

Staff Comments:

Roubik Golanian, City Manager  
Mark Young, General Manager of GWP  
Mike Garcia, City Attorney

Presenting:

Scott Mellon, Asst. General Manager of GWP

Public Comments:

Kate Unger  
Cole Bazemore  
David Eisenberg  
Glenn Webb  
Mike Borisov  
Stephanie Schus  
Karen Lowe  
Elise Kalfayan  
Irene Varjabedian  
Morgan Goodwin





3. Motion authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a Collectible Work Authorization (CWA) agreement with the Southern California Gas Company, in the not to exceed amount of \$400,000 for services related to the improvement and upgrade of Southern California Gas Company facilities related to the Grayson Repowering Project. The form of said agreement shall be subject to the approval of the City Attorney

Moved: Devine

Seconded: Brotman

Ayes: Brotman, Devine, Najarian, Kassakhian

Noes: Asatryan

Absent: None

Abstain: None

## **9. HEARINGS**

- a. **Community Development, re: Revisions to Chapter 30.26 Advertising Signage Overlay Zone ("ASOZ") relating to expanding and further defining the number and types of signs permitted in the ASOZ and other miscellaneous text amendments. Introduction of an Ordinance approving a First Amendment to the 2020 Statutory Development Agreement with the Americana at Brand, LLC, in accordance with Glendale Municipal Code Chapter 30.26.100 for ASOZ Non- Accessory Signs and Sign Structures and Animated Signs and Sign Structures at the Americana at Brand**

Hearing opened at 10:35 p.m. and closed at 10:50 p.m.

Presenting:

Roger Kiesel, Senior Planner

Public Comment:

Chris Robertson, Caruso Affiliated

1. Introduction of Ordinance amending Title 30  
Ordinance introduced by: Devine
2. Introduction of Ordinance adopting a First Amendment to the 2020 Development Agreement with the Americana at Brand, LLC

Ordinance introduced by: Devine

## **10. REPORTS - INFORMATION**

## **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.

Brotman requested staff a report on the other conditions he brought up during item 8c discussion. Najarian seconded.

**13. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Motion that the City Council hereby finds there is an immediate need to take action on an item that arose after the posting of the agenda for the December 13, 2022 City Council meeting. The item in question involves the need to discuss possible resolution of the litigation entitled Papikyan v. Martinez, et al., L.A.S.C. Case No. 21STCV13642, to which the City of Glendale is a party. Subsequent to the posting of the agenda, additional information has been provided which requires discussion by the Council prior to the next Council meeting on January 10, 2023

Moved: Najarian

Seconded: Devine

Ayes: Asatryan, Brotman, Devine, Najarian, Kassakhian

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**14. ADJOURNMENT – 10:57 p.m.**

Moved: Devine

Seconded: Brotman

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City Clerk of the City of Glendale

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Mayor of the City of Glendale