### M I N U T E S GLENDALE CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL CHAMBERS 613 E. Broadway, 2nd Floor Glendale, CA 91206 APRIL 4, 2023

ROLL CALL – Absent: Najarian

- **1.** CLOSED SESSION 3:26 p.m.
  - a. 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
  - b. Conference with Legal Counsel Pending Litigation: Karapetian v. City of Glendale, L.A.S.C. Case No. 19STCV17066
  - c. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation: Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: One (1) potential case
  - d. Public Employee Performance Evaluation: City Manager and City Attorney
  - e. Conference with Legal Counsel Pending Litigation: Aghazarian v. City of Glendale, L.A.S.C. Case No. 19STCV45225

Public Comment: Herbert Molano

City Attorney Mike Garcia indicated that action not anticipated. Council recessed to closed session at 3:30 p.m.

# 2. REGULAR BUSINESS AGENDA – 6:00 PM

Roll Call

- a. Flag Salute: Mayor Ardy Kassakhian
- b. Invocation: Poet Laurete Raffi Joe Wartanian
- c. Report of City Clerk, re: Posting of Agenda. The Agenda for the April 4, 2023 Regular Meeting of the Glendale City Council was Posted on Thursday, March 30, 2023, on the Bulletin Board Outside City Hall.

# 3. PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

a. Agenda Preview for the Meetings of Tuesday, April 11, 2023 Assistant City Manager John Takhtalian provided the preview.

## b. Outgoing Mayor's Comments

Mayor Kassakhian thanked the residents of the Glendale, city staff and all the commissioners who have worked tirelessly to make his year as a mayor a productive one. He also thanked his critics who have twitted or sent emails. He gave special thanks to his friends and advisors Dveen Babaian and Sevana Zadourian. He also thanked his family for their support. He congratulated Dan Brotman for his upcoming mayorship and stated that he will be a great Mayor for the city and will continue the great work that the Council has begun this year.

#### c. Selection of a New Mayor

Mayor Kassakhian nominated Council Member Brotman for Mayor. Hearing no further nominations, City Clerk Suzie Abajian proceeded with the Roll Call.

Moved: Kassakhian Seconded: Devine Aves: Asatryan, Brotman, Devine, Najarian, Kassakhian

Noes: None

Absent: None

## Abstain: None

City Clerk Suzie Abajian declared Council Member Brotman the duly elected Mayor of the City of Glendale.

### d. New Mayor's Comments

Newly Appointed Mayor Dan Brotman thanked voters of the Glendale for believing in him twice: once in 2020 and again in 2022. He thanks his colleagues and some of the dignitaries who were present including Senator Anthony Portantino, former Mayor Frank Quintero, Laura Friedman's field representative and city commissioners. He also thanked his parents Bob and Joyce, his partner Michelle, and his children. He acknowledged outgoing Mayor, Ardy Kassakhian's dedication to and genuine love for the city in which he was raised. Mayor Brotman also thanked his colleagues and staff. He spoke about his move to the City of Glendale, how he became politically active and his journey of becoming a councilmember and now a mayor. He stated that Glendale is thriving; tax revenues are strong; the city is still ranked as one of the safest cities of its size in the country and that it was recently ranked as one of the happiest cities. He reviewed the accomplishments of the council from last year including some of the large, long delayed and politicly fraught projects such as the repowering of Grayson and the Scholl Canyon landfill. He stated that Glendale is a great City with quality services, relative safety, healthy economy, award winning schools, stunning natural environment, all within the distance of the second largest city in the United States. Most importantly, he recognized the diverse and highly talented population. He mentioned some of the challenges that the city is facing including deep inequity in housing and transportation, the effects of a rapidly changing climate and budgeting challenges including less funding and rising pension obligations. He stated that the city will have to make tough decisions such as cut services, renegotiate with the bargaining units, or find new revenues. Mayor Brotman laid out his priorities for the coming year including increase the housing inventory, making the streets safer for people on foot or bike and ramping up the production of solar energy and electrification of buildings. He also proposed an education campaign to reduce food waste and ensure that the organic waste gets to compost facilities and not the landfill. He also mentioned the need for expanding the urban forest, advancing policies for cool roofs and roads, improving water capture, and enhancing efforts to build CERT teams in vulnerable neighborhoods. Mayor Brotman also discussed plans for ensuring the fiscal health of the city. In closing he thanked his family and the Glendale Environmental coalition for their invaluable advocacy and work.

Public Comments: Senator Anthony Portantino Christopher Khachatoor from the office of Assembly Member Laura Friedman

- e. Identification of Nominating Panel for Civil Service Commission Appointment to Reappoint/Replace Mark MacCarley - Asatryan/Brotman
- f. Identification of Nominating Panel for the Civil Service Commission Appointment to Fill Vacancy Created by Resignation of Albert Abkarian -

**Brotman/Devine** 

#### q. Identification of Nominating Panel for the Civil Service Commission Appointment to Fill Vacancy Created by Resignation of Greg Astorian – Devine/Kassakhian

**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 Joint City Council and Supervisor Kathryn Barger, Joint City Council and Housing Authority, and Regular City Council Meetings of March 28, 2023

Moved: Kassakhian Seconded: Najarian Asatryan, Devine, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman Aves:

None Noes:

None Absent<sup>.</sup>

None Abstain:

### b. Public Works, re: Brand Park Motorway Improvements Project

1. Motion awarding a construction contract to Access Limited Construction, in the amount of \$1,096,192, approving a 15 percent contract contingency in the amount of \$164,430, and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the contract

Moved:

Seconded: Naiarian

- Kassakhian Asatryan, Devine, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman Aves:
- None Noes:
- None Absent:

None Abstain:

- 2. Resolution 23-37 of appropriation to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,370,222 for the Brand Park Motorway Improvements Project Moved: Kassakhian Seconded: Najarian
- Asatryan, Devine, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman Aves:

None Noes:

None Absent:

None Abstain:

- c. Community Services and Parks, re: Amendment Nine for FY 22-23 Los Angeles County Aging and Disabilities Department (AD) Revised Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Nutrition Infrastructure funding allocation of \$245,980 for Elderly Nutrition Program (ENP) services
  - 1. Motion to reprogram unused FY 2022-2023 Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Congregate Meals Services (C1) funding in the amount of \$100,000 to Home Delivered Meals Services (C2) and accept \$245,980 in FY2022-2023 Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Nutrition Infrastructure (NI) funding for the purchase of approved equipment/fleet to be used for the provision of Elderly Nutrition Program from County of Los Angeles Aging and Disabilities Department for; and authorize the City Manager or a designee to execute Amendment Nine to the County of Los Angeles Aging and Disabilities Department Contract Subaward Number ENP202106 Subaward period July 2020 – June 2023 to accept and implement Los Angeles County AD funding Kassakhian
  - Moved:

Seconded: Najarian Asatryan, Devine, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

- Aves: None Noes:
- None Absent:

None Abstain:

 Resolution 23-38 of Appropriation to reprogram FY 2022-2023 unused ARPA C1 congregate meals funds in the amount of \$100,000 to ARPA C2 home delivered meals and to appropriate \$245,980 in HCBS Nutrition Infrastructure funding for FY 2022-2023 for the purchase of equipment/fleet for the ENP Program

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

### d. Public Works, re: Contract Award for the Glendale Transportation Center Renovation Project

 Motion authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute a contract with ARC Construction, Inc., for the Glendale Transportation Center Renovation Project, per Specification No. 3926, in the amount of \$1,306,350, plus a 10% contingency \$130,635

Moved: Kassakhian Seconded: Najarian Aves: Asatryan, Devine, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

# 5. CITY COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

Councilmember Asatryan thanked former Mayor Kasskahian for his work and dedication and congratulated Mayor Brotman. Councilmember Asatryan attended the Tzakhgazart event at Verdugo Park which included many fun activities for families.

Councilmember Devine thanked former Mayor Kassakhian and congratulated Mayor Brotman. Councilmember Devine also thanked Director Bulanikian and his staff Zaven at Pacific community park for the successful Extravaganza event. She also complimented the Soroptimist International of Glendale for their 20<sup>th</sup> annual "Bras for Cause" event. Councilmember Devine reminded residents of Glendale to vote for their choice of the new redesign for the Burbank Airport.

Councilmember Najarian congratulated outgoing Mayor Kassakhian for his work and congratulated incoming Mayor Brotman.

Councilmember Kassakhian congratulated Mayor Brotman and wished him well.

# 6. COMMUNITY EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS (3-Minutes)

Mike Mohill Dr. Jane L. Mahakian-President and Founder of Alzheimer's Care Armenia Paul Rabinov-Glendale Parks and Open Space Foundation Herbert Molano Damian Sulivan

## 7. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

8. ACTION ITEMS

## 9. HEARINGS

### **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.

Liz Radley Karin Kachler

## **13. NEW BUSINESS**

Per City Manager Golanian these two new business items will come back at a later date.

- a. Discussion of Request by Councilmember Asatryan to Agendize a Report and Discussion of Family Leave for City Employees Including Adoption, Fostering, Bonding Leave, Lactation Accommodations and Similar Categories Identified by the Human Resources Department, With a Discussion of Fiscal Impacts
  - 1. Motion to Agendize the Item
- b. Discussion of Request by Councilmember Asatryan to Agendize a Report and Discussion of a Menstrual Leave Policy for Employees, to Include a Discussion of Fiscal Impacts, Different Models to Address Leave Days, Hybrid Leave Days/Remote Work, and Remote Work Only Alternatives, Phasing Alternatives, Wellness Programs and Analyses of Programs Offered by Other Employers

   Motion to Agendize the Item
- c. City attorney is authorized to initiate a legal action in the Los Angeles Superior Court. Names of defendants and other particulars shall be disclosable upon the filing and service of said action on the defendants, and the City Attorney is authorized to incur any and all expenses in connection with said matter. Moved: Naiarian Seconded: Kassakhian

Aves: Asatryan, Devine, Kassakhian, Najarian, Brotman

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

14. ADJOURNMENT- 7:37 p.m. Moved: Kassakhian

Seconded: Devine

Mayor of the City of Glendale

City Clerk of the City of Glendale