

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS**

SPECIAL AND ADJOURNED MEETING – August 20, 2014

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council met in Special and Adjourned Session at 6:43 p.m., Wednesday, August 20, 2014, in the Council Chamber, 3191 Katella Avenue, Mayor Graham-Mejia presiding.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953, Subdivision (b), this meeting included teleconference participation by Council Member Edgar from the Hyatt Regency Maui Resort & Spa, Regency Boardroom, 200 Nohea Kai Drive, Lahaina - Maui, HI 96761.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members: Edgar, Grose, Kusumoto,
Mayor Pro Tem Murphy, Mayor Graham-Mejia.

Absent: Council Members: None

Present: Staff: Bret M. Plumlee, City Manager
Cary Reisman, City Attorney
Corey Lakin, Community Services Director
Todd Mattern, Police Chief
Steven Mendoza, Community Development Director
Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk

SPECIAL MEETING

Council Member Kusumoto called for a point of order and asked City Attorney Reisman to explain the legality of the measures taken for tonight's meeting.

City Attorney Reisman advised the Brown Act allowed for Council Members to participate in a meeting if they are out of town by telephone. The requirements for a Special meeting included posting the agenda 24 hours before hand and leaving the room open for anyone to participate. He advised the hotel in Hawaii had allowed Council Member Edgar to post the agenda more than 24 hours prior to the meeting adjacent to the meeting room.

Council Member Kusumoto confirmed the public could participate in Hawaii.

City Attorney Reisman advised public comments would be opened in the Chamber first and then in Hawaii.

Mayor Graham-Mejia opened the meeting for public comment in the Council Chamber. There was no one present wishing to speak. Mayor Graham-Mejia opened the meeting for public comments in Hawaii. Council Member Edgar advised there was no one present wishing to speak. Mayor Graham-Mejia closed public comments.

3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

A. Providing for the Appointment to the Offices of this City that were to be Elected on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 (City Clerk)

On May 19, 2014, the City Council took action calling the General Municipal Election and requesting consolidation of the local election with that of the County of Orange to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. As of the close of the nomination period, there are not more candidates than offices to be elected.

Council Member Edgar advised he would recuse himself from voting to appoint himself and Council Member Kusumoto.

Mayor Graham-Mejia advised she would mute the call at that time.

City Attorney Reisman advised Council Member Edgar could hear the Staff report, and then recuse himself.

Council Member Edgar asked if he was able to hear the discussion, but not participate.

City Attorney Reisman answered in the negative.

City Clerk Quintanar summarized the Staff report, referring to the information contained therein and answered questions from the City Council.

City Attorney Reisman advised it was originally believed Council Member Edgar and Council Member Kusumoto would not have a conflict to vote for each other. He now advised they refrain from voting on each other since a quorum of the Council was present. He advised neither Council Member had a conflict regarding Candidate Hasselbrink.

Mayor Graham-Mejia advised Council Member Edgar this would be the appropriate time to recuse himself if desired.

Council Member Edgar advised he would recuse himself from voting for himself and Council Member Kusumoto, but would be participating for Candidate Hasselbrink. He requested to hear the vote.

City Attorney Reisman advised that was acceptable.

Council Member Kusumoto recused himself.

City Attorney Reisman advised the order of the Resolutions were changed to allow the two conflicted Council Members to return for the remainder of the votes. He added if all three resolutions did not pass, there would be an Election on November 4, 2014.

Motion/Second: Grose/Graham-Mejia

Carried 3/2: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2014-26, entitled, "RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF TROY D. EDGAR TO THE OFFICE OF THIS CITY THAT WAS TO BE ELECTED ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014".

ROLL CALL

Council Member Edgar	Abstain
Council Member Grose	Aye
Council Member Kusumoto	Abstain
Mayor Pro Tem Murphy	Aye
Mayor Graham-Mejia	Aye

Motion/Second: Grose/Murphy

Carried 3/2: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2014-27, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF WARREN KUSUMOTO TO THE OFFICE OF THIS CITY THAT WAS TO BE ELECTED ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014".

ROLL CALL

Council Member Edgar	Abstain
Council Member Grose	Aye
Council Member Kusumoto	Abstain
Mayor Pro Tem Murphy	Aye
Mayor Graham-Mejia	Aye

Motion/Second: Grose/Murphy

Unanimously Carried: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2014-25, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF SHELLEY HASSELBRINK TO THE OFFICE OF THIS CITY THAT WAS TO BE ELECTED ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014".

ROLL CALL

Council Member Edgar	Aye
Council Member Grose	Aye
Council Member Kusumoto	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Murphy	Aye
Mayor Graham-Mejia	Aye

Motion/Second: Kusumoto/Graham-Mejia

Unanimously Carried: The City Council directed the City Clerk to prepare the Oaths of Office and Certificates of Election for Cancelled Elections for Shelley Hasselbrink, Troy D. Edgar, and Warren Kusumoto for installation at the December 15, 2014, Regular City Council meeting.

ROLL CALL

Council Member Edgar	Aye
Council Member Grose	Aye
Council Member Kusumoto	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Murphy	Aye
Mayor Graham-Mejia	Aye

Motion/Second: Grose/Murphy

Unanimously Carried: The City Council directed the City Clerk to refund the deposit of \$650.00, as appropriate, for the cost of printing a 200-word candidate statement.

ROLL CALL

Council Member Edgar	Aye
Council Member Grose	Aye
Council Member Kusumoto	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Murphy	Aye
Mayor Graham-Mejia	Aye

Motion/Second: Grose/Murphy

Unanimously Carried: The City Council directed the City Clerk to notify the County of Orange of the cancellation of the General Municipal Election on November 4, 2014.

ROLL CALL

Council Member Edgar	Aye
Council Member Grose	Aye
Council Member Kusumoto	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Murphy	Aye
Mayor Graham-Mejia	Aye

ADJOURNED MEETING

3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

B. Appoint Ad Hoc Subcommittee to Review the Potential of Relocating the Civic Center Complex (City Manager)

This report established two Ad Hoc Subcommittees to review the potential for relocating the Civic Center Complex.

City Manager Plumlee summarized the Staff report, referring to the information contained therein, and answered questions from the City Council.

Council Member Kusumoto stated Council should set some expectations of what the Subcommittees were to produce as an output. He clarified the goal was not to solve the problem. He stated first the needs of City Hall needed to be established (i.e. square footage, types of office, garage space) and then the Council as a body should review, accept, modify, or reject the proposal. He wanted to ensure that there was a checks and balances procedure for the Subcommittee and City Council.

Council Member Kusumoto and Council Member Grose stated interest in serving on the building specification subcommittee.

Motion/Second: Graham-Mejia/Murphy

Unanimously Carried: The City Council appointed Council Member Grose and Council Member Kusumoto to serve on an Ad Hoc Subcommittee to review the overall concept of relocating the Civic Center Complex, with City Hall being an immediate concern.

ROLL CALL

Council Member Edgar	Aye
Council Member Grose	Aye
Council Member Kusumoto	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Murphy	Aye
Mayor Graham-Mejia	Aye

Council Member Edgar and Mayor Pro Tem Murphy stated interest in serving on the financial subcommittee.

Motion/Second: Graham-Mejia/Grose

Unanimously Carried: The City Council appointed Council Member Edgar and Mayor Pro Tem Murphy to serve on an Ad Hoc Subcommittee to review the possible financing involved to relocating the Civic Center Complex.

ROLL CALL

Council Member Edgar	Aye
Council Member Grose	Aye
Council Member Kusumoto	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Murphy	Aye
Mayor Graham-Mejia	Aye

4. CLOSED SESSION

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Pending litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(4) of Section 54956.9. One potential case.

City Attorney Reisman read Item 4A aloud.

Council Member Edgar recused himself for a conflict of interest.

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The City Council recessed into Closed Session at 6:04 p.m.

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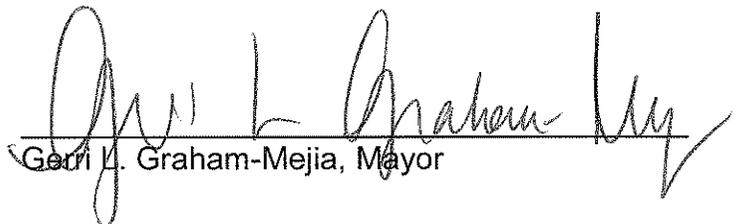
The City Council reconvened in Special/Adjourned Session at 6:37 p.m.

There was no reportable action.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Attest:


Gerri L. Graham-Mejia, Mayor


Windmea Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk