

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

SPECIAL MEETING – January 22, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council met in Special Session at 4:34 p.m., Tuesday, January 22, 2013, in the Council Chamber, 3191 Katella Avenue, Mayor Kusumoto presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Council Members: Grose

Present: Staff: Angie Avery, City Manager
Corey Lakin, Community Services Director
Steven Mendoza, Community Development Director
Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk

Council Member Grose arrived at 4:37 p.m. and took his seat at the dais.

3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

A. Interview Applicants for the Planning and Traffic Commission (Clerk)

This report provided relevant information by which the City Council may appoint members to Commission vacancies.

Mayor Kusumoto opened the item for public comment.

John Passanisi, resident, stated opposition to Commission applicants being spouses of City Council Members.

City Manager Avery spoke briefly stating there was no State law prohibiting Council Members and Commissioners from being husband and wife.

Mayor Kusumoto closed the item for public comment.

The City Council interviewed the following applicants for the Planning Commission:

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| ➤ Wendy Grose | ➤ Tony Gale |
| ➤ Gary Loe | ➤ Larry Andrade |
| ➤ Daniel Patz | ➤ Art DeBolt |

The City Council interviewed the following applicants for the Traffic Commission:

➤ Javier Mejia

The City Council asked if any applicants would be interested in serving on the Traffic Commission. Applicant Gary Loe stated a preference for the Planning Commission, but indicated he would serve on Traffic Commission if needed.

Council Member Grose apologized for arriving late and spoke regarding nepotism and his decision to participate in the process.

Mayor Pro Tem Graham-Mejia indicated she did not see a conflict of interest, particularly due to Mr. Mejia being the only applicant for Traffic Commission.

Council Member Edgar indicated he would be supporting the current Traffic Commissioners and did not have an issue with Mr. Mejia being considered as an applicant.

Mr. Passanisi thanked the Council for hearing his concerns.

Council Member Murphy received a brief status update from Community Development Director Mendoza on the General Plan.

City Clerk Quintanar explained the procedure, passed out the Indications of Support List and each of the Council Members indicated their support for appointees. The sheets were given to City Clerk Quintanar to tally.

City Clerk Quintanar read the indications of support for the Planning Commission: Larry Andrade – 3; Art DeBolt – 3; Tony Gale – 2; Wendy Grose – 4; and, Gary Loe – 3.

Motion/Second: Edgar/Murphy

Carried 4/1 (Graham-Mejia cast the dissenting vote): The City Council appointed Wendy Grose to the Planning Commission with a term expiring December 2015.

Due to no clear support for additional terms, Council consensus was reached to Re-indicate Support for applicants Larry Andrade, Art DeBolt, and Gary Loe. Council indicated their support for appointees and the sheets were given to City Clerk Quintanar to tally.

City Clerk Quintanar read the indications for support for Planning Commission: Larry Andrade – 3, Art DeBolt – 3; and, Gary Loe – 4.

Motion/Second: Murphy/Graham-Mejia

Unanimously Carried: The City Council appointed Gary Loe to the Planning Commission with a term expiring December 2015.

Due to no clear support for additional terms, Council consensus was reached to Re-indicate Support for applicants Larry Andrade and Art DeBolt Council indicated their support for appointees and the sheets were given to City Clerk Quintanar to tally.

City Clerk Quintanar read the indications of support for Planning Commission: Larry Andrade – 2 and Art DeBolt – 3.

Motion/Second: Murphy/Graham-Mejia
Carried 4/1 (Grose cast the dissenting vote): The City Council appointed Art DeBolt to the Planning Commission with a term expiring December 2015.

City Clerk Quintanar read the indications of support for the Traffic Commission: Javier Mejia – 5.

Motion/Second: Graham-Mejia/Edgar
Unanimously Carried: The City Council appointed Javier Mejia to the Traffic Commission with a term expiring December 2013.

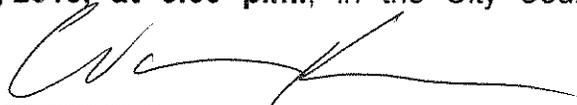
Mayor Kusumoto asked if any of the non-appointed applicants would reconsider serving on the Traffic Commission.

Applicant Daniel Patz stated his interest.

Motion/Second: Edgar/Graham-Mejia
Unanimously Carried: The City Council appointed Daniel Patz to the Traffic Commission with a term expiring December 2013.

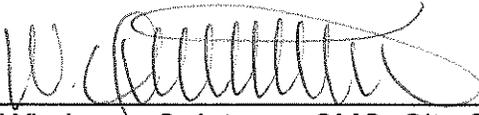
6. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council adjourned at 5:53 p.m. The next meeting of the City Council is scheduled for **TUESDAY, January 22, 2013, at 6:00 p.m.**, in the City Council Chamber.



Warren Kusumoto, Mayor

Attest:



Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk

