

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

REGULAR MEETING – April 4, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council met in Regular Session at 7:06 p.m., Monday, April 4, 2011 in the Council Chambers, 3191 Katella Avenue, Mayor Stephens presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Council Members: None

Present: Staff: Jeffrey L. Stewart, City Manager
Sandra Levin, City Attorney
Anita Agramonte, Finance Manager
Angie Avery, Community Services Director
Dave Hunt, City Engineer
Adria M. Jimenez, City Clerk
Todd Mattern, Police Chief
Steven Mendoza, Community Development Dir.

3. PRESENTATION OF COLORS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Presentation of Colors was provided by the Civil Air Patrol. Mayor Stephens led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. INVOCATION

Council Member Poe gave the Invocation.

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. National Public Safety Dispatcher Week

Mayor Stephens presented a proclamation to Paul Phillips and staff in recognition of National Public Safety Dispatcher Week. Pictures with Council followed.

B. Certificate of Recognition to Race on the Base Sponsors

Mayor Stephens and the City Council presented Certificates of Recognition to the Race on the Base Sponsors. Pictures with Council followed.

6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Catherine Driscoll, resident, invited residents to participate in an upcoming blood drive for Kai Quinonez; she handed flyers to the City Council.

Maria Teresa Diaz, Comite Del Amor, informed the City Council that through negotiations with the Archdioceses of Orange, an agreement has been reached to continue the efforts to purchase the historical plaza for approximately three more years and make it a historical landmark.

Dave Hauske, Garden Grove resident, spoke about the addition of the Black Hawk Company to JFTB.

John Ellinger, resident commented on the Black Hawk Company reassignment to JFTB.

Nancy Karmalich, resident, spoke in support of the reassignment of the Black Hawk Company to JFTB.

Judy Klabouch, Chamber of Commerce, provided information on the Citizen of the Year dinner and this year's recipients Dr. Greg Franklin and Allen McClean. Ms. Klabouch also provided information on the Chamber of Commerce's upcoming golf tournament.

Walter Yesenowski, resident, spoke in opposition to the Black Hawk reassignment to JFTB.

Sammuel Manning, resident, spoke in regards to an article published by Supervisor Moorlach in the OC Register regarding a "Super City," and asked the Council to be hesitant on supporting his recommendation.

J.M. Ivler, resident, spoke about comments made at a previous meeting by a member of the public and Mayor Pro Tem Edgar and responded to personal attacks. Mr. Ivler also requested the Planning Commission recommendation of Katella rezoning be brought back for consideration. Mr. Ivler request Mr. Sylvia's name be removed from the Council Chambers Conference Room.

John Fallon, resident, spoke in opposition to Item #9C, the reassignment of the Black Hawk Company to JFTB.

Larry Strawther, commented on the recent LATV workshop held by the City Council and comments made by Council Members. Mr. Strawther advised he is not recommending CSMP renew their contract with the City.

Mayor Stephens advised Item #9C will be taken out of order.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

C. U.S. Army Reserve Black Hawk Helicopter Company at JFTB

The City Council has invited Brigadier General Keith Jones and his staff to present an overview of the proposed stationing of a Black Hawk Helicopter Company moving from Victorville to Los Alamitos Joint Forces Training Base.

Brigadier General Jones provided information on the Black Hawk Helicopter Company's reassignment to JFTB and answered questions from the City Council.

Lt. Colonel Kelley and Lt. Colonel Molarsky were also available to respond to questions from Council Members.

The City Council agreed to request the public comment period be extended, and draft a letter from the Mayor on behalf of the City Council expressing Council and resident concerns.

7. REGISTER OF MAJOR EXPENDITURES

April 4, 2011.

Motion/Second: Poe/Edgar

Unanimously Carried: The City Council approved the Register of Major Expenditures for April 4, 2011, in the amount of \$289,436.67.

Roll Call Vote

Council Member Graham-Mejia	Aye
Council Member Kusumoto	Aye
Council Member Poe	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Edgar	Aye
Mayor Stephens	Aye

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

All Consent Calendar items may be acted upon by one motion unless a Council Member requests separate action on a specific item.

City Manager Stewart stated in response to Mr. Strawther's comments, he is requesting Item #8E be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

Council Member Graham-Mejia pulled Item #8A.

Motion/Second: Edgar/Kusumoto

Unanimously Carried: The City Council approved the following Consent Calendar Items:

*****CONSENT CALENDAR*****

B. Warrants

April 4, 2011.

C. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 11-05, "Amending Portions of Chapter 2.04.170(a), "Addressing the council," of the Los Alamitos Municipal Code

At its meeting of March 21, 2011, the City Council conducted the first reading of Ordinance No. 11-05, "Amending Portions of Chapter 2.04.170(a), "Addressing the council," of the Los Alamitos Municipal Code. The Ordinance allows the public to comment during Oral Communications for five minutes and for three minutes on an agenda item at the time the item is being discussed by the City Council.

Recommendation: Waived further reading and adopted Ordinance No. 11-05, "Amending Portions of Chapter 2.04.170(a), "Addressing the council," of the Los Alamitos Municipal Code, by a roll call vote.

D. Agreement for Implementation of Water Quality Monitoring (WQM), Reporting, and Studies for Coyote Creek with the County of Orange and Orange County Flood Control District

Consideration of Agreement to share in Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board water quality monitoring, report, studies along with sharing costs of project in the amount of \$1,803.65.

Recommendation: Authorized the Mayor to execute the Agreement for Implementation of Water Quality Monitoring, Reporting, and Studies for Coyote Creek with the County of Orange and Orange County Flood Control District, to comply with the requirements of the San Gabriel River/Coyote Creek Total Maximum Daily Loads for Copper, Lead, and Zinc.

*****END OF CONSENT CALENDAR*****

A. Approval of Minutes

Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting – March 7, 2011.

Council Member Graham-Mejia referenced page 8, Item #8C, stating the minutes do not mention Council discussion and believes this is not good. She requested the City Council go back to summary minute format.

Motion/Second: Edgar/Poe

Carried 3/1/1 (Kusumoto "Abstain") (Graham-Mejia "No")

E. Approval of an Agreement with Community Schools and Media Partnership (CSMP), a Professional Services Agreement with John Underwood for the Provision of Services Related to LATV and Reactivation of the Community Cable Commission to Provide Recommendations to the City Council Regarding Cable Television Issues

On March 21, 2011, the City Council conducted a workshop to discuss the future of LATV operations. During the meeting, the Council requested staff to bring an item back to the Council extending the most recent agreement with Community Schools and Media Partnership (CSMP) for six months, authorizing a six-month professional services agreement with John Underwood to serve in the capacity of Studio Production Coordinator and reactivate and recruit members for a five-member Community Cable Commission.

City Manager Stewart advised in light of Mr. Strawther's comments he is recommending the City Council authorize the City Clerk to move forward with recruiting members for the commission, and return to the Council at a later date with additional information and a recommendation.

After City Council discussion, the following motions were made:

Substitute Motion/Second: Graham-Mejia/Kusumoto
Take no action tonight and address this issue at the next Council Meeting.

Motion/Second: Graham-Mejia/Kusumoto
Defeated 2/3: (Edgar/Poe/Stephens "No")
To substitute the motion.

Motion/Second: Poe/Edgar
Carried 3/2: (Graham-Mejia/Kusumoto "No")
Reestablished a five-member Community Cable Commission and authorize the City Clerk to open the recruitment and advertise for candidates to fill the positions.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. **The General Plan Ad Hoc Subcommittee is Seeking Input from the Council Regarding the Selection Process for General Plan Firms**

Consideration for interview, negotiation, and recommendation policy for the General Plan Subcommittee.

Steven Mendoza, Community Development Director, provided a brief summary of the staff report.

Motion/Second: Poe/Edgar
Allow the ad hoc subcommittee to conduct the rating, interviewing, negotiating and selecting one of the three firms to be presented to the full body of the City Council.

Substitute Motion: Graham-Mejia
Motion died for lack of a second.
Allow the entire City Council to discuss and decide the items and not the Ad Hoc Subcommittee.

After reports by the Council Ad Hoc Subcommittee members Mayor Pro Tem Edgar and Kusumoto, Council Member Poe amended her motion to the following:

Amended Motion/Second: Poe/Stephens
Carried: 2/1 (Graham-Mejia "No")
Allow the Ad Hoc Subcommittee to establish criteria and rate the proposals and bring the information back to the City Council for discussion.

B. Authorization to Circulate a Request for Proposal Seeking a Qualified Certified Public Accounting Firm to Audit the City's Financial Statements, including Waste Hauler Franchise Fees

This report is requesting authorization of the City Council to circulate a request for proposal which seeks a qualified certified public accounting firm to audit the City's financial statements, including waste hauler franchise fees, for three fiscal years, beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011.

City Manager Stewart summarized the staff report and noted that two additional requests were added to the audit proposal: LATV financial information and Waste Hauler Franchise Fees.

Motion/Second: Edgar/Kusumoto

Unanimously Carried: Approved the Request for Proposal; and, authorized staff to advertise and solicit proposals.

**10. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INITIATED BUSINESS
Council Announcements**

Council Member Graham-Mejia addressed the rotation of this item and asked it be consistent; commended Cat Driscoll for participating in the blood and bone marrow drive for Kai Quinonez and encouraged residents to attend; thanked Mr. Strawther for his time working with LATV; asked for the possibility of having a Town Hall Meeting for the Black Hawk reassignment and requested flyers be delivered to residents; and, asked the issue of ad hoc subcommittees be agendaized for Council discussion. Council Member Graham-Mejia requested confirmation regarding Council appointments for the City Selection Committee Meeting representative.

Council Member Kusumoto thanked Mayor Stephens for allowing him to present a Commendation recognizing the Los Alamitos High School Boys Basketball Team as Sunset League Co-Champions; commented on the bone marrow drive for Kai Quinonez; and, requested information on who from the Council attends the upcoming City Selection Committee Meeting.

Council Member Poe commented on the lease extension of St. Isidore's Plaza and thanked Maria Teresa Diaz and the community, residents and business-members for the support they have provided to this date and asked for continued support; reported on her attendance at the OC Library Board Meeting and provided information on the allocation formula which determine library operations noting the Los Alamitos/Rossmoor Library will remain status quo as it relates to operating days and times; and, encouraged residents to partake in the blood/bone marrow drive for Kai Quinonez.

Mayor Pro Tem Edgar advised Allen McClean is retiring from the Casa Youth Shelter Board and thanked Allen for his years of service to the community; reported on the Orange County Sanitation District Meeting and expressed his concern of OCSD's five-year 10% a year rate increase plan; thanked Council Member Poe for her effort on the OC Library Board and acknowledged the significance of the allocation formula; provided an update on Congressman Royce's Town Hall Meeting which focused on reducing spending and getting a

budget passed; advised the City of Stanton will be placing a UUT extension on the ballot, and in an effort to reduce costs in the largest portion of its budget, the City decided to close a police substation; advised Banners of Honor are still available for purchase and thanked Nancy Karmelich for her continued dedication to the program; and, asked the City's website be evaluated as to the amount and type of content that is available.

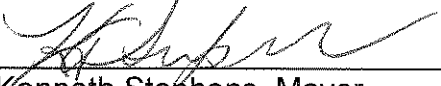
Mayor Stephens reported on his attendance at the OCFA Board Meeting and the OCFA's Budget and Finance Committee Meeting and advised the committee decided to reinstate false alarm fees and fire sprinkler installation inspections fees; advised April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month, zero tolerance on texting and hand-held phone use while driving; advised Council Member Graham-Mejia that the rotation was not on the previous agenda, but will make sure it is listed in all future agendas; asked that the Town Hall Meeting in regards to the Black Hawk reassignment be held at the Base; congratulated Bill and Marilyn Poe on their 53rd wedding anniversary; and, wished his son, Andrew, a Happy Birthday tomorrow.

11. ITEMS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Jeffrey L. Stewart, City Manager, had nothing to report.

12. ADJOURNMENT

At 10:40 p.m., Mayor Stephens adjourned the City Council Meeting.



Kenneth Stephens, Mayor

ATTEST:



Adria M. Jimenez, CMC
City Clerk