

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE  
MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL  
HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2018, 7:30 P.M.**

**STUDY SESSION:** Mayor Tom Adams convened the Study Session of the Monrovia City Council of Tuesday, January 16, 2018, at 6:05 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 415 S. Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California, at which all members were present, with the exception of Councilmember Alexander C. Blackburn, to discuss a Multi-Modal Transportation/Mobility Program. Staff was directed to move forward on proposed programs. Mayor Adams adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

**CONVENE:** Mayor Tom Adams convened the Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council on Tuesday, January 16, 2018, at 7:34 p.m. in City Council Chambers. In attendance were City Manager Oliver Chi, City Attorney Craig Steele, and City Clerk Alice D. Atkins.

**INVOCATION:** Pastor Joy Flores led the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Councilmember Becky A. Shevlin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** In attendance were Councilmembers Becky A. Shevlin, Larry J. Spicer, Mayor Pro Tem Gloria Crudginton and Mayor Tom Adams. Councilmember Alexander C. Blackburn was excused.

**REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION:** None.

**PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

**PR-1 Recognition of Newly Hired Employees:** Staff introduced newly hired Human Resources Senior Management Analyst Sharmeen Bhojani, Recreation Division Administrative Assistant Page Garcia, and Police Services Representative Lupe Bilheimer.

**PR-3 Pasadena Humane Society Pet of the Month:** Pasadena Humane Society Executive Director Julie Bank introduced Bobbi, this month's pet available for adoption through the Pasadena Humane Society.

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:** Student Liaison Ciera Miller reported on activities at the high school.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS:** Mayor Adams noted that he received a request to move item RCM-2 up to follow the Consent Calendar.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** In response to a speaker information card received, item CC-3 was pulled for discussion. **It was moved by Councilmember Shevlin, seconded by Councilmember Spicer, to approve the balance of the consent calendar.** The motion carried unanimously. The consent calendar consisted of the following items:

**CC-1 Unadopted Minutes of the December 19, 2017, Special and Regular Meetings of the Monrovia City Council:** The City Council adopted the Minutes of the December 19, 2017, Special and Regular Meetings.

**CC-2 Payroll Nos. 26 and 1 in the Net Amounts of \$656,896.78 and \$677,088.63, Respectively, and Warrant Registers dated December 21 and 28, 2017, and January 4 and 11, 2018, in the Total Amounts of \$1,221,869.08, \$691,845.17, \$1,554,330.41, and \$566,319.27, Respectively:** The City Council approved Payroll Nos. 26 and 1 in the net amounts of \$656,896.78 and \$677,088.63, respectively, and Warrant Registers dated December 21 and 28, 2017, and January 4 and 11, 2018, in the total amounts of \$1,221,869.08, \$691,845.17, \$1,554,330.41, and \$566,319.27, respectively.

**CC-3 Appropriation of Additional Funds in an Amount not to Exceed \$25,000 for Use Towards the Home Security Rebate Program, Resolution No. 2018-08:** This item was pulled for discussion.

**CC-4 2018 Local Agency Biennial Notice and Amendment of Conflict of Interest Code to Include Positions that must be Designated and Deleting Positions that no Longer Exist, Resolution No. 2018-04:** The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-04.

**CC-5 Repeal of Resolution No. 93-06 and Adoption of New Local California Environmental Quality Act**

**(CEQA) Guidelines, Resolution No. 2018-01:** The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-01.

**CC-6 Acceptance of Irrevocable Offer of Dedication of a 9,153 Square Foot Area Improved as Public Right-of-Way at 159 El Norte Street and Finding the Dedication Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act, Resolution No. 2018-07:** The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-07.

**CC-7 Acceptance of Work, Filing a Notice of Completion, and Release of Retention Funds to SpectraTurf, Inc., for the Resurfacing of the Playground Surface at Library Park:** The City Council accepted the work of SpectraTurf, Inc. for the for the resurfacing of the playground surface at Library Park, authorized the City Clerk to file the Notice of Completion, and directed staff to release all retained funds in accordance with the contract provisions.

This item was taken out of order:

**ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR, IF NEEDED:**

**CC-3 Appropriation of Additional Funds in an Amount not to Exceed \$25,000 for Use Towards the Home Security Rebate Program, Resolution No. 2018-08:** The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-08.

Lauren Vasquez, Deputy City Manager, reviewed the Agenda Report and answered questions of the City Council.

**Public Input:**

1. Gwendolyn Jones, Monrovia

**It was moved by Councilmember Spicer, seconded by Councilmember Shevlin, to adopted Resolution No. 2018-08.** The motion carried unanimously.

The following item was taken out of order:

**REPORTS OF CITY MANAGER AND STAFF**

**RCM-2 California Earthquake Authority (CEA) Earthquake Preparedness and Grant Program Overview:** Glenn Pomeroy, Executive Director of the California Earthquake Authority, provided an overview of the importance of earthquake preparedness and the availability of funds through the Brace and Bolt grant program.

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

1. Barbara Gholar, Monrovia Duarte Black Alumni Association
2. Brian Tindall, Monrovia
3. Stephen Grollnek, Monrovia
4. Gwendolyn Jones, Monrovia

**PUBLIC HEARINGS / MEETINGS:**

**PH-1 Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Programs; Resolution No. 2018-03**

Ariel Tolefree-Williams, Neighborhood Services Program Coordinator, reviewed the Agenda Report and answered questions of the City Council.

Mayor Adams opened and closed the public hearing, as there was no one present who wished to speak for or against the matter.

**It was moved by Councilmember Spicer, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crudgington, to adopt Resolution No. 2018-03.** The motion carried unanimously.

**PH-2 Proposed Adjustments for Water Fees, Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 2018-01, and Adoption of Resolution No. 2018-06**

City Manager Oliver Chi, reviewed the Agenda Report and answered questions of the City Council.

At Mayor Adams' request, City Clerk Atkins stated that the number of people eligible to file protests related to water rates was 9,297, a majority would equal 4,650 protests, and the current count at the beginning of the meeting was 574 protests, or 6.2% of eligible accounts.

Mayor Adams opened the public hearing.

Public Input:

1. Victor Castellano, Monrovia, spoke in opposition
2. Carol Daley, Monrovia, spoke in opposition
3. Kristian Solen, spoke in opposition
4. Michelle Cooper, spoke in opposition
5. Brian Brzycki, spoke in opposition
6. Glen Kangas, spoke in opposition
7. Robert Hansen, mandate conservation
8. Madelyn Shaul, spoke in opposition
9. Maia Downs, spoke in opposition
10. Gayle Montgomery, spoke in support
11. Prippan Tantiphrasertchai, spoke in opposition
12. Karen Wolstenholme, spoke in opposition

Mayor Adams closed the public hearing.

City Manager Chi responded to questions related meter sizes, tiered rates, new development rates, accountability with the Water Master and Water District; what happens if above average or below average rainfall occurs; Year over year increase;

City Clerk Atkins reported the total protest ballots cast for the proposed water rate adjustment as 583, and confirmed that a majority protest was not received.

Following discussion, **it was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Crudgington, seconded by Becky Shevlin, to introduce, waive further reading, and read by title only Ordinance No. 2018-01.** The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

City Attorney Craig A. Steele read the title of Ordinance No. 2018-01 as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A SCHEDULE OF WATER SERVICE CHARGES

**It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Crudgington, seconded by Becky Shevlin, to adopt Resolution No. 2018-03.** The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

Mayor Adams called for a recess from 10:45 p.m. to 10:55 p.m.

#### REPORTS OF CITY MANAGER AND STAFF

**RCM-1 City Council Directives Update:** City Manager Chi provided an update on items recently added to the log of City Council Directives.

**RCM-2 California Earthquake Authority (CEA) Earthquake Preparedness and Grant Program Overview:** This item was heard out of order following Consent Calendar above.

#### REPORTS OF CITY COUNCILMEMBERS AND SUB-COMMITTEES

**RCC-1 Mayor Tom Adams** had no report.

#### **RCC-2 Mayor Pro Tem Gloria Crudgington**

(a) San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) Water Committee Position on Safe, Clean Water Program Elements and Stormwater Legislative and Regulatory Priorities for 2018. The City Council concurred with voting in support of the items.

**RCC-3 Councilmember Alexander C. Blackburn** was excused.

**RCC-4 Councilmember Becky Shevlin:**

- (a) Upcoming San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) meeting
- (b) Upcoming discussion on homelessness issues and concerns
- (c) 2018 homeless count
- (d) Upcoming events in the community

**RCC-5 Councilmember Larry J Spicer**

- 1. Upcoming Monrovia Area Partnership quarterly meeting

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**AR-1 Award of Contract to Sequel Contractors, Inc. for the Monrovia Renewal South Section Infrastructure Improvements Project (Project No. MR-011) and Consultant Services Agreement with Merrell-Johnson Companies for Construction Management Services**

Sean Sullivan, Public Works Division Manager, reviewed the Agenda Report and answered questions of the City Council.

Following a brief discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Spicer, seconded by Councilmember Shevlin, to award a contract to Sequel Contractors, Inc., for the completion of the Monrovia Renewal South Section Infrastructure Improvements Project (MR-011); approve a consultant services agreement with Merrell-Johnson Companies for project surveying, materials testing, inspection, and management; appropriate \$8,090,271.57 from Monrovia Renewal funds to complete this project; and authorize the City Manager to execute the necessary documents in a form approved by the City Attorney. The motion carried unanimously.

**AR-2 Award of Contract to Urban Professional Builders for the Canyon Park Cabin Deck Upgrades Project, Capital Improvement Project No. 13**

Sean Sullivan, Public Works Division Manager, reviewed the Agenda Report and answered questions of the City Council.

Following a brief discussion, it was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Crudgington, seconded by Councilmember Shevlin, to award a contract to Urban Professional Builders, Inc., for the construction of the Canyon Park Cabin Deck Upgrades Project, appropriate an additional \$86,000 funding as outlined the staff report, and authorize the City Manager to execute the necessary documents in a form approved by the City Attorney. The motion carried unanimously.

**AR-3 Allocation of Art in Public Place Funds and Agreement with Ron Husband Related to Development and Installation of a Neighborhood Treasures Landmark Post Art Piece Featuring Allen Allensworth**

Craig Jimenez, Community Development Director, reviewed the Agenda Report and answered questions of the City Council.

Public Input:

- 1. Gwendolyn Jones, Monrovia

It was moved by Councilmember Shevlin, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crudgington, to appropriate and authorize the expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 from the City's Art in Public Places fund for the establishment of the initial Neighborhood Treasures Landmark Post and Art Piece featuring Allen Allensworth and authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Ron Husband in a form approve by the City Attorney, request the Art in Public Places Committee to research what it would cost for the artwork and story be on both sides, and approve expenditure additional funds if a reasonable amount. The motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC INPUT, CONTINUED, IF NEEDED:** None

**ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR, IF NEEDED:** Heard out of order above

**SCHEDULED MEETINGS:** The next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council was scheduled for Tuesday, February 6, 2018, 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California.

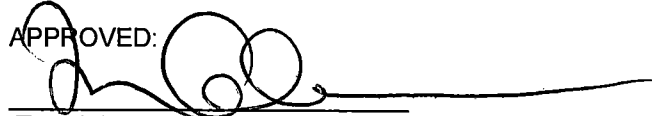
**ADJOURNMENT:** At 11:44 p.m., Mayor Tom Adams adjourned the meeting in memory of Art Thomas, former Planning Commissioner and longtime resident; Onofre Aurelio, rather of Youth Services Librarian Stephanie Aurelio; Julia Raquel Ordonez, grandmother of Public Services Senior Administrative Assistant Julia Benavides; William Richard Lopez, Monrovia High School alumni and Mt. Sierra College student; and Patricia Ostrye, former Treasurer, City Clerk, Councilmember, first directly elected Mayor, and first female Mayor.

ATTEST:



Alice D. Atkins, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED:



Tom Adams, Mayor