



CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
And the City Council Serving as the Successor Agency to the
Redevelopment Agency Board**

ACTION MINUTES

APRIL 16, 2019

5:00 P.M. – CLOSED SESSION

5:30 P.M. – PRESENTATIONS

6:00 P.M. – REGULAR SESSION

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Carl May Community Center
11711 West Drive, Desert Hot Springs, California**

CLOSED SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Matas called the Closed Session to order at 5:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Council Members: Russell Betts, Gary Gardner, Anayeli Zavala

Mayor Pro Tem: Jan Pye

Mayor: Scott Matas

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments.

Steve Quintanilla, Assistant City Attorney, announced the Closed Session Items.

CLOSED SESSION:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION**
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
Sierra Club and Center for Biological Diversity v. City of Desert Hot Springs, et al;
and Adkison Engineers, Inc. et al as real parties in interest
Riverside Superior Court Case No. RIC1821985
2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION**
(Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
Name of Case: Garcia et al v. City of Desert Hot Springs— Pending Litigation
Riverside Superior Court Case Number: PSC 1807458

PRESENTATIONS - 5:30 P.M.

3. **Introduction and Swearing-In of New Police Officers**
Chief of Police, Dale Mondary; and City Clerk, Jerryl Soriano

Dale Mondary, Chief of Police, introduced Officer Maddison Phillips and Officer Richard Curayag.

Jerryl Soriano, City Clerk, administered the Oath.

4. **Proclamation for "May is Mental Health Month"**
Mayor, Scott Matas

Mayor Matas presented the Proclamation to Riverside County Desert Behavioral Health Advisory Board Member, Jim Jones.

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REGULAR SESSION - 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Matas called the Regular Session to order at 6:01 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present:
Council Members: Russell Betts, Gary Gardner, Anayeli Zavala
Mayor Pro Tem: Jan Pye
Mayor: Scott Matas

INVOCATION

Pastor Bruce Montgomery gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Zavala led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Ted Stream, Special Counsel, reported that the City Council approved a Settlement Agreement and Implementation Agreement for Closed Session Item No. 1 (Sierra Club and Center for Biological Diversity v. City of Desert Hot Springs, et al; and Adkison Engineers, Inc. et al); and responded to questions.

Steve Quintanilla, Assistant City Attorney, advised that there was no reportable action for Closed Session Item No. 2. (Garcia et al v. City of Desert Hot Springs).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Action: Betts moved to approve the April 16, 2019 Regular Meeting agenda; and approve Consent Calendar in its entirety, motion seconded by Zavala, motion carried 5/0 by the following vote:

<u>Vote</u> :	AYES: 5 - Zavala, Betts, Matas, Pye, Gardner
Passed	NOES: 0 - (None)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Martin Carreon spoke regarding Commission appointments.

Mike Picardi gave various updates and announcements.

Pastor Jerry Johnson expressed thanks for welcome; and gave various announcements.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Doria Wilms, Assistant to the City Manager, reported on an upcoming event by Lily of the Valley Church at Tedesco Park in conjunction with ribbon cutting ceremony to commemorate the new playground equipment; and announced that a Ground-Breaking Ceremony would be held on April 24, 2019 for the New City Hall Project.

Danny Porras, Public Works Director, reported on the various projects occurring along Palm Drive.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Mayor Matas reported on the various meetings and events he attended.

Council Member Zavala reported on the various meetings and events she attended.

Council Member Gardner reported on the various meetings and events he attended.

Council Member Betts reported on the various meetings and events he attended.

Mayor Pro Tem Pye reported on the various meetings and events she attended.

ADMINISTRATIVE CALENDAR:

5. **[Acceptance of Public Improvements and Reduction of Securities with Canaday Company - Vista Hacienda, LLC for Tract No. 31762-1](#)**

Public Works Director, Daniel Porras, P.E.

Recommendation: 1) Authorize the reduction of the grading bond for Tract 31762-1 from \$47,000 to \$38,500, with Canaday Company – Vista Hacienda, LLC;
2) Approve and accept the street improvements for Tract 31762-1; and
3) Authorize the reduction of the street improvement bond for Tract 31762-1 from \$125,565 to \$100,607 for one year warranty of public improvements with Canaday Company – Vista Hacienda, LLC.

Danny Porras, Public Works Director, presented the staff report.

Martin Carreon addressed the City Council.

Action: Betts moved to approve staff recommendation, motion seconded by Gardner, motion carried 5/0 by the following vote:

Vote: AYES: 5 - Zavala, Betts, Matas, Pye, Gardner
Passed NOES: 0 - (None)

CONSENT CALENDAR:

6. **[City Council Regular Meeting Minutes: April 2, 2019](#)**

City Clerk, Jerryl Soriano, CMC

Recommendation: Approve the Minutes as presented; or as corrected.

7. **[Treasurer's Report for the Month of March 2019](#)**

Finance Director, Linda Kelly

Recommendation: Receive and file.

8. **[Payment Register and City Council Expenditures Report for the Month of March 2019](#)**

Finance Director, Linda Kelly

Recommendation: Receive and file.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments.

ADJOURN

Mayor Matas adjourned the meeting at 6:49 P.M.

Jerryl Soriano, CMC, City Clerk