



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

FEBRUARY 18, 2020

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

PRESENTATIONS - 5:30 P.M.

1. [John F. Kennedy Memorial Foundation - Ophelia Project Presentation](#)
President and Chief Executive Officer, Susan Francis

Susan Francis, President and Chief Executive Officer, provided an overview of the Ophelia Project, and responded to questions.

2. [Introduction and Swearing-In of New Police Officer](#)
Chief of Police, Jim Henson; and City Clerk, Jerryl Soriano

Jim Henson, Chief of Police, introduced Officer Randall Budzinski.

Jerryl Soriano, City Clerk, administered the Oath.

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REGULAR SESSION - 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Matas called the Regular Session to order at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

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

INVOCATION

A moment of silence was held in memory of Richard Cromwell.

Pastor Kephyan Sheppard gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Matas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Action: Betts moved to approve the February 18, 2020 Regular Meeting agenda, and approve the Consent Calendar in its entirety (Item 5 - Minutes approved as corrected), motion seconded by Griffith, motion carried 5/0 by the following vote:

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jessica Gilbert announced the Rotary Big Heart Awards event.

Florence Martin reported on the Public Safety Commission meeting; and spoke regarding the Desert Hot Springs High School Public Safety Academy.

Ted Mayrhofer spoke regarding commissions.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Daniel Porras, Public Works Director, provided updates regarding the Palm Drive paving project; Palm Drive Phase II project; new traffic signals; and the KMart parking lot lights.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

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

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

Mayor Pro Tem Griffith reported on the various meetings and events he attended.

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

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

ADMINISTRATIVE CALENDAR:

3. [2019 ATP Safety Program Projects - Engineering Design and Reimbursement Agreement](#)

Public Works Director, Daniel Porras

Recommendation: 1) Authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement between the City of Desert Hot Springs and Omnis Inc. for the Design of the 2019 ATP Safety Program Projects in an amount not to exceed \$1,321,000.00; and
2) Authorize the City Manager to execute a Reimbursement Agreement between the City of Desert Hot Springs and CVAG for the Design of the 2019 ATP Safety Program Projects for a total amount not to exceed \$1,321,000.00 in which 75% of the CVAG Regional Share would equal \$990,750.00, and the City of Desert Hot Springs Local share would equal \$330,250.00, allowing substantive changes to be made by the City Manager and City Attorney as they deem appropriate.

Council Member Betts recused due to a potential conflict of interest.

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

Action: Pye moved to approve staff recommendation, motion seconded by Gardner, motion carried 4/0 by the following vote:

Vote: AYES: 4 - Matas, Pye, Gardner, Griffith
Passed NOES: 0 - (None)

4. [Palm Springs International Airport Commission Nomination](#)

City Clerk, Jerryl Soriano, CMC

Recommendation: Consider a nomination to the Palm Springs International Airport Commission for a term ending February 28, 2022.

Jerryl Soriano, City Clerk, presented the staff report.

Action: Betts moved to nominate Council Member Pye, motion seconded by Gardner, motion carried 5/0 by the following vote:

Vote:
Passed

AYES: 5 - Betts, Matas, Pye, Gardner, Griffith
NOES: 0 - (None)

CONSENT CALENDAR:

5. **City Council Regular Meeting Minutes: February 4, 2020**

City Clerk, Jerryl Soriano, CMC

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

Written comments from Brad Anderson were received and filed.

The Minutes were approved as corrected under "Approval of the Agenda."

6. **Payment Register and City Council Expenditures Report for the Month of December 2019**

Finance Director, Geoffrey Buchheim

Recommendation: Receive and File

7. **Treasurer's Report for the Month of December 2019**

Finance Director, Geoffrey Buchheim

Recommendation: Receive and File

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

Mayor Matas adjourned the meeting at 6:43 P.M.

Jerryl Soriano, CMC, City Clerk