

**MINUTES
VERNON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2020
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 4305 SANTA FE AVENUE**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lopez called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Lopez led the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Leticia Lopez, Mayor (via remote access)
Melissa Ybarra, Mayor Pro Tem (via remote access)
William Davis, Council Member (via remote access)
Carol Menke, Council Member (via remote access)
Diana Gonzales, Council Member (via remote access)

STAFF PRESENT:

Carlos Fandino, City Administrator (via remote access)
Arnold Alvarez-Glasman, Interim City Attorney (via remote access)
Lisa Pope, City Clerk
Scott Williams, Finance Director (via remote access)
Abraham Alemu, Public Utilities General Manager (via remote access)
Fredrick Agyin, Health and Environmental Control Director (via remote access)
Michael Earl, Human Resources Director (via remote access)
Anthony Miranda, Police Chief (via remote access)
Dan Wall, Public Works Director (via remote access)
Mike Shehata, Senior Information Technology Analyst

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION

Mayor Pro Tem Ybarra moved and Mayor Lopez seconded a motion to approve the agenda.
The question was called and the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

PRESENTATIONS

1. **California Highway Patrol (CHP) "10851" Grand Theft Auto Recovery Award**

Recommendation: This is a presentation only. No action required by City Council.

Police Chief Miranda and Lt. March Santiago acknowledged Officer Patrick Cam for receiving the California Highway Patrol (CHP) "10851" Grand Theft Auto Recovery Award.

2. **Increased Use of Ground Water**

Recommendation: This is a presentation only. No action is required by City Council.

Assistant General Manager Todd Dusenberry provided an update on the City's use of imported water.

In response to Council questions, Assistant General Manager Dusenberry explained the various funding sources; water storage capacity; and use of the tank.

3. **Coronavirus (COVID-19) Vaccine Clinical Trial Update from University of Southern California (USC) Keck School of Medicine**

Recommendation: This is a presentation only. No action required by City Council.

Health and Environmental Control Director Agyin and Mary Dacuma, Keck Medicine of USC, presented an update on the clinical trial, Operation Warp Speed.

In response to Council questions, Ms. Dacuma and Health and Environmental Control Director Agyin discussed the intent for 350 participants; media relations; and different methods of vaccines.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION

Mayor Pro Tem Ybarra moved and Council Member Gonzales seconded a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. The question was called and the motion carried unanimously.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

4. **Approval of the Minutes**

Recommendation: Approve the November 17, 2020 Regular City Council meeting minutes.

5. **Claims Against the City**

Recommendation: Receive and file the claims submitted by Vernon Tire Inc., dba Commercial Tire Company, in the amount of \$18,000; and Jason Felix, in the amount of \$900.

6. **Operating Account Warrant Register**
Recommendation: Approve Operating Account Warrant Register No. 57, for the period of November 1 through November 14, 2020, which totals \$4,931,288.20 and consists of ratification of electronic payments totaling \$4,714,541.49 and ratification of the issuance of early checks totaling \$216,746.71.
7. **Public Works Department Monthly Report**
Recommendation: Receive and file the October 2020 Building Report.
8. **Sale of Surplus Vernon Fire Apparatus and Equipment to Local Municipalities**
Recommendation: A. Approve and authorize the City Administrator to execute the Purchase and Sale Agreement with the City of Compton, in substantially the same form as submitted, for the sale of: 1. One (1) 2002 Seagrave Engine with assigned hose complement and equipment; 2. One (1) 1998 Spartan/LTI Truck 7576; and B. Approve and authorize the City Administrator to execute the Purchase and Sale Agreement with the City of Montebello, in substantially the same form as submitted, for the sale of: 1. One (1) 2009 Seagrave Engine 7576; 2. One (1) 2009 Seagrave Engine 779; 3. One (1) 2017 Hurst E-Draulic Cutter, spreader, ram, batteries, battery charger, chains, tips, and accessories; and 4. One (1) 2014 Hurst Quad Power Unit, cutter, spreader, ram, hoses w/quick couplers, chains, tips and accessories.
9. **Donation of Surplus Vernon Fire Apparatus to Local Fire Academies**
Recommendation: A. Approve and authorize the City Administrator to execute the Deed of Gift and Donation Agreement and Release with Rio Hondo Fire Academy, in substantially the same form as submitted, for the donation of one (1) 2002 Seagrave Engine with assigned hose complement and equipment; and B. Approve and authorize the City Administrator to execute the Deed of Gift and Donation Agreement and Release with Verdugo Fire Academy/Glendale Community College, in substantially the same form as submitted, for the donation of one (1) 1998 Seagrave Engine with assigned hose complement and equipment.

NEW BUSINESS

10. **Amendments to the Classification and Compensation Plan**
Recommendation: A. Approve new job descriptions for the positions of Code Enforcement Officer and Utilities Program Analyst; and B. Adopt Resolution No. 2020-42 amending Exhibit C of the Classification and Compensation Plan, adopted by Resolution No. 2020-19 and as amended by Resolution Nos. 2020-28, 2020-29, and 2020-32 to add new classifications and associated salary ranges.

Human Resources Director Earl presented the staff report.

MOTION

Council Member Menke moved and Mayor Pro Tem Ybarra seconded a motion to: A. Approve new job descriptions for the positions of Code Enforcement Officer and Utilities Program Analyst; and B. Adopt Resolution No. 2020-42 amending Exhibit C of the Classification and Compensation Plan, adopted by Resolution No. 2020-19 and as amended by Resolution Nos. 2020-28, 2020-29, and 2020-32 to add new classifications and associated salary ranges. The question was called and the motion carried unanimously.

11. Software as a Service Agreement with Tyler Technologies for a Citywide Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Software System, Hosting, Implementation, and Support (Continued from November 17, 2020)

Recommendation: Approve the Software as a Service Agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc., in substantially the same form as submitted, for the purpose of an upgrade from the current Tyler ERP system (Eden) to a comprehensive ERP software system, which would include modules for Munis, EnerGov, Digital Health Department (DHD), and the Munis Utility Billing Customer Information System (CIS), with funds reserved for a project management consultant in an amount not-to-exceed \$3,439,726 for a three (3) year term.

Finance Director Williams presented the staff report.

In response to Council questions, Finance Director Williams explained the selection of Tyler Technologies, the RFP process, end of life of current system, and online payments. Senior Information Technology Analyst Shehata explained the security systems used by Tyler Technologies. City Clerk Pope provided an update on the City's website upgrade.

MOTION

Mayor Por Tem Ybarra moved and Council Member Gonzales seconded a motion to approve the Software as a Service Agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc., in substantially the same form as submitted, for the purpose of an upgrade from the current Tyler ERP system (Eden) to a comprehensive ERP software system, which would include modules for Munis, EnerGov, Digital Health Department (DHD), and the Munis Utility Billing Customer Information System (CIS), with funds reserved for a project management consultant in an amount not-to-exceed \$3,439,726 for a three (3) year term. The question was called and the motion carried unanimously.

ORAL REPORTS

City Administrator Reports on Activities and other Announcements.

City Administrator Fandino provided an update on recent Police activity. Police Chief Miranda provided an update on the holiday activities on December 16, 2020.

City Administrator Fandino reported on the Bandini Island upgrade; public utility outages; Housing Commission meeting December 9, 2020, 6:00 p.m.; COVID-19; and the transition of fire services to Los Angeles County.

City Clerk Pope and Human Resources Director Earl stated the Book Drive and Food Drive were ongoing.

City Council Reports on Activities (including AB1234), Announcements, or Directives to Staff.

Council Member Menke reported on her attendance at the National League of Cities Summit, November 18-20, 2020, at a total cost to the City of \$250.

RECESS

Mayor Lopez recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 10:20 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

12. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

- A. Bicent (California) Malburg LLC et al. v. City of Vernon et al.,
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCV08859 and JAMS Reference No.
1100107175
- B. City of Vernon v. Bicent (California) Malburg LLC
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCP02411 and JAMS Reference
No.1220062657

RECONVENE

At 11:01 a.m., Mayor Lopez adjourned Closed Session and reconvened the regular meeting.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Interim City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman reported that the Council, with all five members present, met in Closed Session, discussed the items on the agenda, and took no reportable action.

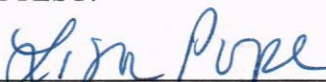
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lopez adjourned the meeting at 11:02 a.m.



LETICIA LOPEZ, Mayor

ATTEST:



LISA POPE, City Clerk
(seal)