

MINUTES

GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Community Meeting Center  
11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92840

CONVENE MEETING

At 6:33 p.m., Mayor Jones convened the meeting.

ROLL CALL      PRESENT:      (6)      Council Members O'Neill, Tran, DoVinh,  
Klopfenstein, Nguyen, Brietigam, Mayor  
Jones

ABSENT:      (1)      Council Member DoVinh absent at Roll Call,  
but joined meeting at 6:34 p.m.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

RECESS

At 6:35 p.m. Mayor Jones recessed the meeting.

RECONVENE

At 6:39 p.m., Mayor Jones reconvened the meeting with all Council Members present.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Speakers:    Ana Parker, Nicholas Dibs

RECESS

At 6:51 p.m. Mayor Jones recessed the meeting.

RECONVENE

At 6:55 p.m., Mayor Jones reconvened the meeting with all Council Members present.

PRESENTATION – COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT IN RECOGNITION OF THE GARDEN GROVE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR VALUED SERVICE

ADOPTION OF A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING JUNE AS LGBTQ PRIDE MONTH (F: 83.1-2023)

It was moved by Council Member Klopfenstein, seconded by Council Member Nguyen that:

A Proclamation recognizing June as LGBTQ Pride Month, be adopted.

The motion carried by a 7-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (7) O'Neill, Tran, DoVinh, Klopfenstein, Nguyen,  
Brietigam, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

REJECTION OF ALL BIDS AND AUTHORIZATION TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR PROJECT NO. CP-1287000, ANABEL – WOODBURY WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (F: 92.PROJ.CP1287000)

It was moved by Council Member Klopfenstein, seconded by Council Member Nguyen that:

All bids received on Thursday, May 4, 2023 for Project No. CP-1287000 – Anabel – Woodbury Water Improvement Project be rejected; and

Staff be authorized to re-advertise the project.

The motion carried by a 7-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (7) O'Neill, Tran, DoVinh, Klopfenstein, Nguyen,  
Brietigam, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM NO. 4 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH LFA TO CONDUCT A TWO-DAY MUSIC FESTIVAL AT VILLAGE GREEN PARK THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 17 THROUGH AUGUST 18, 2024 (F: 55-LFA GROUP, LLC)

It was moved by Council Member Klopfenstein, seconded by Council Member Nguyen that:

Addendum No. 4 to the agreement with LFA Group, LLC to conduct the 2024 Music Festival at Village Green Park, beginning Saturday, August 17 through Sunday, August 18, 2024, be approved; and

The City Manager, or her designee, be authorized to make minor modifications to, and execute Addendum No. 4 on behalf of the City.

The motion carried by a 7-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (7) O'Neill, Tran, DoVinh, Klopfenstein, Nguyen,  
Brietigam, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

AWARD A CONTRACT TO H.L. MILLER, INC., FOR INTERIOR OFFICE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, 11277 GARDEN GROVE NO. 03-2023 (JOINT ACTION ITEM WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY) (F: 55-H.L. MILLER, INC.)

It was moved by Council Member Klopfenstein, seconded by Council Member Nguyen that:

The award of contract to H.L. Miller, Inc., in the amount of \$88,472.12, for the Interior Office Improvement Project, 11277 Garden Grove No. 03-2023, be approved;

The Finance Director be authorized to create a new Capital Improvement Project (CIP) for the Housing Authority and appropriate \$88,472.12 from the Housing Authority's existing operating funds for the CIP. In the case that the Housing Authority's operating funds are insufficient to cover the entire Project cost, the Finance Director shall allocate the General Fund money to subsidize for the balance; and

Authorize the City Manager/Director, or her designee, to execute the contract, and make minor modifications, on behalf of the City and the Housing Authority, as appropriate.

The motion carried by a 7-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (7) O'Neill, Tran, DoVinh, Klopfenstein, Nguyen,  
Brietigam, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

HOUSING AUTHORITY ACTION

It was moved by Commissioner O'Neill, seconded by Commissioner Klopfenstein that:

The award of contract to H.L. Miller, Inc., in the amount of \$88,472.12, for the Interior Office Improvement Project, 11277 Garden Grove No. 03-2023, be approved;

The Finance Director be authorized to create a new Capital Improvement Project (CIP) for the Housing Authority and appropriate \$88,472.12 from the Housing Authority's existing operating funds for the CIP. In the case that the Housing Authority's operating funds are insufficient to cover the entire Project cost, the Finance Director shall allocate the General Fund money to subsidize for the balance; and

Authorize the Director/City Manager, or her designee, to execute the contract, and make minor modifications, on behalf of the Housing Authority and the City, as appropriate.

The motion carried by an 8-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes: (8) O'Neill, Tran, Jones, DoVinh, Klopfenstein,  
T. Nguyen, K. Nguyen, Brietigam  
Noes: (0) None  
Absent: (1) Beckles

AWARD A CONTRACT TO DAVIS FARR LLP TO PROVIDE ANNUAL AUDITING SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022-23 AND 2023-24 (F: 55-DAVIS FARR, LLP)

It was moved by Council Member Klopfenstein, seconded by Council Member Nguyen that:

Staff be authorized to dispense with bidding in the best interest of the City pursuant to Garden Grove Municipal Code 2.50.060(G);

A contract be awarded to Davis Farr for annual auditing services for fiscal years 2022-23 and 2023-24; and

The City Manager or her designee be authorized to execute the contract, approve minor modifications as needed, and exercise the option to extend the contract up to three years.

The motion carried by a 7-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (7) O'Neill, Tran, DoVinh, Klopfenstein, Nguyen,  
Brietigam, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

RECEIVE AND FILE MINUTES FROM THE MEETINGS HELD ON APRIL 11, 2023, APRIL 25, 2023, AND MAY 9, 2023 (F: VAULT)

It was moved by Council Member Klopfenstein, seconded by Council Member Nguyen that:

The minutes from the meetings held on April 11, 2023, April 25, 2023, and May 9, 2023, be received and filed.

The motion carried by a 7-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (7) O'Neill, Tran, DoVinh, Klopfenstein, Nguyen, Brietigam, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

WARRANTS

It was moved by Council Member Klopfenstein, seconded by Council Member Nguyen that:

Payroll warrants issued on May 18, 2023, inclusive as listed on this register and have been verified by the Finance Division as properly issued and bear all proper signatures, be received and filed.

The motion carried by a 7-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (7) O'Neill, Tran, DoVinh, Klopfenstein, Nguyen, Brietigam, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

PUBLIC HEARING - ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE GARDEN GROVE TOURISM IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD REPORT AND LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 (F: 32.1)

Following staff's presentation, Jay Burress, President and CEO, Visit Anaheim provided a presentation. Some key highlights were as follows:

- Tourism numbers were at peak levels in 2022 with trend normalizing back to 2019 levels this year
- City-wide events are on trend to meet 2019 numbers
- Hotel Centric Co-op Programs that include hotels like the Anaheim Marriott Suites, Embassy Suites by Hilton, Great Wolf Lodge, among others; these programs include room night sales through Expedia, Get Away Today, and Hotelbeds
- Garden Grove participation in Tourism Programs that include International Sales Missions, Familiarization (FAM) Tours, Wholesale

Operator Events, Trade Shows, Domestic Initiatives, Spring Training Campaign, Destination Forecast Meeting and TPU Update Meeting

- New South Korea and Japan Sales Mission 2023 to coincide with Garden Grove's economic development campaign into that market
- Communications Plan through social media, newsletters, and media relations

Next, Kevin Schjei, General Manager, Marriot Suites provided an overview of Garden Grove Tourism Improvement District Advisory updates as follows:

- Landscaping – Budget has been restored to 2019 levels and will be bidding out landscaping agreement for resort district beautification
- Bus shelter updates
- Security – Recently hired new security company with expanded coverage for better pricing; Flock cameras which are license plate reading cameras, have been installed throughout the resort district; associate alert devices for all 10 hotels to be installed by the end of the year.

With no questions from the City Council, Mayor Jones declared the public hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the City Council.

Speakers: Nicholas Dibs

There being no further response from the audience, the public hearing was declared closed.

The Deputy City Clerk announced that no protests were received; therefore, there was not a majority protest.

Council Member DoVinh suggested more collaboration with Sister Cities noting the importance to grow these relationships. As an advocate of public art, Council Member DoVinh also asked for consideration of wall space at local hotels where art created by local artists can be displayed.

With no further discussion, it was moved by Council Member Klopfenstein, seconded by Council Member Nguyen that:

Resolution No. 9787-23 entitled: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Garden Grove confirming the Annual Report of the Garden Grove Tourism Improvement District Advisory Board and levying the assessment for Fiscal Year 2023-24 for the Garden Grove Tourism Improvement District, be adopted.

The motion carried by a 7-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (7) O'Neill, Tran, DoVinh, Klopfenstein, Nguyen,

Brietigam, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

AWARD OF CONTRACTS TO: WRENCH REBEL COLLISION, LLC, CALIBER BODYWORKS INC. DBA CALIBER COLLISION CENTERS, AND WILSON E. GUZMAN DBA SHARP AUTO BODY AND PAINT FOR AUTO PARTS AND LABOR FOR REPAIR OF CITY VEHICLES (F: 55-WRENCH REBEL COLLISION, LLC; 55-CALIBER COLLISION CENTERS; 55-SHARP AUTO BODY AND PAINT)

Following staff introduction, it was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Brietigam, seconded by Council Member Klopfenstein that:

Contracts for miscellaneous auto parts and labor be awarded to:

- Wrench Rebel Collision, LLC in the amount of \$125,000;
- Caliber Bodyworks Inc. dba Caliber Collision Centers in the amount of \$125,000; and
- Wilson E. Guzman dba Sharp Auto Body and Paint in the amount of \$50,000;

With four option years for a total of five years for each contract, to be reviewed annually by the City Manager; and

The City Manager be authorized to execute the contracts, and option year contracts, on behalf of the City.

The motion carried by a 7-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (7) O'Neill, Tran, DoVinh, Klopfenstein, Nguyen,  
Brietigam, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

AWARD A CONTRACT TO PAVEMENT COATINGS CO. FOR THE 2023 ARTERIAL STREETS SLURRY SEAL PROJECT NO. CP-1355000 (F: 96.PROJ.CP1355000)

Following staff introduction and it was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Brietigam, seconded by Council Member K. Nguyen that:

A contract in the amount of \$4,643,865, be awarded to Pavement Coatings Co., for the Arterial Streets Slurry Seal Project 2023, for work on the following street segments:

Harbor Boulevard from Westminster Ave to Trask Ave; Clinton Street from Westminster Ave to Trask Ave; Chapman Avenue from 9th St to West St; Brookhurst Street from Trask Ave to Garden Grove Blvd; Brookhurst Street from Chapman Ave to Katella Ave; Westminster Avenue from Brookhurst St to Bowen St; Lampson Avenue from Valley

View St to Springdale Street; West Street from Garden Grove Blvd to Lampson Ave; Nutwood Street from Garden Grove Blvd to Chapman Ave; and Nelson Street from Garden Grove Blvd to Chapman Ave.

That the City Manager be authorized to execute an agreement with Pavement Coatings Co., and make minor modifications as appropriate thereto, on behalf of the City.

The motion carried by a 7-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (7) O'Neill, Tran, DoVinh, Klopfenstein, Nguyen, Brietigam, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

MATTERS FROM THE MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, AND CITY MANAGER

Mayor Pro Tem Brietigam expressed enthusiasm for the upcoming Strawberry Festival to take place on Memorial Day weekend. He invited the public to come out and enjoy the parade, festivities, and food.

Council Member O'Neill encouraged the community to demonstrate cordialness and hospitality to visitors as he shared an anecdote about a recent encounter with a YouTuber from the East Coast named "Reggie" who was in town attending the NAMM event. He noted that visitors' positive experiences are good for the community as these visitors shop and lodge locally. Lastly, Council Member O'Neill shared the success of the recent District 2 Community Clean-up Event. He shared that this is the last of the citywide scheduled Community Events this year, but reminded the public that they can contact Republic Services for bulky-item pickup services three times a year.

Council Member Tran thanked City staff for their work and actions towards resolving a resident complaint. She shared that she attended the Innovating Commerce Serving Communities (ICSC) 2023 Las Vegas Conference and thanked the Office of Economic Development team and City Manager Lisa Kim for their hard work at the conference. It was a busy event with back-to-back meetings and highlighted the fact that Garden Grove was recognized and praised by other agencies and investors for the work that Garden Grove is doing. She was truly impressed by staff's work and noted the value of attending this conference.

Council Member DoVinh thanked City Council members for selecting him to attend the Innovating Commerce Serving Communities (ICSC) 2023 Las Vegas Conference. He highlighted the importance of this event where partnerships and relationships are fostered with other cities, developers, and businesses. He noted appreciation for staffs' ability to interconnect with developers, realtors, and existing partners. He further highlighted the importance of the business partnerships noting that these businesses contribute to the city's revenue and thus fund infrastructure projects and



Measure O funding. Lastly, he shared information on the upcoming We Care, Garden Grove Boost Program which assists with funding for in-home daycare micro businesses. The program is federally funded through Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The application period will open July 1, 2023, and more information will be available on the City's website.

Council Member Klopfenstein thanked everyone that participated in the Garden Grove GEMS and winners will be announced soon. She also provided a Vector Control update sharing that the summer will be a season of high mosquito activity due to all the recent rain. She advised the public to dump and drain standing water and clean any overgrown plant coverage and weeds to reduce mosquito activity and avoid rat issues. Lastly, she expressed excitement for the upcoming Strawberry Festival and shared that the public can visit [strawberryfestival.org](http://strawberryfestival.org) for a list of events.

Council Member DoVinh shared information about Veterans House and their need for furniture donations. If the public has furniture to donate, they should contact John with Veterans House at (916) 470-3914 for more information.

Mayor Jones thanked the Office of Economic Development team and City Manager Lisa Kim for their hard work in the planning and preparation required for attendance and participation at the Innovating Commerce Serving Communities (ICSC) conference. Council Members Tran and DoVinh were able to experience first-hand the effectiveness of the city's economic development efforts where staff is in constant contact with property owners, developers and retailers in order to explore opportunities to keep property vacancies low in the City. Lastly, Mayor Jones also expressed excitement on the growing success of Graduates Reception where over 70 graduates were recognized this year. He noted that this event is an opportunity to reach out to the graduates and encourage them to stay, get involved and flourish in Garden Grove.

City Manager Kim stated that now that the ICSC conference has concluded, the Office of Economic Development will follow up with brokers, developers, property owners and retailers to seek opportunities in the City.

City Attorney Sandoval announced that City Council would be convening for closed session related to real property negotiations for subject property located at 12966 Euclid, Garden Grove.

### RECESS

At 7:44 p.m., Mayor Jones recessed the meeting and convened Closed Session to discuss:

Conference with Real Property Negotiators  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8  
Property: 12966 Euclid Street, Garden Grove

City Negotiator: Lisa Kim, City Manager

Negotiating Parties: Peter Wells and Anthony DeLorenzo, CBRE

Under Negotiation: To obtain direction regarding the price and terms of payment for acquisition of the property

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR CLOSED SESSION

Speakers: None.

#### CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

At 7:45 p.m., Mayor Jones convened closed session in the Founders Room with all Council Members present.

#### ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION

At 8:00 p.m., Mayor Jones adjourned closed session.

#### RECONVENE MEETING

At 8:01 p.m., Mayor Jones convened the meeting in the Council Chamber with all Council Members present.

City Attorney Sandoval stated that there was no reportable action on the closed session matter.

#### ADJOURNMENT

At 8:02 p.m., Mayor Jones adjourned the Regular meeting. The next Regular City Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. at the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, California.

Lizabeth Vasquez  
Deputy City Clerk