MINUTES

GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, February 9, 2016

Courtyard Center
12732 Main Street, Garden Grove, CA 92840

CONVENE CITY COUNCIL

At 6:00 p.m., Mayor Nguyen convened the meeting.

ROLL CALL PRESENT: (4) Mayor Nguyen, Council Members Beard, Jones, Phan

ABSENT: (1) Council Member Bui

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR CLOSED SESSION

Speakers: None.

CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

At 6:01 p.m., Mayor Nguyen announced that the City Council was going into Closed Session in the Activity Room at the Courtyard Center to discuss the following matter:

Conference with Labor Negotiators
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6(f)

City Designated Representative: Laura Stover, Human Resources Director

Employee Organizations: Garden Grove Police Association

ADJOURNMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

At 6:45 p.m., Mayor Nguyen adjourned the Closed Session.

RECONVENE MEETING

At 6:46 p.m., Mayor Nguyen reconvened the meeting in the Courtyard Center with Council Members Beard, Jones, and Phan present.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

There was no reportable action.

CONVENE REGULAR MEETING

At 6:47 p.m., Mayor Nguyen convened the meeting.

ROLL CALL PRESENT: (4) Mayor Nguyen, Council Members Beard, Jones, Phan

ABSENT: (1) Council Member Bui

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS

Report from the Orange County Human Relations Commission. (F: 52.3)

Community Spotlight: Recognition of the Orange Coast Optimists and the Octagon Club. (F: 52.3)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Speakers: Nicholas Dibs, Tony Flores, Keith Riley

RECESS

At 7:08 p.m., Mayor Nguyen declared a recess.

RECONVENE MEETING

At 7:11 p.m., Mayor Nguyen reconvened the meeting with Council Members Beard, Jones, and Phan present.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS (F: 60.5)

It was moved by Council Member Phan, seconded by Council Member Jones that:

Regular Payroll Warrants 179268 through 179323; Direct Deposits D287644 through DD288653; and Wires W2202 through W2205 be approved as presented in the payroll register submitted, and have been audited for accuracy and funds are available for payment thereof by the Finance Director.

Regular Warrants 598715 through 598985; Wire W1530; Warrants 598986 through 599629; Direct Deposits W598985 through W599629; Warrants 599630 through 599754 and Wires W1531 through W599696 be approved as presented in the warrant register submitted, and have been audited for accuracy and funds are available for payment thereof by the Finance Director.

The motion carried by a 4-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes:	(4)	Beard, Jones, Nguyen, Phan
Noes:	(0)	None
Absent:	(1)	Bui

MINUTES (F: Vault)

It was moved by Council Member Phan, seconded by Council Member Jones that:

The minutes from the January 12, 2016, meeting be received and filed.

The motion carried by a 4-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes:	(4)	Beard, Jones, Nguyen, Phan
Noes:	(0)	None
Absent:	(1)	Bui

WAIVE FULL READING OF ORDINANCES LISTED

It was moved by Council Member Phan, seconded by Council Member Jones that:

Full reading of ordinances listed be waived.

The motion carried by a 4-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes:	(4)	Beard, Jones, Nguyen, Phan
Noes:	(0)	None
Absent:	(1)	Bui

LETTER OF RESIGNATION FROM SOPHIE TRAN, PARKS, RECREATION AND ARTS COMMISSIONER (F: 122.70A)

It was moved by Mayor Nguyen, seconded by Council Member Phan that:

The resignation from Sophie Tran for the Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission, be accepted; and

The City Clerk be directed to advertise a vacancy on the Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission.

The motion carried by a 4-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes:	(4)	Beard, Jones, Nguyen, Phan
Noes:	(0)	None
Absent:	(1)	Bui

REMOVAL OF VU MAI FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (F: 122.10A)

After City Council discussion, it was moved by Mayor Nguyen, seconded by Council Member Phan that:

Vu Mai be removed from the Planning Commission.

The motion carried by a 4-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes:	(4)	Beard, Jones, Nguyen, Phan
Noes:	(0)	None
Absent:	(1)	Bui

CONTRACT WITH ORANGE COUNTY STRIPING SERVICE, INC. FOR IFB NO. S-1179-A FOR STREET STRIPING, CURB PAINTING AND SIGN INSTALLATION SERVICES
(F: 55-Orange County Striping Service, Inc.)

Following staff's presentation, it was moved by Council Member Beard, seconded by Council Member Jones that:

A contract be awarded to Orange County Striping Service, Inc., for IFB No. S-1179-A, to provide as-needed traffic striping, curb painting and sign installation services, in an amount not to exceed $351,767.30 per year, with the option to renew the contract for four (4) one year options for a total of $1,758,836.90 for a five year term;

The City Manager be authorized to execute the agreement and make any minor modifications as appropriate; and

The City Manager be authorized to exercise each option term and sign the option year agreements, provided that sufficient funds are budgeted for the option years.

The motion carried by a 4-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes:	(4)	Beard, Jones, Nguyen, Phan
Noes:	(0)	None
Absent:	(1)	Bui

CONTRACT WITH WALLACE & ASSOCIATES CONSULTING, INC., FOR ON-CALL PROFESSIONAL CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES
(F: 55-Wallace & Associates Consulting, Inc.)

Following staff's presentation, it was moved by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Phan that:

A contract be awarded for professional construction inspection services to Wallace & Associates Consulting, Inc.; and

the City Manager be authorized to execute the professional service agreement with Wallace & Associates Consulting, Inc. in the amount of $400,000.

The motion carried by a 4-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes:	(4)	Beard, Jones, Nguyen, Phan
Noes:	(0)	None
Absent:	(1)	Bui

ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL COMISSIONERS TO BE QUALITIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY (F: 122.1)(XR: 50.2)

(As approved earlier in the meeting: It was moved by Council Member Phan, seconded by Council Member Jones, and carried by a 4-0-1 vote that full reading of ordinances listed be waived.)

After City Council discussion, it was moved by Council Member Beard, seconded by Council Member Phan that:

Ordinance No. 2864 entitled: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Garden Grove amending Section 2.21.015 of Chapter 2.21 of Title 2 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code relating to qualifications of members of committees and commissions, be passed to second reading.

The motion carried by a 4-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes:	(4)	Beard, Jones, Nguyen, Phan
Noes:	(0)	None
Absent:	(1)	Bui

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE PROVISION OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, AS REQUESTED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BUI (F: 130.1)

This item to be discussed at the February 23, 2016, City Council meeting.

DISCUSSION REGARDING ANIMAL CARE SERVICES, AS REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER STILES (F: 27.1)

COUNCIL MEMBER BEARD RECUSED HIMSELF FROM THIS DISCUSSION AS HIS EMPLOYMENT WITH THE COUNTY IS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT THAT HAS DIRECT CONTACT WITH ANIMAL CARE SERVICES AND LEFT THE DAIS.

COUNCIL MEMBER PHAN ANNOUNCED THAT ALTHOUGH HE IS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, HE HAS NO CONTACT WITH ANIMAL CARE SERVICES.

City Manager Stiles and Deputy City Manager Stipe provided information regarding animal care services, noting that the City has contracted with the County for the past 34 years with very positive results. However, the past five years have seen increases to the annual cost with Fiscal Year 2015/16 projected at 1.3 million dollars. The County's current facility is 70 years old, and the County is moving forward with plans to acquire land from the former Marine Base in Tustin and to build a new animal care facility for a projected 35 million dollars. The County's contribution towards the cost of the facility is the land acquisition and five million dollars, and is seeking a commitment by April 1, 2016, to establish a ten year agreement for a supplemental cost sharing for the new facility in addition to the animal services. Garden Grove's portion would be approximately 3.5 to 4 million dollars. Due to the cost increase, alternative options have been explored that include several meetings with potential shelter service providers and with nearby cities interested in animal care service partnerships. It was requested whether the City Council would consider further investigation into alternative means of providing animal care services.

It was the consensus of Mayor Nguyen and Council Members Jones and Phan that staff be directed to move forward with exploring alternative solutions to animal care services.

COUNCIL MEMBER BEARD RETURNED TO THE DAIS.

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

In response to concerns raised under Oral Communications regarding increase of crime in Garden Grove, Council Member Phan pointed out the challenges all cities face with changes to state law for early release of prisoners and for reduced sentencing for non-violent crimes. He commended the Police Department and stated that the City is working hard to ensure everyone's safety.

Council Member Beard concurred with Council Member Phan that changes to state law impact the community, and commented that the Police Department should be recognized for doing a phenomenal job. The City is working hard to recruit and fill public safety positions as the budget allows. He stated that the Olson Company's

neighborhood meeting on Wednesday, February 10, 2016, is not a City sponsored meeting, and that he will be attending to learn about their proposed project.

Mayor Nguyen asked that the Police Department work with the Information Technology Department to provide a fillable citizen complaint form that can be submitted online. He noted that the District Attorney's Office is ready to provide a report on the Barlag/Broadwater investigation, and that for the benefit of transparency, he would like the Investigators to attend a City Council meeting and provide their findings and recommendations. He announced that he would be having one-on-one meetings for anyone interested in meeting the Mayor at the Next Level Sports Complex on Wednesday, February 10, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.

City Manager Stiles noted that there will be a Community Development Department representative attending the Olson Company's neighborhood meeting. He stated that he has directed the Human Resources Director, as well as the Fire and Police Chiefs, to be proactive at filling the public safety positions with the most qualified candidates. He announced the recruitment of nine new Fire Fighters, and the eligibility list for those positions will be in place through December 2016. Nine vacancies in the Police Department have been filled by five lateral Police Officers starting March 1, 2016, two new Police Recruits will be starting on April 6, 2016, and two more on August 16, 2016, with one of the two bilingual in English and Vietnamese.

Council Member Beard asked that there be a discussion item of the history and background on the Youth Commission and the Youth in Government Day be placed on a future agenda.

Council Member Phan commended Ms. Robin Marcario for her outstanding mosaic art work recently placed near the Pacific Electric Right of Way at the corner of Nelson Street and Acacia Parkway.

Mayor Nguyen commended City staff for their work on the State of the City event. He stated that on a sad note he would be adjourning the meeting in the memory of Daniel Nguyen, a Garden Grove resident who lost his life helping save the life of his fellow hiker and friend.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:45 p.m., Mayor Nguyen adjourned the meeting in memory of Daniel Nguyen. The next City Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 23, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. at the Courtyard Center, 12732 Main Street, Garden Grove, California.

Teresa Pomeroy, CMC
Deputy City Clerk