

MINUTES

GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, November 12, 2019

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

CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

At 6:08 p.m., Mayor Jones convened Closed Session in the Founders Room.

ROLL CALL      PRESENT:      (6)      Council Members Brietigam, T. Nguyen, Bui,  
K. Nguyen, Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein,  
Mayor Jones

ABSENT:      (1)      Council Member O'Neill absent at Roll Call,  
but joined the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR CLOSED SESSION

Speakers:   None.

CLOSED SESSION MATTERS

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: 11391 Acacia Parkway

City Negotiator: Scott C. Stiles, City Manager

Negotiating Parties: North County Senior Services LLC, Alzheimer's Orange County

Under Negotiation: To obtain direction regarding the price and terms of the lease agreement.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(1):

OCCORD v. City of Garden Grove, et al. OCSC Case No.: 30-2019-01102770

RECESS CLOSED SESSION

At 6:25 p.m., Mayor Jones adjourned Closed Session.

CONVENE REGULAR MEETING

At 6:35 p.m., Mayor Jones convened the regular meeting in the Council Chamber with all Council Members present.

## INVOCATION

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

ADOPTION OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 10 THROUGH 17, 2019, AS NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK IN GARDEN GROVE (F: 83.1)

It was moved by Mayor Jones, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein that:

A Proclamation declaring November 10 through 17, 2019, as Nurse Practitioners Week in Garden Grove, be adopted.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K. Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

Following the vote, Nurse Practitioner Demetra Bastas-Bratkic was presented a framed proclamation.

## ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Speakers: Tom Raber, Lan Quoc Nguyen, Long Nguyen, Truong Hgoc Son, Hu Phan, James Tsu, Craig Durfey, John Kelly, LaLa Truong, Tony Velazquez, Norma Kurtz, John Hanna, Tuan Bui, Duy Nguyen, Alan Blomgren, Sam Hurtado, Lan Nguyen, Rick Pham, Sean Drexler, Dowie Crittenden, Robin Marcario, Robert Harrison, Dao Tran, Dale Soeffner, Karen Rodriguez, Cynthia Guerra, Nicholas Dibs, Cu Tran, Dr. Long Pham, Annie Nguyen Chog, Steve Pho, Maureen Blackmun, Julie Diep

Correspondence received from: Harry Ha Nguyen, Ngan Nguyen, Congressman Lou Correa, Assembly Member Tom Daly, and Assembly Member Tyler Diep

RECESS

At 8:00 p.m., Mayor Jones recessed the meeting.

## RECONVENE

At 8:10 p.m., Mayor Jones convened the regular meeting in the Council Chamber

with all Council Members present.

CONSIDERATION OF A WRITTEN REQUEST FROM THE TTCS AND VAFSC TO ORGANIZE A TET PARADE IN GARDEN GROVE ON JANUARY 26, 2020 (F: 88.1) (XR: 42.8A)

Following staff introduction, a PowerPoint presentation provided by Ken Do, Programming Chair for the Tet Parade Committee with the Vietnamese American Federation for Southern California, and City Council discussion, it was moved by Council Member Brietigam, seconded by Mayor Jones that:

Staff be directed to coordinate with Tap The Chien Si Viet-Nam Cong-Hoa Hai Ngoai and the Vietnamese American Federation of Southern California to hold a Tet Parade on Sunday, January 26, 2020, with the parade route identified as Option 2: Westminster Avenue from east of Brookhurst to Taft Street; and that all costs be paid to the City in advance of the event.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K. Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

CONSIDERATION OF A WRITTEN REQUEST TO WAIVE FEES FOR THE USE OF ATLANTIS PLAY CENTER FOR THE OC AUTISM CHRISTMAS EVENT ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2019 (F: 88.1)

Following staff presentation and City Council discussion with consensus to remove the required five percent of the total fee be waived for all non-profit groups approved by the City Council for use of City facilities, it was moved by Council Member K. Nguyen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein that:

All fees be waived for the use of the Atlantis Play Center for the OC Autism Christmas Event being held on Saturday, December 14, 2019.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K. Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

RECESS

At 8:39 p.m., Mayor Jones recessed the meeting.

## RECONVENE

At 8:42 p.m., Mayor Jones convened the regular meeting in the Council Chamber with all Council Members present.

## ADOPTION OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 10 THROUGH 17, 2019, AS NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK IN GARDEN GROVE (F: 83.1)

This matter was considered earlier in the meeting.

## ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXPANSION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY RECYCLING MARKET DEVELOPMENT ZONE TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL CITIES (F: 33.1)

It was moved by Council Member K. Nguyen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein that:

Resolution No. 9593-19 entitled a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Garden Grove supporting the expansion of the Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 42010, be adopted; and

The City Manager or his designee be authorized to forward the Resolution to the City of Huntington Beach.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K. Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

## APPROVAL TO EXTEND THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CREDIT UNION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FOR OFFICE SPACE LOCATED AT 11390 STANFORD AVENUE, GARDEN GROVE (F: 55-CREDIT UNION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA)

It was moved by Council Member K. Nguyen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein that:

The Third Amendment to the Lease Agreement with the Credit Union of Southern California for continued occupancy for the property located at 11390 Stanford Avenue, in the amount of \$5,390.20 per month, be approved; and

The City Manager be authorized to execute the Third Amendment and make minor modifications as needed on behalf of the City.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K.  
Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

APPROVAL TO EXONERATE THE IMPROVEMENT BONDS FOR PARCEL MAP NO. PM 2017-187 FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7901 GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD, GARDEN GROVE (F: 118.PM-2017-187)

It was moved by Council Member K. Nguyen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein that:

Exoneration of improvement bonds for Parcel Map No. PM 2017-187, for property located on the northwest corner of Beach Boulevard and Garden Grove Boulevard at 7901 Garden Grove Boulevard, be approved.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K.  
Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

ACCEPTANCE OF PROJECT NO. 7359 – WEST HAVEN RESERVOIRS REHABILITATION PROJECT AS COMPLETE (F: 92.PROJ.7359)

It was moved by Council Member K. Nguyen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein that:

Project No. 7359 – West Haven Reservoirs Rehabilitation Project, be accepted as complete;

The City Manager be authorized to execute the Notice of Completion of Public Improvement and Work; and

The Finance Director be authorized to release the retention payment when appropriate to do so.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K.  
Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO JOHN DEERE AND CO. FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) NEW COMMERCIAL RIDING MOWER FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Continued from the October 22, 2019, meeting)

It was moved by Council Member K. Nguyen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein that:

The Finance Director be authorized to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$28,780.79 to John Deere and Co. for the purchase of one (1) new commercial riding mower.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K.  
Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

RECEIVE AND FILE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 22, 2019 (F: VAULT)

It was moved by Council Member K. Nguyen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein that:

Minutes from the meeting held on October 22, 2019, be received and filed.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K.  
Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

WARRANTS

It was moved by Council Member K. Nguyen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein that:

Regular Warrants 655966 through 656131; 656132 through 656285; 656286 through 656490; Wires W2658; Wires W2659 through W2665; Wires W656285 through W656490; and Payroll Warrants 183732 through 183755; 183756 through 183775; Direct Deposits D355419 through D356427; D356426 through D357047; and Wires W2638 through W2641; W2642 through W2645; be received and filed as presented in the warrant register submitted that have been audited for accuracy and funds are available for payment thereof by the Finance Director.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K.  
Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

WAIVER

It was moved by Council Member K. Nguyen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein that:

Full reading of ordinances listed be waived.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K.  
Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2910  
(F: 50.2)

*(As approved earlier in the meeting, it was moved by Council Member K. Nguyen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein, and approved by a 7-0 vote, that full reading of ordinances listed be waived.)*

Following the City Clerk reading of the title, and City Attorney Sandoval's presentation, Mayor Jones declared the public hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the City Council on the matter.

Speakers: Tom Raber

With no further response from the audience, Mayor Jones closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Council Member Brietigam, seconded by Council Member O'Neill that:

Ordinance No. 2910 entitled: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Garden Grove amending Title 18 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code and adopting by reference the following primary codes with certain amendments, deletions, and addition as thereto: California Building Code, 2019 Edition; California Residential Code, 2019 Edition; California Electrical Code, 2019 Edition; California Mechanical Code, 2019 Edition; California Plumbing Code, 2019 Edition; California Energy Code, 2019 Edition; California Historical Building Code, 2019 Edition; California Fire Code, 2019 Edition; California Existing Building Code, 2019 Edition; California Green Building Standards Code, 2019 Edition; California Referenced Standards Code, 2019 Edition; and certain secondary codes including the International Property Maintenance Code, 2018 Edition, as published by the International Code

Council, and the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, 2018 Edition, as published by the International Code Council, be adopted.

APPOINTMENT TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION (F: 122.11A)

It was moved by Mayor Jones, seconded by Council Member K. Nguyen that:

Yasmin Vasquez be selected to fill the vacancy on the Traffic Commission.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K.  
Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

AWARD A CONTRACT TO LOS ANGELES ENGINEERING, INC. FOR THE  
CONSTRUCTION OF PROJECT NO. 7281, BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN TRAIL ON THE  
ORANGE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (OCTA) RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM  
STANFORD AVENUE TO BROOKHURST STREET  
(F: 55-LOS ANGELES ENGINEERING, INC.) (XR: 33.3)

Following staff presentation and City Council discussion, with Council Member Brietigam expressing concern for the amount of money for this project and of future maintenance costs, as well as safety, it was moved by Mayor Jones, seconded by Council Member O'Neill that:

A contract be awarded to Los Angeles Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$1,904,198 for Project No. 7281 Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail Project in the Orange County Transportation Authority right-of-way (formerly Pacific Electric Railway) from Stanford Avenue to Brookhurst Street;

Additional appropriation be authorized from the fund balances from the following: \$400,000 from AQMD, Fund 225, and \$328,000 from Park Fees, fund 086; and

The City Manager be authorized to execute the agreement, and make minor modifications as appropriate thereto, on behalf of the City.

The motion carried by a 6-1 vote as follows:

Ayes: (6) O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K. Nguyen,  
Jones  
Noes: (1) Brietigam



INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANIMAL CONTROL AND VARIOUS FIRE DEPARTMENT RELATED PROVISIONS, INCLUDING FIREWORKS REGULATIONS (F: 50.2)

*(As approved earlier in the meeting, it was moved by Council Member K. Nguyen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein, and approved by a 7-0 vote, that full reading of ordinances listed be waived.)*

Following the City Clerk reading of the title, and introduction by City Attorney Sandoval, it was moved by Council Member O'Neill, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein that:

Ordinance No. 2911 entitled: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Garden Grove amending various provisions of the Municipal Code pertaining to animal control and services formerly performed by the Fire Department that are being transferred to other departments and to the Orange County Fire Authority, including revisions to Fireworks Regulations, be passed to second reading.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K. Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

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

DISCUSSION ON THE POTENTIAL FOR A COMMUNITY WORKFORCE AGREEMENT AS REQUESTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL (F: 46.1)

Assistant City Manager, Lisa Kim, provided an overview and PowerPoint presentation defining the Community Workforce Agreement, which pertains to local hiring of trade labor groups with an apprenticeship partnership. Included in the overview was the possible advantages and disadvantages of a workforce agreement, and a comparison with other cities.

Ms. Kim introduced Ernesto Medrano, representing the trade groups, who provided a PowerPoint presentation that overviewed the Community Workforce Agreement, noting that the agreement is a partnership for building projects that are large-scale as well as small-scale that ensures highly skilled and local workers trained through paid apprenticeship programs and who receive a living wage with benefits.

Council Member Bui asked what the impact is to non-union labor or small business.

Mr. Medrano responded that he has not heard any feedback. Some of their agreements are for smaller projects and many contractors use non-union labor.

Ms. Kim noted that staff would recommend a workforce threshold for projects at one million dollars.

Council Member Brietigam noted potential cost savings by contractors using apprentice labor. He commented that a workforce agreement keeps the money in the community by hiring local, and creates middle class jobs.

Council Member T. Nguyen expressed support for a community workforce agreement because she believes in hiring local.

Council Member K. Nguyen expressed support for a community workforce agreement and commented on the importance to provide opportunities to people for work that offers a way to afford to live in the city and a better quality of work life balance.

Council Member Brietigam questioned how establishing a million dollar threshold is beneficial.

Ms. Kim responded that the focus is on the Public Works capital improvement projects, and 80 percent of public funded project have been in excess of a million dollars and that by establishing a threshold, smaller contractors would be able to bid on projects. She noted her recommendation would be to enter into a three-year agreement, allowing time to gather performance metrics.

Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein expressed support and appreciation for those working in the trades, as well as providing an opportunity for local people to enter into an apprenticeship program to learn skills that provide well-paying jobs.

Council Member Bui expressed his support and commented that this will be a tremendous benefit for the community and the city. He stated that establishing a workforce agreement as a model program could potentially expand into other types of projects.

Council Member O'Neill expressed excitement for bringing a Community Workforce Agreement to Garden Grove, commenting on his experience entering the trades after high school graduation, and learning skills as an electrician. He thanked Congressman Lou Correa's office and Assembly Member Tom Daly's office for coming to the meeting in support of an agreement, and he thanked Assembly Member Tyler Diep for providing a letter of support.

Council Member O'Neill moved, seconded by Council Member K. Nguyen that:

Staff be directed to enter into negotiations with the Orange County/Los Angeles County Building Trades and work on a draft agreement; and

That a Community Workforce Agreement, with a threshold of \$500,000, be brought back for action either in December 2019 or January 2020.

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

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O'Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K.  
                    Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

MATTERS FROM THE MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, AND CITY MANAGER  
(continued)

DISCUSSION ON ESTABLISHING A TWO-PERSON CIVILIAN PARKING  
ENFORCEMENT UNIT, AS REQUESTED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BRIETIGAM (F: 46.1)

Council Member Brietigam stated that the most complaints he receives from the community is about parking issues, and that while the Garden Grove Police Officers are doing a great job, parking enforcement is not a priority. He noted that the City did have a civilian parking patrol that was disbanded in the 1980's, and he would like to have it reestablished and recommended a two person civilian parking enforcement detail. He noted that an advantage of a proactive parking enforcement detail would be the reporting of issues, such as faded curbs or code enforcement violations.

Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein agreed that this has merit and that she would like to see details as to how the program would be managed, and under what department, with the possibility of parking enforcement having more than one role.

Council Member Bui noted that he too has received a lot of complaints about parking issues, as well as code enforcement violations that do not get resolved; therefore, he supports adding a parking enforcement team.

Council Member O'Neill agreed that he would like to look into budgeting for parking enforcement, and noted the numerous people from neighboring cities and unincorporated areas of the county taking advantage of Garden Grove's lack of enforcement.

Mayor Jones noted that the City is currently in a better position financially, and expressed the need to get back to the basics of operating the City. He suggested that this matter be discussed at the council retreat in early 2020, giving time to develop a framework for addressing the issues such as parking, short-term rentals, and homelessness.

Mayor Pro Tem Klopfenstein agreed that this is a topic that needs to be explored and discussed at the retreat, and she noted that she requested Community and Economic Development provide a code enforcement update in January.

Council Member Brietigam expressed his frustration with not being able to have more substantive discussion and input at last year's retreat, and that the focus was on the City's budget. He commented that parking enforcement needs to begin now, and noted that, traditionally, parking enforcement provides more than enough revenue to cover the cost of salaries. He stated his motion is to deal with this now and for staff to come back to the next meeting with a plan.

City Manager Stiles noted that he would like to have some time to discuss this with all appropriate departments to gather information on cost, placement, job descriptions, skills needed, time necessary for a recruitment, and any needed training. He stated that the council retreat is an important opportunity for the City management to provide a comprehensive financial update, and that last year's retreat was in anticipation of the upcoming two-year budget, and critical budgetary matters that needed to be presented. He also noted that the retreat is when the City Council receives the annual revenue forecast, which is a significant component for future budgetary planning. However, as the two-year budget was approved in June 2019, the financial review can be scaled back to allow more time for discussion at the 2020 retreat.

Council Member Brietigam stated that he would like the opportunity to spend more time on discussion at the retreat, and that his motion is to move forward with a parking enforcement detail.

Council Member Bui agreed and stated that it is not necessary to wait until the retreat on this matter; however, time needs to be provided for City Manager Stiles to meet with the other department heads to evaluate a parking enforcement detail and to come back to the City Council with the findings. He stated that he has attended the retreat every year for the past seven years, and while the finance update is important, there is not enough time for discussion. He suggested the retreat be extended for more than one day.

Council Member O'Neill seconded Council Member Brietigam's motion, stating that parking enforcement is needed now and should be a staff of four to address the issues in a city the size of Garden Grove.

Council Member K. Nguyen stated that this subject is one that she has brought up with staff, and multiple residents from her district have come to the City Council meetings on traffic and parking issues. She noted that a parking enforcement detail should be proactive and assist in other areas, such as submitting work orders for curbs and other code issues. She has also asked staff to be creative in terms of increasing park patrol duties with constant monitoring of City parks. She agreed with the critique of the council retreat and suggested reformatting the structure of the financial overview to allow for more Council discussion and sharing of ideas.

Mayor Jones expressed support for a parking detail; however, this is a separate issue from park patrol.

Following further discussion, Mayor Jones indicated the need for a “heat map” to identify sections with concentrated parking issues.

Council Member Brietigam commented that a parking enforcement unit will learn where the issues are on the job as well, and two people should be enough. He repeated his motion for staff to come back with a plan for establishing a two person parking enforcement detail, seconded by Council Member O’Neill. The motion carried by a 7-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (7) Brietigam, O’Neill, Bui, T. Nguyen, Klopfenstein, K.  
Nguyen, Jones  
Noes: (0) None

MATTERS FROM THE MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, AND CITY MANAGER  
(continued)

Council Member Brietigam commented on Garden Grove’s first Salute to Veterans event on Veterans Day held in front of Fire Station 81, and expressed his sincere appreciation to Congressman Lou Corea and Congressman Alan Lowenthal for co-sponsoring the event, and Senator Tom Umberg for attending. He announced that he and School Board Member Terri Roco are putting on a Run, Hide, Fight class at Edgar Elementary School on November 23, 2019, for people wanting to learn how to extricate themselves in an active shooter situation. Edgar School is located at 6202 Cerulean Avenue in District 1, and there will be capacity for 200 attendees. He asked that there be a meeting called for the Administrative Board of Appeals for an orientation, as well as a meeting at least once a year to select a chair and vice chair.

Council Member O’Neill thanked Craig Durfey for all of the information he provides to the City Council.

Council Member T. Nguyen reported on her trip with City Manager Stiles to Garden Grove’s Sister City Anyang, Korea. They met with Anyang’s Mayor and Council to learn about the Korean culture and history, which enhances her ability to communicate with Garden Grove’s own Korean Business District. She noted they toured Anyang’s Art in the Park where the world’s largest air purifier is exhibited. She further noted that Anyang’s Mayor and Council are looking forward to meeting with Garden Grove’s council members in the spring. She thanked the Public Works Department Director, Bill Murray, for the fast response filling potholes in District 3, and she encouraged her constituents to contact the City or her for issues that need to be addressed, and not to rely on posting on facebook. She wished Council Member O’Neill a Happy Birthday.

Council Member K. Nguyen thanked the USC Shoah Foundation, the Garden Grove Unified School District, and the City’s Facilities Division for collaborating and holding a dialogue forum to counter hate, promote empathy and understanding, and foster

inclusivity. The event was held on Wednesday, November 6, 2019, at the Community Meeting Center and was open to the public. There were about 40 people who attended the forum that included high school students, sharing their experiences. She thanked Congressman Lowenthal and Congressman Correa and staff for collaborating on the Veterans Day flag raising event and Vietnam War Veteran Day pinning. She also thanked City staff from the Facilities Division and Garden Grove Police Chaplain, Pastor James Scheller, for working with her and making this event come together quickly.

Council Member Bui stated his understanding was that the contract with OCFA stipulated that all Garden Grove firefighters would be employed, and requested staff find out about a former Garden Grove Firefighter who was not employed by OCFA.

Mayor Jones announced "Meet on the Beach" coming up on Sunday, November 17, 2019. Tom Tait, former Mayor of Anaheim, came up with this event that was designed to coalesce the cities along Beach Boulevard. He noted that he introduced the idea of an open streets event to be incorporated and contacted CARS founder, Aaron Paley, to develop this event that ultimately was scaled back to accommodate the needs of each city along Beach Boulevard. Garden Grove's section for the Meet on Beach event will be a Pop-up at Wakeham Elementary on Chapman Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and additional information can be found at [Meetonbeach.com](http://Meetonbeach.com)

#### RECONVENE CLOSED SESSION

At 10:20 p.m., Mayor Jones reconvened Closed Session in the Founders Room with all Council Members present.

#### RECESS CLOSED SESSION

At 12:10 a.m., Mayor Jones recessed Closed Session in the Founders Room.

#### RECONVENE MEETING

At 12:11 a.m., Mayor Jones reconvened the regular meeting in the Founders Room with all Council Members present. He announced that the City Council voted unanimously for staff to prepare a lease agreement with North County Senior Services LLC, Alzheimer's Orange County for the property located at 11391 Acacia Parkway; and that there is no reportable action taken on the existing litigation between OCCORD v. Garden Grove, et al., OCSC Case No. 30-2019-01102770.

## ADJOURNMENT

At 12:12 a.m., Mayor Jones adjourned the meeting to Tuesday, November 19, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., at the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, California.

Teresa Pomeroy, CMC  
City Clerk