

**MINUTES OF THE
LOMITA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2022**

PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-08-21 ISSUED BY GOVERNOR NEWSOM AND AB361, THE PUBLIC AND COUNCIL PARTICIPATED IN THIS MEETING IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM.

1. OPENING CEREMONIES

a. Call Meeting to Order

The regular meeting of the Lomita City Council was called to order by Mayor Segawa at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, in the Council Chambers at Lomita City Hall, 24300 Narbonne Avenue, Lomita, California.

b. Flag Salute

Mayor Pro Tem Waite led the salute to the flag.

c. Invocation

Council Member Waronek gave the invocation.

d. Roll Call

PRESENT: Council Members Gazeley, Uphoff and Waronek, Mayor Pro Tem Waite, and Mayor Segawa were present in the Council Chambers

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Smoot, Assistant City Manager Sugano, Assistant City Attorney King, Community and Economic Development Director Rindge, and Administrative Services Director Kamada were present in Council Chambers; Public Works Director Dillon, Management Analyst Vida, and Deputy City Clerk Abbott participated via Zoom

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council Member Uphoff made a motion, seconded by Council Member Gazeley to approve the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members: Gazeley, Uphoff, Waronek, Mayor Pro Tem Waite, and Mayor Segawa

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

3. PRESENTATIONS

Former Torrance Mayor Pat Furey, Guest Officiant, administered the Oaths of Office to newly reappointed Council Members Gazeley, Segawa, and Waronek.

Council Member Waronek recognized his fellow Council Members for always showing respect to each other and for wanting the best for Lomita. He added that he looks forward to a fun year with Council Member Waite as Mayor, and he thanked his family, friends, and the community for their support.

Mayor Segawa recognized City staff for their support to the Council.

Council Member Waronek also recognized City Manager Smoot, the City Attorney's Office, and the Lomita Chamber of Commerce. He stated he is looking forward to his next four years on the Council.

Mayor Segawa thanked her family and friends for their support.

Mayor Pro Tem Waite recognized Mayor Segawa's year as Mayor, specifically her calm demeanor and great attitude. He presented her with a commemorative plaque.

4. APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO TEM

Mayor Segawa called for nominations for Mayor. Council Member Gazeley nominated Mayor Pro Tem Waite, and Council Member Waronek seconded the nomination. As there were no additional nominations, Mayor Segawa closed the nominations and asked for a roll call vote.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members: Gazeley, Uphoff, Waronek, Mayor Pro Tem Waite, and
Mayor Segawa
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Council Member Segawa presented Mayor Waite with monogrammed shirts with the Lomita logo.

Mayor Waite called for nominations for Mayor Pro Tem. Council Member Waronek nominated Council Member Uphoff, and Council Member Gazeley seconded the nomination. As there were no additional nominations, Mayor Waite closed the nominations and asked for a roll call vote.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members: Gazeley, Segawa, Uphoff, Waronek, and Mayor Waite
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Mayor Waite presented flowers to Council Member Segawa and Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff presented flowers to his wife.

Mayor Waite stated that Lomita is in solid financial shape, its roads are improved, pensions are adequately funded, and many City employees were recently more competitively compensated after a comparison study was performed. He thanked his family for their support.

Council Member Waronek congratulated Mayor Waite and stated that he is very proud of him.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Waite announced the time for oral communications. There being no requests from the public to speak, Mayor Waite closed oral communications.

6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Gazeley had nothing to report.

Council Member Waronek reported on the following:

- November 6 – Lomita-Harbor City Kiwanis Club Pancake Breakfast
- December 6 – Assembly Members Swearing-In Ceremony in Sacramento
- Recent Event Recognizing Lindsay Horvath for Election to County Supervisor

Council Member Segawa had nothing to report.

Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff reported on the following:

- December 2 – City Holiday Tree Lighting Event
- December 6 – South Bay Cities Council of Governments Senior Services Working Group

Mayor Waite reported on the following:

- December 2 – City Holiday Tree Lighting Event

7. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Smoot had nothing to report.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That Consent Agenda Items 8a-e be approved.

Council Member Segawa made a motion, seconded by Council Member Waronek to approve the recommended action.