

**MINUTES OF THE
LOMITA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2023**

1. OPENING CEREMONIES

a. Call Meeting to Order

The regular meeting of the Lomita City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, in the Council Chambers at Lomita City Hall, 24300 Narbonne Avenue, Lomita, California.

b. Flag Salute

Council Member Segawa led the salute to the flag.

c. Invocation

Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff gave the invocation.

d. Roll Call

PRESENT: Council Members: Gazeley, Segawa, and Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff

ABSENT: Council Member Waronek and Mayor Waite

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Smoot, City Attorney Rusin, Assistant City Manager Sugano, Public Works Director Dillon, Community and Economic Development Director Rindge, Administrative Services Director Kamada, Administrative Analyst Ibarra, Senior Management Analyst Hernandez, and City Clerk Gregory

e. Closed Session Report

City Attorney Rusin stated that the Council met in open session at 5:30 p.m. and recessed to closed session to discuss the following item:

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNCIL - EXISTING LITIGATION
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(D)(1)**

The City finds, based on advice from legal counsel, that discussion in open session will prejudice the position of the City in the litigation.

Name of Case: Original Thai Massage. v. The City of Lomita *et al.* United States District Court, Case Number: 2:23-cv-06884-DMG-AS

Council Members Gazeley, Segawa and Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff were present and there was no reportable action taken.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Waronek and Mayor Waite

3. PRESENTATIONS

None scheduled.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff announced the time for public comments on consent agenda items or subjects other than those scheduled.

Olive Long, Lomita resident, provided a written comment regarding the Metro C line extension. Council was provided a copy and copies were made available to the public.

George Kivett noted the absence of the GPAC members. He suggested a courtesy phone call to the members prior to the meeting as reminder. He also voiced his concerns with electric bikes riding on the sidewalks in the city.

There being no further requests to speak, Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff closed oral communications.

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

Council Member Gazeley reported on the following:

- Joint Policy Committee Meeting
- SCAG Regional Council Meeting
- LA West Vector Control Meeting

Council Member Segawa reported on the following:

- Circle of Honor Subcommittee Meeting
- Founder's Day Subcommittee Meeting

Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff reported on the following:

- Circle of Honor Subcommittee Meeting
- September 8-10 - Contract Cities Fall Seminar
- SBCOG Homeless Taskforce Meeting
- September 11 - COG Transportation Committee Meeting

6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT (information only)

City Manager Smoot introduced the new parking enforcement supervisor John Campos.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That Consent Agenda Items 7a-k be approved.

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

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Waronek and Mayor Waite

Approved the following Consent Agenda items:

- a. Motion to Waive Full Reading of Ordinances and that They be Read in Title Only

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve motion.

- b. Warrants/Payroll Register

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve and file Warrants/Payroll Register.

- c. Monthly Report for the Administrative Services Department

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file the report.

- d. Monthly Report for the City Manager's Department

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file the report.

- e. Monthly Report for the Community and Economic Development Department

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file the report.

- f. Monthly Report for the Recreation and Facilities Division

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file the report.

- g. Monthly Report for the Public Works Department

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file the report.

- h. August 2023 Treasury & Investment Report