

**MINUTES OF THE  
LOMITA CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2023**

**1. OPENING CEREMONIES**

a. Call Meeting to Order

The regular meeting of the Lomita City Council was called to order by Mayor Waite at 6:05 p.m. on Tuesday, November 21, 2023, in the Council Chambers at Lomita City Hall, 24300 Narbonne Avenue, Lomita, California.

b. Flag Salute

Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff led the salute to the flag.

c. Invocation

Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff gave the invocation.

d. Roll Call

**PRESENT:** Council Members: Segawa, Waronek, Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff, and Mayor Waite

The agenda was posted and a quorum of the Council Participated from within the jurisdiction. Council Member Waronek attended the meeting via teleconference at the following location: The Westin St. Francis San Francisco on Union Square, 335 Powell Street, San Francisco, California, USA, 94102

**ABSENT:** Council Member Gazeley

**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 5:02 p.m. and recessed to closed session to discuss the following items:

- a. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT  
PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957**  
Titles: Interim City Manager and City Manager

**b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(D)(1)**

City of Camden, et al., v. E.I.DuPont de Nemours and Company, et al.,  
No. 2:23-cv-03230RMG  
City of Lomita v. 3M Company, et al., No. 2:23-cv-02162RMG

Council Member Segawa, Council Member Waronek, Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff and Mayor Waite were present and there was no reportable action taken on Item No. 3a.

Council approved a class action settlement with 3M Company and DuPont by the following vote:

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

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Council Member Segawa made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff to approve the agenda.

**MOTION CARRIED** by the following vote:

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

**3. PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Waite presented Karen Kanda with a certificate of recognition for receiving the Silver Sustainability Leader Award as a volunteer with the South Bay Cities Council of Governments.

**4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

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

Margaret Estrada, Lomita resident, thanked City Manager Smoot for the work he has done for the City and presented him with an Oscar trophy.

There being no further requests to speak, Mayor Waite closed oral communications.

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

Council Member Waronek reported on the following:

- Thanked everyone for the support and attendance at the annual Kiwanis breakfast
- November 15 – California Contract Cities Board Meeting at Southern California Edison
- November 16 – City of Lomita Annual State of the City
- Announced upcoming events – December 1, Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast; December 1, Lomita Tree Lighting; South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce – December 15, Installation lunch; Lomita Chamber Mixer at Board and Brush

Council Member Segawa reported on the following:

- November 8 – STEAM presentation at Lomita Magnet
- November 11 – Veterans Day Event
- November 16 – City of Lomita Annual State of the City

Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff reported on the following:

- November 11 – Veterans Day Event
- November 16 – City of Lomita Annual State of the City

Mayor Waite reported on the following:

- November 9 – South Bay Workforce Investment Board Dinner and Awards
- November 16 – City of Lomita Annual State of the City
- November 11 - Veterans Day Event
- November 16 – South Bay Cities Council of Governments Board Meeting
- November 16 – Southern California Association of Governments Meeting

## 6. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT (information only)

City Manager Smoot had nothing to report.

## 7. CONSENT AGENDA

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

Council Member Segawa made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Uphoff to approve the recommended action.

**MOTION CARRIED** by the following vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Gazeley

**Approved the following Consent Agenda items:**

Lomita City Council Regular Meeting Minutes  
November 21, 2023

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

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve motion.

- b. Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of January 26, 2023, Special City Council Meeting of May 11, 2023, and Regular and Special City Council Meetings of October 17, 2023

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve minutes.

- c. Warrants/Payroll Register

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve and file Warrants/Payroll Register.

- d. Monthly Report for the Administrative Services Department

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Receive and file the report.

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

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Receive and file the report.

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

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Receive and file the report.

- g. Monthly Report for the Recreation and Facilities Division

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Receive and file the report.

- h. Monthly Report for the Public Works Department

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Receive and file the report.

- i. October 2023 Treasury & Investment Report

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Receive and file the report.

- j. Resolution Authorizing the Destruction of Obsolete Records

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Adopt Resolution.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-29 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOMITA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN CITY RECORDS AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 34090 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**