

**PARAMOUNT CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 8, 2019**

City of Paramount, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Paramount City Council was called to order by Mayor Diane J. Martinez at 6:03 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Daryl Hofmeyer.

**INVOCATION:** The invocation was delivered by Pastor Zachary Brooks, Church of God of Prophecy.

**ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS:** Present: Councilmember Laurie Guillen  
Councilmember Daryl Hofmeyer  
Councilmember Peggy Lemons  
Vice Mayor Tom Hansen  
Mayor Diane J. Martinez

**STAFF PRESENT:** John Moreno, City Manager  
John E. Cavanaugh, City Attorney  
Kevin Chun, Assistant City Manager  
Adriana Figueroa, Public Works Director  
David Johnson, Com. Serv. & Recreation Director  
Karina Liu, Finance Director  
Adriana Lopez, Public Safety Director  
Clyde Alexander, Assistant Finance Director  
Chris Callard, Public Information Officer  
Lana Chikami, City Clerk  
Steve Coumparoules, Management Analyst  
Jaime De Guzman, Senior Accountant  
Danny Elizarraras, Management Analyst  
Magda Garcia, Senior Com. Serv. & Rec. Supervisor  
Yecenia Guillen, Asst. Com. Serv. & Rec. Director  
Margarita Gutierrez, Finance Supervisor  
Sarah Ho, Assistant Public Works Director  
John King, Planning Manager  
Wendy Macias, Public Works Manager  
Anthony Martinez, Crime Analyst  
Daniel Martinez, IT Technician  
Jonathan Masannat, Interim HR Mgr./Mgmt. Analyst  
Margarita Matson, Assistant Public Safety Director  
Marlene Vargas, Com. Serv. & Rec. Supervisor

City Manager Moreno introduced new School Resource Deputy Cesar Quiroz.

### **CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT UPDATES**

There were none.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

CF 10.3

Ms. Andrea Crow (Paramount Library) addressed the City Council.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
December 11, 2018

It was moved by Councilmember Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Lemons to approve the Paramount City Council minutes of December 11, 2018. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hofmeyer, Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and Mayor Martinez  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

2. Register of Demands  
CF 47.2

It was moved by Councilmember Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Lemons to approve the Paramount City Council Register of Demands. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hofmeyer, Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and Mayor Martinez  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

3. ACCEPTANCE OF WORK  
Neighborhood Street Resurfacing  
(City Project No. 9831)

It was moved by Councilmember Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Lemons to accept the work performed by Sequel Contractors, Inc., Santa Fe Springs, California, for the neighborhood street resurfacing for FY 18 and authorize payment of the remaining retention. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hofmeyer, Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and Mayor Martinez  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

4. ORDINANCE NO. 1111 (Setting a Public Hearing) Amending Sections 29-1 and 29-1.1 of the Paramount Municipal Code Regarding Incorporation of the County Traffic Code CF 98.1
- It was moved by Councilmember Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Lemons to read by title only, waive further reading, and set a public hearing for Ordinance No. 1111, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT AMENDING SECTIONS 29-1 AND 29-1.1 OF THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING INCORPORATION OF THE COUNTY TRAFFIC CODE," for the next regular meeting on February 5, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hofmeyer, Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and Mayor Martinez  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

5. ORDINANCE NO. 1112 (Setting a Public Hearing) Amending Sections 24-1 and 24-6 of the Paramount Municipal Code Regarding Incorporation of the County Health and Safety Code CF 61.23
- It was moved by Councilmember Hofmeyer and seconded by Councilmember Lemons to read by title only, waive further reading, and set a public hearing for Ordinance No. 1112, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT AMENDING SECTIONS 24-1 AND 24-6 OF THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING INCORPORATION OF THE COUNTY HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE," for the next regular meeting on February 5, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hofmeyer, Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and Mayor Martinez  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

6. Annual Review of City Council Permit for Live
- Public Safety Director Lopez gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

Entertainment of Mariscos Mi Lindo Sinaloa Restaurant, 7610 Rosecrans Avenue CF 75.4

It was moved by Councilmember Hofmeyer and seconded by Vice Mayor Hansen to receive and file the report with the stipulation that City staff conduct an annual review of Mariscos Mi Lindo Sinaloa Restaurant Live Entertainment Permit. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hofmeyer, Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and Mayor Martinez

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

7. ORAL REPORT  
(continued from December 11, 2018 meeting)  
Classification Study Update  
CF 76.1

Ms. Jennifer Ramos, CPS HR Consulting, gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

There was discussion regarding “flexible” staffing; STAR, Senior Building and Safety, and Maintenance Worker positions; special certification, pay and compensation; and union representation. A request was made to provide City Council with a copy of the Position Salary and Compensation Table, and City Council was also informed that the study should be finalized by January 23, 2019 and a report presented to them at their February 5, 2019 meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

8. PUBLIC HEARING  
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Funding for Fiscal Year 2018-2019  
CF 54.50

Public Safety Director Lopez gave the report.

Mayor Martinez opened the public hearing. There being no one in the audience wishing to testify, it was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Vice Mayor Hansen to close the public hearing. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hofmeyer, Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and Mayor Martinez

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Vice Mayor Hansen to authorize the use of the grant funds to pay for the programs specified in this report. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hofmeyer, Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and Mayor Martinez

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

9. AWARD OF CONTRACT  
Hardscape Concrete Maintenance for Fiscal Year 2019  
CF 91

Public Works Director Figueroa gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

Following the report, there was discussion regarding prevailing wages.

It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Hofmeyer to award the contract for hardscape concrete maintenance for FY 2019 to CJ Concrete Construction Inc., Santa Fe Springs, California in the amount of \$150,000, and authorize the Mayor or her designee to execute the agreement. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hofmeyer, Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and Mayor Martinez

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

10. ORAL REPORT  
Citizen Satisfaction Sheriff's Service and Public Safety Quality Assurance Follow-up  
CF 79

Public Safety Director Lopez gave the report.

A brief discussion followed and Councilmembers expressed that they were pleased with staff and law enforcement.

It was moved by Councilmember Hofmeyer and seconded by Vice Mayor Hansen to receive and file the report. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hofmeyer, Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and Mayor Martinez

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

11. Amended Agreement  
YMCA's Use of City  
Facilities for Youth  
Programming  
CF 43.1075

Recreation Director Johnson gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Councilmember Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Hofmeyer to authorize the City Manager or his designee to amend the existing agreement with the YMCA to provide use of City facilities for recreation swim services. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hofmeyer,  
Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and  
Mayor Martinez

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

12. Development Activity  
Update  
CF 106

Assistant City Manager Chun gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hansen and seconded by Hofmeyer to receive and file this report. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Guillen, Hofmeyer,  
Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and  
Mayor Martinez

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

## **COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Councilmembers**

Vice Mayor Hansen commented on his attendance at Casa Adelita's blanket event and provided a brief update on the West Nile Virus.

### **Staff**

City Manager Moreno reported on the successful Clutter-Free Paramount event and expressed appreciation to the volunteers.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor Martinez recessed the meeting at 7:12 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 7:20 p.m. to discuss the

following:

Evaluation of Public Employee – City Manager  
(pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)

City Attorney Cavanaugh announced that the City Council voted 4-0 to: 1) give the City Manager a 5% Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA), 2) increase severance pay from 9 months to 12 months, and 3) revise minor language in the City Manager’s contract. He also stated that an amended City Manager agreement will be presented to the City Council for approval at their next meeting.

AYES: Councilmembers Hofmeyer and  
Lemons; Vice Mayor Hansen; and  
Mayor Martinez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Guillen

ABSTAIN: None

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Martinez adjourned the meeting at 7:43 p.m., in memory of Ms. Theresa Ojinana, to a meeting on January 22, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

/s/ Diane J. Martinez

Diane J. Martinez, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Lana Chikami

Lana Chikami, City Clerk