

IRWINDALE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5050 N. IRWINDALE AVENUE
IRWINDALE, CALIFORNIA 91706

JANUARY 13, 2021
WEDNESDAY
5:30 P.M.

The Irwindale CITY COUNCIL met in regular session at the above time and place.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Albert F. Ambriz, Mark A. Breceda,
Manuel R. Garcia; Mayor Pro Tem Larry G. Burrola;
Mayor H. Manuel Ortiz

Present: William Tam, City Manager; Theresa Olivares, Assistant City
Manager; Adrian Guerra, City Attorney; Ty Henshaw, Police Chief;
Arsanious Hanna, City Engineer; Eva Carreon, Director of Finance;
Marilyn Simpson, Community Development Manager; Mary Hull,
Human Resources Manager; Elizabeth Rodriguez, Public Works
Services Manager; Jeanette Duran, Finance Manager; Jeff Wagner,
Information Technology Manager; and Laura Nieto, Chief Deputy City
Clerk

**RECESS TO
CLOSED SESSION**

At 5:30 p.m., the City Council recessed to Closed Session to
discuss the following:

Public Employee Performance Evaluation

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957

Title: City Manager

ACTION: Discussed; no reportable action taken

Conference with Real Property Negotiators

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: APN 8417-034-912

Agency Negotiators: William Tam (City Manager), Marilyn
Simpson (Community Development
Manager/City Planner), and Adrian
Guerra (City Attorney)

Negotiating Parties: Haggai Mazler, Director of Land Acquisition, on
behalf of KB Home

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

ACTION: Information provided; no action taken

Liability Claims (Worker's Compensation)

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.95

Claimant: Mario Camacho

Agency claimed against: City of Irwindale

ACTION: Information provided; no action taken

**RECONVENE IN
OPEN SESSION**

At 6:35 p.m., the City Council reconvened in Open Session.

**CHANGES TO THE
AGENDA**

No changes.

**COUNCILMEMBER
TRAVEL REPORTS**

None.

**COUNCILMEMBER
COMMENTS**

None.

**INTRODUCTION OF
NEW EMPLOYEES /
PROMOTIONS**

None.

**PROCLAMATIONS /
PRESENTATIONS /
COMMENDATIONS**

PLAQUE
PRESENTATION TO
ITAC MEMBERS

PLAQUE PRESENTATION TO IRWINDALE TECHNICAL
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS JOCK M. SCOTT, PE; KENT
MCMILLAN, PH.D. CEG, CHG; DONALD P. CODUTO, PE, GE;
BRIAN D. CONSTANT, PE, GE; AND LINDA OSDALE

MAYOR ORTIZ

Mayor Ortiz provided background information on the Irwindale
Technical Advisory Committee ("ITAC") members and presented the
plaque.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

The Councilmembers each acknowledged the many achievements
made by the ITAC and thanked the members for their hard work.

CITY ENGINEER HANNA

City Engineer Hanna thanked the Council for recognizing the ITAC
and expressed his appreciation for all their efforts.

CITY MANAGER TAM

City Manager Tam reflected on his collaboration with the ITAC and
expressed his admiration of the members.

PRESENTATION OF
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APPOINTMENT TO
PARKS & RECREATION
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The presentation was made.

**SPONTANEOUS
COMMUNICATIONS**

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda requested an easy-to-understand budget for the
Recreation Department, requested that the Recreation Department

be audited, and stated that the removal of the cross from the City logo, which she alleges has been removed from the City's social media posts, is offensive to her as a Christian.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION

A motion was made by Councilmember Breceda, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Burrola, to approve the Consent Calendar; reading ordinances by title only and waiving further reading thereof. The motion was unanimously approved.

ITEM NO. 1A
MINUTES

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The following minutes were approved:

- 1) Regular meeting held December 9, 2020

ITEM NO. 1B
WARRANTS /
DEMANDS /
PAYROLL

WARRANTS / DEMANDS / PAYROLL

The warrants / demands / payroll were approved.

ITEM NO. 1C
2ND READING OF
ORDINANCE NO. 754
PERTAINING TO
AMENDMENT OF THE
RECLAMATION FUND
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ORDINANCE NO. 754
ADOPTED ON
SECOND READING

Ordinance No. 754, entitled:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE APPROVING THE AMENDMENT OF SECTION 17.60.150 OF CHAPTER 17.60 OF TITLE 17 OF THE IRWINDALE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO THE RECLAMATION FUND CAP AND THE REQUIRED ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS," was adopted.

ITEM NO. 1D
ACCEPTANCE AND
APPROPRIATION OF
HIGH-SPEED
BROADBAND IN
CA LIBRARIES GRANT
YEAR 6

ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF HIGH-SPEED
BROADBAND IN CALIFORNIA LIBRARIES GRANT YEAR 6 IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$8,979.77 FOR NETWORK FIREWALL AND
WIRELESS ACCESS POINT EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION NO.
2021-03-3265

Resolution No. 2021-03-3265, entitled:

ADOPTED "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF THE HIGH-SPEED BROADBAND IN CALIFORNIA LIBRARIES GRANT – YEAR 6 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,979.77 FOR NETWORK FIREWALL AND WIRELESS ACCESS POINT EQUIPMENT," was adopted.

ITEM NO. 1E DECLARATION OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT
DECLARATION OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT The declaration of surplus equipment was received and filed.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM NO. 2A RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY REGARDING COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND RATIFYING CERTAIN ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED BY THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES / CITY MANAGER
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HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER HULL Human Resources Manager Hull presented the staff report.

DENA ZEPEDA Dena Zepeda stated her opposition of front-line workers receiving the COVID-19 vaccine, and asked if the vaccine will be made available to Irwindale residents, to which Manager Hull advised that Irwindale will receive the same level of services from the County of Los Angeles as other cities with regard to the vaccine.

COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA Councilmember Garcia asked where Irwindale first responders receive their vaccines, to which Manager Hull advised that they are being administered at Kaiser and Pomona Valley Hospital.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-02-3264
ADOPTED **Resolution No. 2021-02-3264**, entitled:
"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE, CALIFORNIA, EXTENDING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC WITHIN THE CITY OF IRWINDALE PURSUANT TO IRWINDALE

MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.44," was passed, approved, and adopted, on the motion of Councilmember Ambriz, seconded by Councilmember Breceda, and unanimously approved.

ITEM NO. 2B
APPOINTMENT OF A
SENIOR CITIZEN
COMMISSIONER

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CHIEF DEPUTY CITY
CLERK NIETO

Chief Deputy City Clerk Nieto presented the staff report.

COUNCILMEMBER
AMBRIZ

Councilmember Ambriz suggested that, in the interest of fairness and transparency, the vacancy be re-advertised in order to give residents another opportunity to apply.

COUNCILMEMBER
BRECEDA

Responding to a question by Councilmember Breceda, Chief Deputy City Clerk Nieto advised that one of the previous applicants for this vacancy did not meet the age requirement.

MOTION

A motion was made by Councilmember Ambriz to re-advertise the vacancy to city residents in order to give them another opportunity to apply.

COUNCILMEMBER
GARCIA

Councilmember Garcia stated that applications from qualified applicants have already been received, and requested to make a nomination.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda concurred with Councilmember Garcia and questioned the need to postpone an appointment.

ROLL CALL

The above-mentioned motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Burrola and was adopted on roll call vote, with Councilmember Ambriz, Mayor Pro Tem Burrola, and Mayor Ortiz in favor; Councilmembers Breceda and Garcia opposed.

ITEM NO. 3C
RESOLUTION RE:
HOWITZER ANTI-TANK
GUN

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-17-3279 APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES ARMY FOR AND USE OF ITS HOWITZER ANTI-TANK GUN FOR A MONUMENT TO AMERICAN VETERANS TO BE ESTABLISHED AT 14988 LOS ANGELES STREET, IRWINDALE, CA 91706 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY AGREEMENTS THERETO, (2) APPROVING THE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH ALDERSON BUSINESS PARK OWNERS ASSOCIATION REGARDING THE HOWITZER ANTI-TANK GUN, AND (3) APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF CERTAIN EASEMENT RIGHTS OVER THE MONUMENT LOCATION FROM DEVELOPER FOR MAINTENANCE, INSPECTION, AND REMOVAL OF THE HOWITZER.

COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT
MANAGER SIMPSON

Community Development Manager Simpson presented the staff report, and noted several minor revisions to the draft resolution.

COUNCILMEMBER
BRECEDA

Councilmember Breceda stated that an Azusa City Councilmember expressed his belief that the anti-tank gun belongs to Azusa, to which City Manager Tam advised that the applicant has conducted the necessary research and has found that the gun belongs to the U.S. Army.

MAYOR ORTIZ

Mayor Ortiz asked about the agreement verbiage, to which Manager Simpson clarified that the US. Army is proposed to turn over the gun to the City, and that the maintenance agreement would turn responsibility of the gun to the applicant, while providing city staff access to it.

RESOLUTION NO.
2021-17-3279
ADOPTED

Resolution No. 2021-17-3279, entitled:

“APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES ARMY FOR AND USE OF ITS HOWITZER ANTI-TANK GUN FOR A MONUMENT TO AMERICAN VETERANS TO BE ESTABLISHED AT 14988 LOS ANGELES STREET, IRWINDALE, CA 91706, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY AGREEMENTS THERETO, (2) APPROVING THE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH ALDERSON BUSINESS PARK OWNERS ASSOCIATION REGARDING THE HOWITZER ANTI-TANK GUN, AND (3) APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF CERTAIN EASEMENT RIGHTS OVER THE MONUMENT LOCATION FROM DEVELOPER FOR MAINTENANCE, INSPECTION, AND REMOVAL OF THE HOWITZER,” was passed, approved, and adopted, reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof, on the motion of Councilmember Ambriz, seconded by Councilmember Breceda, and unanimously approved.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ITEM NO. 3A
PROPOSED USE
OF THE CDBG
ALLOCATION FOR
FY 2021-2022

PROPOSED USE OF THE CDBG ALLOCATION FOR FY 2021-2022

FINANCE MANAGER
DURAN

Finance Manager Duran presented the staff report.

OPEN
PUBLIC HEARING

At 7:30 p.m., Mayor Ortiz opened the public hearing.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda asked about budgeting for the Senior Center, to which Finance Manager Duran advised that a budget is set for the Senior

Center's nutrition program, where a portion would be covered by this item and the rest would be paid with General Fund monies.

CLOSE
PUBLIC HEARING

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Ortiz closed the public hearing at 7:32 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO.
2021-01-3263
ADOPTED

Resolution No. 2021-01-3263, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE APPROVING THE PROPOSED USE OF THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 LOS ANGELES URBAN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ALLOCATION," was passed, approved, and adopted, reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof, on the motion of Councilmember Breceda, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Burrola, and unanimously approved.

**CITY MANAGER'S
REPORT**

CITY MANAGER TAM

City Manager Tam reported that 205 Irwindale residents have contracted COVID-19 since the start of the pandemic, and urged everyone to follow public health guidance to try to avoid the virus.

**AGENDA ITEM
REQUESTS BY
COUNCILMEMBERS**

MOTION

A motion was made by Councilmember Ambriz to dedicate a park bench in memory of Rosie Guerrero.

COUNCILMEMBER
GARCIA

Councilmember Garcia requested that information regarding the naming of park benches be included in the same staff report.

ROLL CALL

The above-mentioned motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Burrola and was unanimously approved on roll call vote.

MAYOR ORTIZ

Mayor Ortiz requested that staff look into adding Joe Vela's name to the Veteran's Monument, as he has previously served as a Crossing Guard for the City for several years.

CITY MANAGER TAM

City Manager Tam indicated that staff would follow-up on the request.

MAYOR ORTIZ

Mayor Ortiz also asked whether the Irwindale Community Foundation would hold another food drive if sufficient funding is available, to which Councilmember Ambriz, who sits on the Board of the Foundation, stated that he would bring up the request for Board consideration at its next meeting.

MOTION

A motion was made by Councilmember Ambriz, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Burrola, to direct staff to research the feasibility of setting up the Swimming Pool Facility as its own department, separate from the Recreation Department. The motion was approved: Councilmember Ambriz, Mayor Pro Tem Burrola, and Mayor Ortiz in favor; Councilmembers Breceda and Garcia opposed.

**RECESS TO
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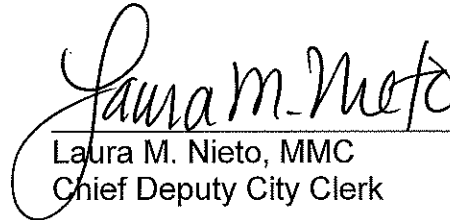
At 7:40 p.m., the Council recessed to Closed Session.

**RECONVENE IN
OPEN SESSION**

At 7:56 p.m., the Council reconvened in Open Session with all members present.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.



Laura M. Nieto, MMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk

Approved as submitted at the meeting held January 27, 2021.