

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

**Regular Meeting of the City of Bradbury City Council
Tuesday, July 18, 2023
Bradbury Civic Center**

CALL TO ORDER – The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Bradbury was called to order by Mayor Barakat 7:00pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Barakat, Mayor Pro Tem Hale, Councilmembers Bruny & Lathrop

ABSENT: Councilmember Lewis.

STAFF: City Manager Kearney, City Attorney Reisman & City Clerk Jensen.

City Manager Kearney asked that Councilmember Lewis be excused. Mayor Barakat made a motion to excuse Councilmember Lewis and Councilmember Lathrop seconded the motion which carried unanimously without any objections.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Councilmember Bruny made a motion to approve the agenda which was seconded by Councilmember Lathrop. The motion carried unanimously. It was the consensus of the Council to proceed.

DISCLOSURE OF ITEMS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 1090 & 81000 ET. SEQ. – *In compliance with the California Political Reform Act, each City Councilmembers has the responsibility to disclose direct or indirect potential for a personal financial impact as a result of participation in the decision-making process concerning agenda items.*

City Attorney Reisman stated that he was aware of no potential conflicts.

PUBLIC COMMENT ABOUT ANYTHING NOT ON THE AGENDA: - Mayor Barakat opened the meeting to public comments and a member of the public asked when Minutes are available to the public and whether or not "comments" were always added. City Manager Kearney explained we use Condensed Minutes which are typically available by the following city council meeting and that comments provided in writing are included in the Minutes.

Valerie Munos, Mayor Pro Tem for the City of La Puente and Director representing cities with non-pumping rights who presented general overview of water quality authority for participating cities.

ACTION ITEMS*

1. CONSENT CALENDAR APPROVAL

- a. Resolution No. 23-15: Demands & Warrants for July 18, 2023
- b. Monthly Investment Report for the month of June 2023
- c. Approval of a Second Amendment to Professional Services Agreement: Housing Element Update

It was moved to approve the Consent Calendar by Mayor Barakat with Councilmember Lathrop seconding that motion. Motion passed 4:0.

AYES: Mayor Barakat, Mayor Pro Tem Hale, Councilmembers Lathrop and Bruny.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Councilmembers Lewis.

2. AWARD OF BID – LEMON AVENUE TRAIL PROJECT

Dave Gilbertson, City Engineer, explained he has verbal approvals from 5 of the 8 owners concerning the indemnity language in the proposed easement agreement and will have two more this week. He received a letter from the attorney representing 1550 Lemon this morning and confident any issues will be resolved. Dave asked Council to approve the bid of \$181,597.10 from SDC Engineering and to authorize the City Manager to execute the project and begin construction around August.

Mayor Barakat opened the discussion to public comment. Two Lemon Avenue residents spoke:

- a. *Waleed Shindy of 1550 Lemon Avenue* – Presented an itemized letter to Council stating their requests prior to signing easement agreement. (attached)
- b. *Dan Hyde of 1462 Lemon Avenue* – Thanked the City and Staff for always listening to its residents and working with them.

Mayor Pro Tem Hale made a motion to approve the Project to SDC Engineering with their bid of \$181,597.10 and for the City Manager to execute the Project so construction can begin. Councilmember Bruny seconded the motion with carried unanimously.

3. PRESENTATION – CAL AMERICAN WATER

Presenting from Cal Am Water on PFOA, PFOS, PFHxS Notification Level Exceedance at Crownhaven Well were Brian Barreto, External Affairs Manager, Southern California; Mike Phillips, Water Quality Manager, Southern California and Evan Jacobs, Director of Communications and External Affairs.

Discussed the recent spike in higher-than-normal levels of PFOS (manufactured chemicals) found in the Crownhaven Well, which mixes with other well's water and makes up only 4% of Duarte's water system. Until an answer is found on WHY the Crownhaven Well had a spike in these manufactured chemicals, the Well will remain shut down. Cal Am has not tested other wells for similar spikes but plans to. Suggested using Brita Filter at home as it filters up to 66% PFOS.

4. MATTERS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- a) Reminded Council about Bradbury Night Out on July 27, 2023 from 6:00-8:00pm.
- b) Raised question of holding August Council meeting in light of councilmembers taking vacation and not having a quorum. Decided to keep meeting on calendar and only cancel if necessary.
- c) Special meeting on Housing Discussion on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 6:30pm.

5. MATTERS FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY *NONE*

6. MATTERS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Barakat *NONE*
California JPIA
League of California Cities
Duarte Education Foundation
Director of Bradbury Disaster Committee
Area "D" Office of Disaster Management

Mayor Pro Tem Hale *NONE*
Foothill Transit
LA County Sanitation Districts
San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG)
San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District

Councilmember Lathrop *NONE*

Councilmember Lewis *NONE*

Councilmember Bruny *NONE*
Duarte Community Education Council (CEC)

7. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

- a) Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Hale to discuss having a larger shed to use as a triage-type station for city residents in times of emergencies. Councilmember Bruny seconded the motion.
 - b) City Manager to meet with Finance Director and City Treasurer to talk about different investment strategies for the City's expiring Investment. Will come back to Council with suggestions discussed.
 - c) Councilmember Lathrop would like to discuss options to help slow down traffic on city streets through traffic enforcement.
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CLOSED SESSION

Per City Attorney Raisman, the Closed Session was cancelled.

ADJOURNMENT At 7:58pm, Mayor Barakat adjourned the Regular meeting to a Special Meeting at Bradbury Civic Center, 600 Winston Avenue, Bradbury, CA 91008 on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 6:30pm.

SIGNED BY:




MAYOR
City of Bradbury

08.15.2023

DATE

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK DIANE JENSEN
City of Bradbury

08.15.2023

DATE

Diane Jensen

From: niveen el guindi <niveenelguindi@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 6:47 PM
To: Diane Jensen; Kevin Kearney
Subject: Comment for city council

Hello,
I would like to request that this be submitted to the public record. For the city council meeting on July 18.
With regards to the lemon avenue trail, we generally approve of the project.
1- We would like the city to stake and mark the requested easement at the corner of Lemon and Winston.
2- We have received the new language of the indemnity, and agree with it.
3- Since our driveway apron is excluded from the planned project work, we would like our driveway apron to be included in the indemnity as long as it is built to the city approved plans.
4- We would like the city to indemnify us where they have requested easement from us at the corner and along Winston
5- We would like to ask the city to remove the prior grading requirement imposed, which calls for grading right up to the trunk of a mature oak, jeopardizing the roots and hence the tree.

Niveen Elguindi
1550 Lemon Ave resident