



AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, THE PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF AZUSA

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) ADVISORY

Due to the local State of Emergency resulting from the threat of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), Governor Newsom has issued Executive Order N-29-20 in which Section 3 supersedes Paragraph 11 of Executive Order N-25-20 (issued on March 12, 2020) addressing Brown Act regulations. This new order states that the City does not need to make a physical location available for members of the public to observe a public meeting and offer public comment. The Order allows the City to hold City Council/Board meetings via teleconferencing and allows for members of the public to observe and address the meeting telephonically or electronically.

To comply with the recent Health Orders issued by the Governor and Los Angeles County Health Department, the City Council meetings scheduled for Monday, April 5, 2021 at 6:30 & 7:30 p.m. are Closed to the Public. Those wishing to comment on items virtually on the closed session agenda 6:30 P.M. may do so by calling **(669) 900-6833** and when prompted entering the following meeting ID # **963 3204 0601** between 6:00 P.M - 6:30 P.M. Those wishing to make public comment virtually on the Regular City Council meeting agenda at 7:30 P.M. may do so by calling **(669) 900-6833** and when prompted entering the following meeting ID # **942 1944 4020** between 6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. No calls will be accepted after 7:30 P.M. Please note if you call in for Public Comment, you will be placed in a waiting room up until your turn to speak. **NOTE:** **You will not be able to hear the meeting live from the call but may access the meeting by clicking the link below or on your local cable access channel.** Members of the public may also submit written comment by emailing PublicComment@azusaca.gov by 5:30pm. Emailed public comments will be provided to the City Council and will be part of the record but will not be read aloud. (Email Comments shall be limited to no more than 250 words).

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AZUSA AUDITORIUM – CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC
213 EAST FOOTHILL BOULEVARD
AZUSA, CA 91702

MONDAY, APRIL 5, 2021
6:30 P.M. Closed Session
7:30 P.M. Regular Meeting

AZUSA CITY COUNCIL

ROBERT GONZALES
MAYOR

JESSE AVILA, JR.
MAYOR PRO-TEM

EDWARD J. ALVAREZ
COUNCILMEMBER

URIEL E. MACIAS
COUNCILMEMBER

ANDREW N. MENDEZ
COUNCILMEMBER

6:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call

CLOSED SESSION

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC FOR CLOSED SESSION

Prior to going into closed session the City Council will convene in the Auditorium serving as Council Chambers to take public comment on the closed session items only. General public comment will be provided for during the regular portion of the meeting beginning at 7:30 P.M.

1. **THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES – Pursuant to California Government Code, Section 54957.**
Consultation with: Sergio Gonzalez, City Manager and Mike Bertelsen, Chief of Police Azusa Police Department
2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – LIABILITY CLAIM - Pursuant to California Government Code, Section 54956.9 (d)(2)/(e)(3).**
Case Number/Claimant Name: Claim No. 2021-16, Erin Kay Coulter
Agency Claimed Against: City of Azusa
3. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS – Pursuant to California Government Code, Section 54957.6.**
Agency designated Representative: Talika M. Johnson, Director of Administrative Services and Manny Robledo, Director of Utilities
Employee Organization: IBEW

7:30 P.M. - REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY, THE PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC FOR REGULAR MEETING.

In compliance with Government Code Section 54957.5, copies of staff reports or other written documentation relating to each item of business referred to on the Agenda are on file in the Office of the City Clerk - 213 E. Foothill Blvd.; copies for public view are at the Azusa City Library - 729 N. Dalton Ave., Azusa Police Department Lobby - 725 N. Alameda Ave., and the City of Azusa Web Page www.azusaca.gov. Persons who wish to speak during the Public Participation portion of the Agenda or on a Public Hearing item, shall fill out a card requesting to speak and shall submit it to the City Clerk prior to 7:30 P.M.; cards submitted after this time will not be accepted.

A. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Flag Salute
4. Invocation – Pastor Rick MacDonald, Azusa House of Prayer
5. Closed Session Report by the City Attorney

CEREMONIAL

1. ADOPT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZUSA DENOUNCING HATE CRIMES AND RHETORIC AGAINST ASIAN AMERICANS AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS, AND REAFFIRMING OUR COMMITMENT TO ENSURE API AMERICANS FEEL SAFE AND WELCOME
2. Presentation of Proclamation proclaiming April 17, 2021 as Arbor Day in the City of Azusa.

B. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

*This time has been set aside for persons in the audience to make public comments on items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the council/agency board that **are not listed on this agenda or are listed on this agenda as an item other than a public hearing item.** Members of the audience will have the opportunity to address the City Council/Agency Board about public hearing items at the time the public hearing is held. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the Council/Agency Board is prohibited from taking action on oral requests, but may refer the matter to staff or to a subsequent meeting. The Council/Agency Board will respond after public comment has been received. Each person or representative of a group shall be allowed to speak without interruption for up to five (5) continuous minutes, subject to compliance with applicable meeting rules. Questions to the speaker or responses to the speaker's questions or comments shall be handled after the speaker has completed his/her comments. Public Participation will be limited to sixty (60) minutes.*

C. REPORTS, UPDATES, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM STAFF/COUNCIL

1. City Manager Communications.

D. SCHEDULED ITEMS

1. **INTRODUCE FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL SECTION 78-40 OF THE AZUSA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO THE RATE STABILIZATION RESERVE FOR STRANDED INVESTMENT AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO THE ELECTRIC FUND UNRESTRICTED RESERVE.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

- 1) Make a finding that events have overtaken the purpose of maintaining the Rate Stabilization Reserve Fund for Stranded Investment within the Electric Fund; and
- 2) Adopt Resolution No. 2021-C14, directing the Director of Administrative Services to transfer all monies from the Rate Stabilization Fund Reserve for Stranded Investment to the Electric Fund Unrestricted Reserve; and
- 3) Waive further reading, read by title only and introduce Ordinance No. 2021-02, repealing section 78-40 of the Azusa Municipal Code relating to Reserve for Stranded Investment within the Electric fund.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL

The *Consent Calendar* adopting the printed recommended actions will be enacted with one vote. If Councilmembers or Staff wish to address any item on the *Consent Calendar* individually, it will be considered under *SPECIAL CALL ITEMS*.

1. **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 15, 2021.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve minutes as written.

2. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS OF WARRANTS BY THE CITY DATED MARCH 11, 2021 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2021.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt Resolution No. 2021-C15 allowing certain claims and demands and specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid.

3. **HUMAN RESOURCES ACTION ITEMS.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the following Personnel Action Requests in accordance with the City of Azusa Civil Service Rules and applicable Memorandum of Understanding(s).

4. **REQUEST TO APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SCIENTIA CONSULTING GROUP.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Professional Services Agreement with Scientia Consulting Group in a not to exceed annual amount to \$123,124; Authorize the City Manager to execute a contract, in a form acceptable to the City Attorney, on behalf of the City; Waive the competitive bidding process as authorized under Azusa Municipal Code Section 2-517(38) Computers, Computer Components and Services; and Approve necessary budget amendments and adjust the current fiscal year budget accordingly.

5. **APPROVE THE IMPROVEMENT PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE RESIDENTIAL RESURFACING PROJECT 2021 PROJECT No. 66121A AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO SOLICIT A NOTICE OF INVITING BIDS.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the project plans and specifications; and Authorize staff to solicit a Notice of Inviting Bids for the Residential Resurfacing Project 2021 Project No. 66121A.

6. **ACCEPTANCE OF PROJECT COMPLETION AND AUTHORIZATION TO FILE A NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM PROJECT NO. 66117C, 66117I, 66118C AND 66117J.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Accept the project improvements; and Authorize Staff to file a Notice of Completion for the Traffic Management System Project No. 66117C, 66117I, 66118C, 66117J, and 66121C.

7. **CONSIDERATION TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ARROW HIGHWAY RAISED MEDIAN ISLANDS PROJECT NO. HSIPL-5112(019).**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Authorize the Mayor to execute a Cooperative Agreement with the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works for a not to exceed amount of \$235,000 for the construction of the Arrow Highway Raised Median Islands Project.

8. **AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$6 MILLION AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT CITY OF AZUSA COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2002-1 (SPECIAL TAX REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2021).**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Authorize the refinancing of the Community Facilities District 2002-1 Special Tax Bonds (Mountain Cove); and Authorize the City Manager or his designee to initiate a Term Sheet for sale of the bonds through a private placement structure to lock in interest rates to the benefit of impacted residents.

F. **SUCCESSOR AGENCY RELATED BUSINESS.**

1. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF WARRANTS BY THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY DATED FEBRUARY 11, 2021 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2021.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

1) Adopt Resolution No. 2021-R05 allowing certain claims and demands to be paid out of Successor Agency Funds.

G. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting will be adjourned in memory of Lillian Acosta Garcia, Dave Lewis and Richard Betancourt, Lifelong Azusa Residents. We also adjourn in solemn honor of those Azusans who we've lost to Covid-19.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

April 19, 2021, 6:30 p.m. Closed Session, 7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting
May 3, 2021, 6:30 p.m. Closed Session, 7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

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CERTIFICATION

I, Adrian Garcia, MMC, Chief Deputy City Clerk of the City of Azusa, or my designee, hereby certify under penalty of perjury that a true, accurate copy of the foregoing agenda was posted on April 1, 2021, seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting per Government Code 54954.2 at the City Clerk's Office, 213 E. Foothill Blvd.; the lobby of the Police Department, 725 N. Alameda Ave.; the Civic Auditorium, 213 E. Foothill Blvd.; the City Library, 729 N. Dalton Ave.; and on the City's Web Page at www.ci.azusa.ca.us.



Adrian Garcia, MMC
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