

Regular Meeting of the Civic Council September 18, 2017

NOTICE: Meetings of the Ladera Ranch Civic Council are held the Third Tuesday of every month at the hour of 7:00 p.m. at the Rancho Santa Margarita Water District Building unless otherwise publicly noticed.

AGENDA ON THE INTERNET: The Agenda is available through the internet at www.lrciviccouncil.org. The public may access the agenda on the Thursday prior to the meeting.

AGENDA DESCRIPTION: The Agenda descriptions are intended to provide members of the public a general summary of items of business to be transacted or discussed. The listed recommended actions represent recommendations made to the Civic Council, which may take any action it deems appropriate on the agenda item and is not limited in any way by the recommended action.

Call to Order: 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Council Members:	Chair:	Jett McCormick
	Vice-Chair:	Gary Kephart
	Councilmember	Amir Arbabi
	Councilmember:	Mike Ellzey
	Councilmember:	Stephanie Ramsey
	Civic Council Administrator:	Carlo Tomaino

PUBLIC SESSION

PUBLIC SESSION: At this time, the Civic Council will convene to consider public matters. Those wishing to address the Civic Council must submit a completed "Request to Speak" form prior to Civic Council action.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country will be led by Chair McCormick.

ELECTION ITEMS:

1. CERTIFICATION OF CIVIC COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Certify the results of the 2017 Civic Council Election

2. REORGANIZATION OF CIVIC COUNCIL

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Select the Chair, Vice-Chair, and Treasurer as desired.

PRESENTATION(S):

3. PRESENTATION FROM THE LADERA RANCHO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

4. REPORT FROM THE ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

At this time, members of the public may address the Civic Council regarding any items within the subject matters jurisdiction of the Civic Council. No action may be taken on items not listed on the agenda. Comments shall be limited to approximately three minutes per person.

Any person wishing to address the Civic Council on any matters, whether or not it appears on this agenda, is requested to complete a "Request to Speak" form. The completed form should be submitted to the Civic Council Secretary prior to an individual being heard by the Civic Council.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

5. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LADERA RANCH CIVIC COUNCIL OF JULY 17, 2017.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve as submitted.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

6. CIVIC COUNCIL COMMITTEE UPDATES

CIVIC COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Chair Jett McCormick
Vice-Chair Gary Kephart
Councilmember Amir Arbabi
Councilmember Mike Ellzey
Councilmember Stephanie Ramsey

ADJOURNMENT: MEETING ADJOURNED TO OCTOBER 16, 2017

SUBJECT:

CERTIFICATION OF CIVIC COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Certify the results of the 2017 Civic Council Elections.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Every two years, the Civic Council holds elections. As required by the Civic Council Bylaws, a notice is sent to the membership requesting nominations. Candidate statements are due no fewer than 45 days and not greater than 60 days prior to the election. Pursuant to the Bylaws, the Civic Council set and publicized the date(s) for conducting elections and accepted candidate statements from qualified members of the community. The Civic Council Election was held from September 13 through September 17, 2017. At this time, staff recommends the Civic Council certify the results of the 2017 Election.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

Submitted By: Carlo Tomaino, Civic Council Administrator

SUBJECT:

REORGANIZATION OF CIVIC COUNCIL

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Select the Chair, Vice-Chair, and Treasurer as desired.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

As part of the election process, the Civic Council reorganizes certain officers by voting to select the Chair, Vice-Chair, and Treasurer. At this time, staff recommends the Civic Council take such action, by majority vote.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

Submitted By: Carlo Tomaino, Civic Council Administrator



Civic Council Agenda Report
Meeting Date: September 18, 2017

SUBJECT:

REPORT FROM THE LADERA RANCHO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive a presentation from the Ladera Rancho Chamber of Commerce.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Mr. Moby Young, of the Ladera Rancho Chamber of Commerce, will provide an update to the Civic Council.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Submitted By: Carlo Tomaino, Civic Council Administrator

SUBJECT:

REPORT FROM THE ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive a report from the Orange County Sheriff's Department.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Orange County Sheriff's Department, which provides public safety services for the unincorporated areas of Orange County, is invited to each meeting. The Sheriff's Department may, at this time, provide relevant updates regarding public safety to the community as desired.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Submitted By: Carlo Tomaino, Civic Council Administrator

SUBJECT:

APPROVAL OF CIVIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve the minutes of the July 17, 2017, Civic Council meeting substantially in the form presented.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The meeting minutes from the prior Civic Council meeting are attached for the Civic Council's approval. There is no further background or discussion associated with this item.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

ATTACHMENTS:

July 17, 2017, Draft Meeting Minutes

Submitted By: Carlo Tomaino, Civic Council Administrator

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE LADERA RANCH CIVIC COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the Ladera Ranch Civic Council held July 17, 2017, at the Rancho Santa Margarita Water District Building on 26111 Antonio Parkway. The meeting convened at 7:01 p.m. with the following members present.

ROLL CALL: Council Members Present: Chair: Jett McCormick
 Vice-Chairman: Gary Kephart
 Councilmember Amir Arbabi
 Councilmember: Stephanie Ramsey

 Council Members Absent: Councilmember: Mike Ellzey

 Civic Council Administrator: Carlo Tomaino

PUBLIC SESSION:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country was led by Chairman McCormick.

APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. **PRESENTATION FROM THE RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA WATER DISTRICT:** Jim Leach, Director of External Affairs, provided a presentation on behalf of the Rancho Santa Margarita Water District. The presentation covered major capital projects designed to capture rain water and runoff using a system of inflatable dams that would be remotely controlled. Because Orange County remains in a moderate drought, the project is intended to meet current and future water demands in the RSWD service area. Mr. Leach provided an overview of the capital project timeline and highlighted cooperation with other water agencies and cities (including San Juan Capistrano) to coordinate the initial phase of the project which has an estimated cost of \$34,000,000. RSWD hopes to have the project commence in the next 18-24 months. Funding will be provided by capital funds, grants, and funding previously allocated by the RSWD Board. RSWD does not anticipate that the project will affect user rates.

2. REPORT FROM THE ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT: Lieutenant Wang of the Sheriff's Department provided a report to the Civic Council. The Sheriff's Department also highlighted reported crimes for June 2016 which include a total of 21 Part I crimes, mostly thefts from vehicles. Lieutenant Wang also highlighted recent efforts to grow the Neighborhood Watch Program, which now includes 14 neighborhoods. Lieutenant Wang also highlighted National Night Out on August 1st and invited the Civic Council and members of the public to attend the event.
3. CIVIC COUNCIL COMMITTEE UPDATES: Councilmember Arbabi provided an update regarding recent slurry seal efforts by Orange County Public Works. Councilmember Arbabi noted that he is frequent community with County staff and residents regarding these improvements. He also noted that the County is working with the University of California Berkeley on a study regarding traffic and pedestrian safety.

Chair McCormick discussed his efforts to work with Oso Grande Elementary School and the County Planning Department regarding challenges associated with the proposed marquee sign. Chair McCormick indicated that the proposal would ultimately have to be approved by the Orange County Planning Commission and the County Board of Supervisors. He also indicated his willingness to assist all parties with review of planning documents.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: A member of the public, Ellis Delameter, provided public comment regarding a potential short-term rental in the Covenant Hills neighborhood. The resident report problems with loud parties and general neighborhood disturbances. The Chairman allowed both the Sheriff's Department and the Civic Council Administrator to provide brief responses related to enforcement efforts and possible ordinances the County could adopt to mitigate these issues.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

4. CIVIC COUNCIL MINUTES: On a motion by Councilmember Ramsey, and as seconded by Councilmember Arbabi, the Civic Council approved the minutes of the regular meeting of June 19, 2017. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0).

DICUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

5. REVIEW OF CIVIC COUNCIL GOALS: Civic Council Administrator Carlo Tomaino provided a summary report of the Civic Council's prior request to review its annual goals in July 2017. Mr. Tomaino, at the request of the Chair, read the

10 goals that Civic Council adopted in January of this year. The Civic Council had general discussion regarding its efforts to execute the goals it established for itself and expressed a need to focus on fundraising and other areas. On a motion by Chairman McCormick and as seconded by Councilmember Ramsey, the Civic Council requested that staff return with an end of the year report to review the goals. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0).

6. ASSEMBLY BILL 572: Civic Council Administrator Carlo Tomaino provided a bill analysis highlighted that Assembly Bill 572, if passed, would enable Orange County to fund the cost of a State Inspector from the California Department of Health that would inspect licensed sober living facilities. Mr. Tomaino further explained that the bill is a pilot program for which the City of Costa Mesa allocated \$125,000 in its Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget and recommended the Civic Council take a position in support of this bill.

Chairman McCormick inquired whether the County of Orange could participate in the funding of the proposed State Inspector. Mr. Tomaino responded affirmatively that the bill would allow for other agencies to participate via a funding reimbursement to the City of Costa Mesa.

On a motion by Councilmember Ramsey and as seconded by Councilmember Arbabi, the Civic Council directed staff to draft a letter of support for Assembly Bill 572. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0).

7. POTENTIAL EXPANSION OF CIVIC COUNCIL: Civic Council Administrator Carlo Tomaino provided a brief presentation to the Civic Council summarizing this request. Mr. Tomaino explained that the Civic Council Bylaws do not preclude the expansion of the organization to represent other unincorporated areas of South Orange County, specifically Rancho Mission Viejo, Las Flores, Wagon Wheel, and Coto de Caza. However, Mr. Tomaino suggested that expanded the scope of the Civic Council should include the commitment of other communities and suggested hosting a meeting or series of meetings to discuss this process with representatives of these communities. Mr. Tomaino suggested the Civic Council agendaize this item for the next working meeting to discuss a possible approach.

There was no formal vote on this item as the Civic Council elected to continue its discussion during an upcoming mid-month meeting.

8. CIVIC COUNCIL ELECTIONS: The Civic Council received a brief presentation from the Civic Council Administrator regarding the upcoming election process. At this point, the Civic Council's period of nomination closed and the Civic Council received candidate statements from interested parties, including one incumbent. The Civic Council Bylaws require that the Civic Council specify and publicize the

timing of the elections, coordinate a “Meet the Candidates Event” and coordinate the elections. The Civic Council agreed that the elections would take place in September and will discuss the coordination of duties, including an “Elections Officer” at the August working meeting.

On a motion by Chairman McCormick and as seconded by Councilmember Ramsey, the Civic Council discuss this issue at an upcoming working meeting. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0).

CIVIC COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Chairman McCormick and Councilmember Ramsey provided additional comments regarding the proposed OSO Grande Elementary School sign indicating that Chair McCormick was working with the County’s planning and entitlement division to address the application.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:44 p.m.

Meeting adjourned to September 18, 2017

SUBJECT:

UPDATES REGARDING COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Members of the Ladera Ranch Civic Council may provide, as desired, updates related to the activities of the Ladera Ranch Civic Council Subcommittees.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Civic Council created ad-hoc committees that serve to supplement its work in specific policy areas. The subcommittees include the Land Use Committee, Communications Committee, Local Governance Committee, Transportation and Safety Committee, and the Community Outreach Committee. At this time, any member of the Civic Council may provide an update regarding the activities of its ad-hoc committee.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Submitted By: Carlo Tomaino, Civic Council Administrator