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City of Corona
City Council Minutes

Wednesday, April 2, 2025, 6:00 p.m.
Closed Session- Council Board Room

Council Present: Jim Steiner, Jacque Casillas, Tom Richins, Wes Speake

Council Absent: Tony Daddario

1. CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session Convened at 5:05 p.m. for the purposes listed below. Present were Mayor Steiner, Vice Mayor Casillas, Council Member Richins, and Council Member Speake. Council Member Daddario was absent. Closed Session adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

1.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)
United States, et al. ex rel John Hendrix v. J-M Manufacturing Company Inc., and
Formosa Plastics Corporation, U.S.A., Case No. ED CV06-00055-GW

1.2 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section	54956.8
Property: 365 N Main St	(APN 119-280-060)
Agency Negotiator: Jacob Ellis,	City Manager
Negotiating Party: Dalia	Gadelmawla
Under Negotiation: Price & Terms of Payment	

2. INVOCATION

None.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Steiner.

4. CONVENE OPEN SESSION

Mayor Steiner called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

5. PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

5.1 PROCLAMATION: DONATE LIFE MONTH

Kat Mantz and Rita Jackson from One Legacy accepted the proclamation.

5.2 RECOGNITION: BORDER PICKLE BALL COURTS

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Mike Halzle, John Straser, Mike Wagoner and Mitch Unger accepted the recognition.

5.3 PRESENTATION: NATIONAL MAYOR'S CHALLENGE FOR WATER CONSERVATION

Kathlyn Meadors, Sustainability Supervisor, provided a presentation.

6. MEETING MINUTES

Moved by: Tom Richins

Seconded by: Wes Speake

That the City Council approve the meeting minutes.

Aye (4): Jim Steiner, Jacque Casillas, Tom Richins, and Wes Speake

Absent (1): Tony Daddario

MotionAPPROVED (4 to 0)

6.1 MINUTES - CITY COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 19, 2025

Approval of Minutes for the City Council, Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Corona, Corona Public Financing Authority, Corona Utility Authority, Corona Housing Authority City Council Meeting of March 19, 2025

6.2 MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 19, 2025

Approval of Minutes for the City Council, Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Corona, Corona Public Financing Authority, Corona Utility Authority, Corona Housing Authority Special Meeting of March 19, 2025.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar was approved with the exception of Items 7.2, 7.7 and 7.8, which were voted on separately.

Moved by: Wes Speake

Seconded by: Tom Richins

That the City Council approve the Consent Calendar.

Aye (4): Jim Steiner, Jacque Casillas, Tom Richins, and Wes Speake

Absent (1): Tony Daddario

MotionAPPROVED (4 to 0)

7.1 CITY COUNCIL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 3413, SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORONA, CALIFORNIA

THIS ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED.

7.2 RESOLUTION ORDERING THE SUMMARY VACATION OF TWO EASEMENTS TRAVERSING TRACT 37030 AND TRACT 37644 LOCATED SOUTH OF EAGLE GLEN PARKWAY AND WEST OF INTERSTATE 15 IN THE BEDFORD COMMUNITY

Councill Member Speake had inquiries and Joanne Coletta, Planning and Development Director, provided clarification.

Moved by: Wes Speake

Seconded by: Tom Richins

That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-018, ordering the summary vacation of the two public trail easements on Lots "C" and "F" of Tract 37030 and Lot "H" of Tract 37644.

Aye (4): Jim Steiner, Jacque Casillas, Tom Richins, and Wes Speake

Absent (1): Tony Daddario

MotionAPPROVED (4 to 0)

7.3 PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT, SURVEY MONUMENTATION AGREEMENT AND FINAL TRACT MAP 36634 LOCATED ON THE EASTSIDE OF HUDSON AVENUE AT POPPYSEED LANE

THIS ITEM WAS APPROVED.

That the City Council:

- a. Approve the Final Map for Tentative Tract Map 36634.
- b. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute Landscape Improvement, Public Improvement, and Survey Monumentation Agreements between the City and Poppybend LLC, a California Limited Liability Company.

7.4 MAINTENANCE/GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS FIRMS FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES

THIS ITEM WAS APPROVED.

That the City Council:

- a. Award Request for Proposals No. 25-017SB for traffic signal maintenance and repair services to St. Francis Electric, LLC, Econolite Systems, Inc., Bear Electrical Solutions, LLC, Crosstown Electrical & Data, Inc., and Macadee Electrical Construction.
- b. Approve the Maintenance/General Services Agreements with St. Francis Electric, LLC, Econolite Systems, Inc., Bear Electrical Solutions, LLC, Crosstown Electrical & Data, Inc., and Macadee Electrical Construction.

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- c. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Maintenance/General Services Agreements with St. Francis Electric, LLC., Econolite Systems, Inc., Bear Electrical Solutions, LLC, Crosstown Electrical & Data, Inc., and Macadee Electrical Construction in the amount of \$200,000 each per fiscal year for the initial contract term ending June 30, 2026, with two two-year option year renewals ending June 30, 2030.
- d. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to negotiate and execute non-substantive extensions, change orders, and amendments up to 10% as authorized in Corona Municipal Code Section [3.08.060\(J\)](#).
- e. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to issue a purchase order to St. Francis Electric, LLC., Econolite Systems, Inc., Bear Electrical Solutions, LLC, Crosstown Electrical & Data, Inc., and Macadee Electrical Construction in accordance with the duly authorized and executed agreements.

7.5 WAIVER FROM SECTION 15.48.020 OF THE CORONA MUNICIPAL CODE REQUIRING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MISSING PUBLIC STREET IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED AT 3980 HOWE STREET ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ACCESSORY STRUCTURE (APN 116-113-006) (APPLICANT: RICHARD DE

THIS ITEM WAS APPROVED.

That the City Council waive the requirement from Section 15.48.020 of the Corona Municipal Code requiring the construction of the missing public street improvements adjacent to 3980 Howe Street.

7.6 MAINTENANCE/GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH SUPERIOR PAVEMENT MARKINGS, INC., AND WGJ ENTERPRISES, INC. dba PCI FOR STREET STRIPING AND PAVEMENT MARKING SERVICES

THIS ITEM WAS APPROVED.

That the City Council:

- a. Award Request for Proposals No. 25-014SB for Street Striping Services to Superior Pavement Markings, Inc. and WGJ Enterprises, Inc. dba PCI for the not-to-exceed fiscal year amounts noted therein.
- b. Approve the Maintenance/General Services Agreements with Superior Pavement Markings, Inc. and WGJ Enterprises, Inc. dba PCI.
- c. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Maintenance/General Services Agreements with Superior Pavement Markings, Inc., and WGJ Enterprises, Inc. dba PCI for \$200,000 each per

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fiscal year for the initial contract term ending June 30, 2026 with two additional two-year optional extension renewals ending June 30, 2030.

- d. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to negotiate and execute non-substantive extensions, change orders, and amendments up to 10% as authorized by Corona Municipal Code Section [3.08.060\(J\)](#)
- e. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to issue a purchase order to Superior Pavement Markings, Inc., and WGJ Enterprises Inc. dba PCI in accordance with the duly authorized and executed agreements.

7.7 CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH VENTURE CONSTRUCTION & MANAGEMENT FOR THE CITY HALL VETERANS MEMORIAL IMPROVEMENTS

Vice Mayor Casillas had inquiries and Rachel McLure, CIP Supervisor, provided clarification.

Moved by: Jacque Casillas

Seconded by: Tom Richins

That the City Council:

- a. Find David Ollis Landscape Development, Inc. non-responsive to Notice Inviting Bids 25-019AT and reject all other prior bids for reasons noted in this staff report, and cancel the existing contract.
- b. Approve the Construction Contract with Venture Construction & Management for the City Hall Veterans Memorial Improvements Project Re-Bid, No. FC-2023-06, in the amount of \$488,635.
- c. Award Notice Inviting Bids 25-039AT to Venture Construction & Management, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, for the total bid amount of \$488,635, and waive all minor irregularities in the bidding document as submitted by the said bidder.
- d. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Construction Contract with Venture Construction & Management in the amount of \$488,635, including any non-substantive extensions, change orders, purchase orders, and amendments up to the amount authorized by Corona Municipal Code Section 3.08.050(H) which is equivalent to 10% or \$48,863.
- e. Authorize an appropriation in the amount of \$122,414 from Measure X Fund 120 to the City Hall Veterans Memorial Improvements Project, No. FC-2023-06.

Aye (4): Jim Steiner, Jacque Casillas, Tom Richins, and Wes Speake

Absent (1): Tony Daddario

MotionAPPROVED (4 to 0)

7.8 UPDATE ON CONTRACTED EMERGENCY TRANSMISSION WATER MAIN AND PARKING LOT REPAIRS AT 515 SOUTH PROMENADE AVENUE PURSUANT TO CORONA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 3.08.130(A)

Joe Morgan, resident, addressed the Council for clarification on the property address.

Tom Moody, Director of Utilities, provided an update.

Moved by: Tom Richins

Seconded by: Jim Steiner

That the City Council receive and file the update to contracted emergency transmission water main line and parking lot repairs at 515 South Promenade Avenue.

That the Corona Utility Authority review, ratify, and to the extent necessary, direct the City Council to take the above actions.

Aye (4): Jim Steiner, Jacque Casillas, Tom Richins, and Wes Speake

Absent (1): Tony Daddario

MotionAPPROVED (4 to 0)

7.9 RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY'S DWELLING UNIT OCCUPANCY FACTOR ACCORDING TO SECTION 16.35.040 OF THE CORONA MUNICIPAL CODE FOR DETERMINING THE MAXIMUM AREA OF PARKLAND THAT IS REQUIRED TO BE DEDICATED FOR RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISIONS

THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

That the City Council approve Resolution 2025-017 establishing the dwelling unit occupancy factor based upon the 2020 U.S. Census data for determining the amount of parkland to be dedicated pursuant to Chapter 16.35 of the Corona Municipal Code.

7.10 FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE MAINTENANCE/GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION RENTALS, INC. TO INCREASE THE COMPENSATION BY \$75,000 FOR A TOTAL COMPENSATION OF \$175,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025

THIS ITEM WAS APPROVED.

That the City Council:

- a. Approve the First Amendment to the Maintenance/General Services Agreement with National Construction Rentals, Inc. to increase the compensation by \$75,000 for total compensation of \$175,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.
- b. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the First Amendment to the Maintenance/General Services Agreement with National Construction Rentals, Inc. for total compensation of \$175,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

- c. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to issue a change order to Purchase Order B250278 to National Construction Rentals, Inc. in the amount of \$75,000 for a total purchase order amount of \$175,000.

8. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Maddy Paxton, resident, addressed the Council and expressed her appreciation for the painted utility boxes and not closing the RSO.

9. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

9.1 **PUBLIC HEARING FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE 2024-2025 ACTION PLAN & 2022-2023 ACTION PLAN**

Mayor Steiner opened the Public Hearing. Sylvia Edwards, City Clerk, stated there was no correspondence received from the public. Mayor Steiner closed the Public Hearing.

Moved by: Tom Richins

Seconded by: Wes Speake

That the City Council:

- a. Conduct a public hearing to receive comments concerning Amendment No. 1 to Program Year 2024-2025 HUD and Program Year 2022-2023 Action Plans of the HUD Consolidated Plan.
- b. Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Program Years 2024-2025 and 2022-2023 Action Plans of the HUD Consolidate Plan to cancel an activity (Program Year 2024 Victoria Park Community Center Park Improvements Project Phase III) and to transfer the funds to an existing project (Program Year 2022 Victoria Park Improvements Phase I - Splash Pad) in excess of 50% of the project's original budget.
- c. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to prepare and process all necessary budgetary transactions to effectuate the changes in Amendment No. 1 for the Program Years 2024-2025 and 2022-2023 Action Plans.
- d. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to negotiate, execute, and amend contracts with sub-recipients, developers, or professional service providers as necessary to implement CDBG funds under the approved projects identified in Amendment No. 1 to the Program Years 2024-2025 and 2022-2023.
- e. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute, amend, and submit all plans and documents necessary to administer the CDBG projects identified in Amendment No. 1 to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Aye (4): Jim Steiner, Jacque Casillas, Tom Richins, and Wes Speake

Absent (1): Tony Daddario

MotionAPPROVED (4 to 0)

10. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

10.1 REQUEST BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPEAKE ASKING THE CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER AN UPDATE TO THE CITY'S HERITAGE INVENTORY TO INCLUDE CERTAIN COMMERCIAL STRUCTURES

Joanne Coletta, Planning and Development Director, provided a report.

Joe Morgan, resident, addressed the Council and expressed his concerns with the proposed item.

By majority, the Council agreed with Option 1.

That the City Council provide direction to City staff based on one of the options presented in the staff report.

10.2 REQUEST FROM COUNCIL MEMBER SPEAKE FOR PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE MAGNOLIA AVENUE AND EL SOBRANTE ROAD INTERSECTION

Aaron Cox, Senior Engineer Traffic, and Rosalva Ureno, City Traffic Engineer, provided a report.

Joe Morgan, resident, addressed the Council and expressed his support for options A and B.

Maddie Paxton, resident, addressed the Council and expressed her concerns regarding the proposed item.

Don Fuller, resident, addressed the Council and provided comments regarding each Option.

Chad Miller, resident, addressed the Council and thanked Vice Mayor Casillas for considering the surrounding businesses.

The Council provided comments and staff direction. By majority, the Council agreed with Options A and B.

That the City Council:

- a. Approve staff's recommendation to implement the short-term plan of crosswalk removal at El Sobrante Road in the interest of removing disruptions to the corridors signal coordination.
- b. Provide feedback and direction on the proposed long-term treatments, perform detailed traffic studies to quantify the impacts of these proposed treatments, and prepare a future presentation to discuss conceptual alternatives and study results for the proposed long-term reconfigurations of the intersection of Magnolia at El Sobrante.

10.3 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Joel Belding, Economic Development Director, and Ashley Zaragoza, Economic Development Manager, and Charles Parker, Retail Coach, provided an update.

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David Hernandez, resident, addressed the Council and expressed various concerns.

Joe Morgan, resident, addressed the Council and expressed his concerns with the proposed item.

Chad Miller, resident, addressed the Council and thanked the Economic Development and staff for their hard work.

The Council provided comments and had inquiries. Mr. Belding and Mr. Parker, provided clarification.

That the City Council receive an update and provide feedback on the implementation of the Economic Development Strategic Plan.

10.4 APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2025-020, A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORONA ESTABLISHING ITS INTENTION TO AMEND ITS AGREEMENT WITH CALPERS

Moved by: Tom Richins

Seconded by: Wes Speake

That the City Council:

- a. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-020, the intention to approve an amendment to the contract between the Board of Administration California Public Employees' Retirement System and the City Council of the City of Corona.
- b. Introduce, by title only, and waive full reading of consideration of Ordinance No. 3414, first reading of an ordinance authorizing an amendment to the contract between the City Council of the City of Corona, and the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System.

Aye (4): Jim Steiner, Jacque Casillas, Tom Richins, and Wes Speake

Absent (1): Tony Daddario

MotionAPPROVED (4 to 0)

11. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

None.

12. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

12.1 Library Board of Trustees

None.

12.2 Planning & Housing Commission

12.2.a STAFF REPORT - CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 2023-0015

By majority, the Council agreed to set this item for review.

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That the City Council:

- a. Take no action, thereby affirming the Planning and Housing Commission's action granting CUP2023-0015, based on the finding contained in the staff report and conditions of approval.

OR

- b. Set the item for review at a subsequent meeting.

12.3 Parks & Recreation Commission

None.

12.4 Regional Meetings

12.4.a UPDATE FROM COUNCIL MEMBER WES SPEAKE ON THE CAL CITIES HOUSING, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING OF MARCH 27, 2025

Council Member Speake provided an update.

13. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

14. CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

15. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Vice Mayor Casillas announced she will be hosting Coffee with a Council Member every Saturday in May from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. for District 1.

Council Member Speake thanked staff for their hard work on the grand opening for Mountain Gate Park. He also thanked Council Member Richins for attending the Vietnam Wall dedication at Butterfield Park.

Council Member Richins encouraged residents to attend the Vietnam Wall dedication at Butterfield Park. He provided a brief overview of the History Day event at Santana Park and the demolition of the old Corona Police Department building.

16. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

16.1 MCKINLEY GRADE SEPARATION UPDATE (STAFF) APRIL 16, 2025

16.2 AUTOMATIC GATES AT PARKS (STAFF) APRIL 16, 2025

16.3 HISTORIC CIVIC CENTER (HCC) OPERATIONS PLAN (STAFF) APRIL/MAY

16.4 SKYLINE MASTER PLAN (STAFF) APRIL/MAY

16.5 HERITAGE ROOM POLICY UPDATES (STAFF) APRIL/MAY

16.6 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY GIVING POLICY (STAFF) MAY 7, 2025

16.7 INCLUSIONARY HOUSING ORDINANCE (W. SPEAKE) – JUNE/JULY

- 16.8 FUTURE CIP FOR DEDICATED RIGHT TURN LANE FOR WB BEDFORD TO CAJALCO (W. SPEAKE) TBD
- 16.9 WRCRWA REPRESENTATIVE CHANGE (W. SPEAKE) – TBD
- 16.10 UPDATE CMC 9.52.030, NO EXCEPTION - CERTAIN CCW PERMITS (T. DADDARIO) TBD
- 16.11 FEATHER FLAG PERMIT AMENDMENTS (W. SPEAKE) TBD
- 16.12 EXPLORE CMC ORDINANCE CHANGES TO SET TIME LIMITS FOR SPECIFIC FOR TEMPORARY FENCING AND BOARDED UP WINDOWS (W. SPEAKE) TBD
- 16.13 EXPLORE CORDON PRICING OF THE FOOTHILL CORRIDOR TO DETER CUT THROUGH TRAFFIC (W. SPEAKE) TBD
- 16.14 REVIEW/AMEND SECTION 17.63.120 ALTERATION, RELOCATION OR DEMOLITION OF HISTORIC RESOURCES, SPECIFICALLY (D)(6) (W. SPEAKE) TBD

17. **ADJOURNMENT**

The next scheduled meeting of the Council is on April 16, 2025. Mayor Steiner adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m. in honor of Roman Lacayo.