

CITY OF ALISO VIEJO
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 2, 2025, 7:00 PM
Council Chambers, City Hall, 12 Journey
Aliso Viejo, California

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Ackley called the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Aliso Viejo to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: MAYOR TIFFANY ACKLEY
MAYOR PRO TEM MAX DUNCAN
COUNCILMEMBER RICHARD W. HURT
COUNCILMEMBER MIKE MUNZING
COUNCILMEMBER TIM A. ZANDBERGEN

ABSENT: NONE

STAFF PRESENT: MITZI ORTIZ, CITY MANAGER
SCOTT SMITH, CITY ATTORNEY
JANET MARTINEZ, CITY CLERK
ANN EIFERT, FINANCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR
SHAUN PELLETIER, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
SO KIM, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
LIZZY MENDOZA, RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES MANAGER
ISAAC AZIZ, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER
CAPT. RYAN BUHR, CHIEF OF POLICE SERVICES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Jennifer Engle led the pledge of allegiance.

1. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

1.1 PROCLAMATION - FAIR HOUSING MONTH

Mayor Ackley presented the proclamation to Fair Housing Foundation Outreach Coordinator Christina Prado. Ms. Prado expressed her appreciation for the recognition.

1.2 PROCLAMATION - DONATE LIFE MONTH

Mayor Ackley presented the proclamation to OneLegacy Ambassador Leslie Eskildsen. Ms. Eskildsen expressed her appreciation and commented on the importance of the designation.

2. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, REORDERING TO THE AGENDA:

Mayor Ackley obtained consensus to reorder Discussion Item No. 6.2 to be discussed after Community Input.

3. COMMUNITY INPUT:

1. Thomas Pfeiffer commented on the budget for the Aliso Viejo Ranch.

6. DISCUSSION:

6.2 CITY OF ALISO VIEJO FLAG DISPLAY RESOLUTION (MUNZING)

Councilmember Munzing provided an overview and responded to questions regarding verbiage on the resolution and current flag policy. Mayor Ackley opened for public comment:

The following spoke in opposition: 1. Nycole Freer; 2. Daniel Orea; 3. Florice Hoffman; 4. Dahlia Collins; 5. SJ; 6. Amy Mark; 7. Matt; 8. Anita Narayana. 9. Denise Penn; 10. Stephanie Camacho-Vandyke; 11. Kane Duram; 12. Samuel Penned; 13. Michelle Antennesse; 14. Jennifer Engle; 15. Stephanie Wade; 16. Brendan Thorne; 17. Wendy Lords; 18. Christine Lippincott; 19. Chris Kluwe; 20. Chris Lawver; 21. Charlotte P.; 22. Priscilla Huang; 23. Morgan Evans; 24. Amber Morrell; 25. Jill Upron; 26. Noelle Carney Campbell; 27. Elizabeth Gomez Dapena; 28. Michel Hughes; 29. Matthews Cribioli; 30. Judy Iannacone; 31. Jeff Pearlman; 32. Anne H.; 33. Davis Garcia; 34. Pamela Ballar; 35. Heather Prithard; 36. Melissa Thompson; 37. Nolan Vega Pritchett; 38. Kat Lohrke; 39. Juliana M.; 40. Juliana Serur; 41. Louis Parker; 42. Ally Neufeld; 43. Anita Tsaason.

The following spoke in support: 1. Jenny Golden; 2. Alyssa Danielle; 3. Steve Mendoza; 4. Michelle O.; 5. Adonis Melas; 6. Scott White; 7. Kennedy Camacho; 8. Tara Rickson; 9. Sonia Terwiske; 10. Patricia Waterman; 11. Steve Knoblock; 12. Greet Prete; 13. Kristen Valle; 14. Jason Garshfield.

MAYOR ACKLEY RECESSED THE MEETING AT 9:07 P.M. AND RECONVENED AT 9:17 P.M.

Mayor Ackley read the public comments submitted via email.

The following individuals submitted an email in opposition: 1. Angela Smith; 2. Carina Aguirre; 3. Danielle Matthew; 4. Danielle Stavrinandis; 5. Fiona Kephart; 6. Kaylin Leetch; 7. Meghan Yolles; 8. Michelle Mercurio; 9. Negar Omidakhsh; 10. Satomi Ogata; 11. The Alcantara-Flick Family; 12. Amanda Sturges; 13. Angela Smith; 14. Chris Perluss; 15. Elizabeth Musetti; 16. Gia Lugo; 17. Gilliam Buckley; 18. Jessica Althoff; 19. Jessica Grisel; 20. Kalie Hellfeld; 21. Kelly Austin; 22. Kelly Foote; 23. Lindsay Hargrave; 24. Mary Lara; 25. Meghan Yolles; 26. Monique Maessen; 27. Morgan Estupinan; 28. Victoria Lowerson Bredow; 29. Wapee Sadaghiani; 30. Ashley Grey; 31. Becca Goodman; 32. Betsy K. Marshall; 33. Caitlyn Innis; 34. Carmen Stramara; 35. Caylynn Cole; 36. Deborah Lima; 37. Elizabeth Rodriguez; 38. Jessica; 39. Josephus Van Engelen; 40. Kimberly Goering; 41. Kris Reynolds; 42. Laura San Nicolas; 43. Leslie Kim, Kyle Mackey, Tyler Mackey; 44. Linda Parsons; 45. Lisa Locklear; 46. Lisa Snyder; 47. Louise Callus-Woosley; 48. Maureen Marsic; 49. Payal Avellan; 50. Phillip Lovelace; 51. Sabrina Van Engelen; 52. Scott Westerfield; 53. Shauna Eheler; 54. Sofie Rockele; 55. Steven Wang; 56. Susanna Theroux; 58. Wendy Lords.

The following individuals submitted an email in support: 1. Kristina Thomas; 2. Tricia and Gilbert Portugal.

Recommended Action: Adopt City of Aliso Viejo Flag Display Resolution.

Motion: Councilmember Hurt moved and Mayor Ackley seconded to authorize Councilmember Munzing to work with the City Attorney for 10 hours to prepare resolutions. Motion failed due to no vote taken.

Motion: Councilmember Hurt moved and Mayor Ackley seconded to bring back the item at a future date. Motion failed 2-3, with Councilmembers Munzing and Zandbergen and Mayor Pro Tem Duncan dissenting.

Staff responded to questions regarding number of City-owned flagpoles and which flags have been flown at each site.

Motion: Councilmember Munzing moved and Mayor Pro Tem Duncan seconded to allow Councilmember Munzing to make a comment. Motion carried 3-2, with Councilmember Hurt and Mayor Ackley dissenting.

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Duncan moved and Councilmember Munzing seconded to direct the City Attorney to spend 10 minutes to revise the proposed resolution and narrow the scope to the flagpole located at City Hall. No vote was taken.

Motion: Councilmember Zandbergen moved to suspend the decision. Motion failed due to lack of second.

By consensus, the City Council directed the City Attorney to revise the resolution to only pertain to the flagpole located at City Hall.

MAYOR ACKLEY RECESSED THE MEETING AT 12:03 A.M. AND RECONVENED AT 12:09 A.M.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Unless otherwise indicated below, the following pertains to all items on the Consent Calendar.

Motion: Councilmember Hurt moved and Councilmember Munzing seconded to approve the recommended actions. Motion carried 5-0.

4.1 WAIVE THE READING OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Recommended Action: Approve the reading by title only of all ordinances and resolutions wherein the titles appear on the public agenda; said titles shall be determined to have been ready by title, and further reading is waived.

4.2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommended Action: Approve the minutes as submitted for the February 26, 2025, and March 5, 2025, Special and Regular Meetings.

4.3 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Recommended Action: Ratify accounts payable checks and electronic funds transfers issued between February 28, 2025, and March 13, 2025, in the amount of \$936,619.32.

4.4 TREASURER'S STATEMENT – FEBRUARY 2025

Recommended Action: Receive and file the February 2025 Treasurer's Statement.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

MAYOR ACKLEY RECESSED THE MEETING AT 12:10 A.M. AND RECONVENED AT 12:17 A.M.

6. DISCUSSION:

6.2 CITY OF ALISO VIEJO FLAG DISPLAY RESOLUTION (MUNZING)

City Attorney Scott Smith presented the revised resolution. City Council discussion resumed.

Motion: Councilmember Munzing moved and Councilmember Duncan seconded to pull the resolution from consideration. Motion carried 5-0.

6.1 BIKE LANE DISCUSSION

Recommended Action:

1. Receive Staff presentation; and
2. Provide direction to Staff regarding bike lane improvement implementation timeline.

This matter was continued to April 16, 2025.

7. CITY MANAGER' S REPORT:

None.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS / COUNCIL COMMENTS / COMMITTEE UPDATES:

None.

9. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Ackley adjourned the meeting at 12:35 a.m. to the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting of April 16, 2025.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by:



JANET MARTINEZ
CITY CLERK



for TIFFANY ACKLEY
MAYOR