

CITY OF ALISO VIEJO
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
February 21, 2024, 7:00 PM
Council Chambers, City Hall, 12 Journey
Aliso Viejo, California

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Munzing called the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Aliso Viejo to order at 7:12 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: MAYOR MIKE MUNZING
MAYOR PRO TEM TIFFANY ACKLEY
COUNCILMEMBER ROSS CHUN
COUNCILMEMBER MAX DUNCAN
COUNCILMEMBER RICHARD W. HURT

ABSENT: NONE

STAFF PRESENT: DAVID A. DOYLE, CITY MANAGER
SCOTT SMITH, CITY ATTORNEY
MITZI ORTIZ, CITY CLERK
ANN EIFERT, FINANCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR
SHAUN PELLETIER, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
SO KIM, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
ISAAC AZIZ, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER
CAPT. ALAN VILLANUEVA, CHIEF OF POLICE SERVICES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Cindy Nielsen led the pledge of allegiance.

1. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

1.1 BUSINESS OF THE MONTH - TACOS DE BIRRIA ESTILO GUADALAJARA

Mayor Munzing introduced the video and presented the certificate of recognition to Owners Al Rosario and Jesus Serrato. They expressed their appreciation.

1.2 RECOGNITION OF ALISO VIEJO GIRLS SOFTBALL ALL STARS – 8U SILVER HAVOC

Mayor Munzing presented the certificates of recognition to Team Manager Sara Johnson, who commented on the team's accomplishments.

1.3 RECOGNITION OF ALISO VIEJO GIRLS SOFTBALL ALL STARS – 10U GOLD CRUSHERS

Mayor Munzing presented the certificates of recognition to Team Manager Mike Fox, who commented on the team's accomplishments.

1.4 RECOGNITION OF ALISO VIEJO GIRLS SOFTBALL ALL STARS – 12U GOLD LIGHTNING

Mayor Munzing presented the certificates of recognition to Team Manager Justin Gaschen, who commented on the team's accomplishments.

2. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, REORDERING TO THE AGENDA:

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Ackley moved and Councilmember Chun seconded to continue Public Hearing Item 5.1 to April 17, 2024. Motion carried 5-0.

3. COMMUNITY INPUT:

1. Tom Merritt proposed conversion of office space to residential, and expressed concerns with residential in commercial centers and the proposed development in The Commons.
2. Amber Leonard expressed concern with the proposed development in The Commons.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

Motion: Councilmember Chun moved and Councilmember Hurt 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 read by title, and further reading is waived.

4.2 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Recommended Action: Ratify accounts payable checks and electronic funds transfers issued between January 19, 2024 and February 7, 2024, in the amount of \$1,327,919.76.

4.3 PROPOSED LEASE WITH FAMILY ASSISTANCE MINISTRIES - 89 PLAYA CIRCLE, ALISO VIEJO, CA 92656

Recommended Action: Approve the lease agreement with Family Assistance Ministries (FAM) for the property at 89 Playa Circle and direct the City Manager to execute the lease of the property.

4.4 PLANNING APPLICATION PA22-005 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALISO VIEJO, CALIFORNIA AMENDING TITLE 15 OF THE ALISO VIEJO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW POLE SIGNS IN COMMERCIAL SHOPPING CENTERS LOCATED ALONG STATE ROUTE 73, A REQUEST FOR A MASTER SIGN PROGRAM AND AN EXCEPTION PERMIT FOR PARKING LOCATED AT 26852-27072 LA PAZ ROAD (APPLICANT: TARGET)

City Manager David Doyle responded to a question regarding withdrawal of the application.

Recommended Action: Receive and file the Applicant's request to withdraw the Master Sign Program and Exception Permit for a pole sign at 26852-27072 La Paz Road.

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Ackley moved and Councilmember Chun seconded to approve the recommended action. Motion carried 5-0.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

5.1 ALISO VIEJO RANCH FEES

This item was removed from consideration.

5.2 ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS OF TITLE 15 ZONING CODE PERTAINING TO LOW BARRIER NAVIGATION CENTERS, GROUP QUARTERS, RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES, AND EMPLOYEE HOUSING

City Manager David Doyle introduced Community Development Director So Kim, who provided an overview. Staff responded to questions regarding short-term rentals. Mayor Munzing opened the public hearing. There were no comments. Mayor Munzing closed the public hearing.

Recommended Action:

1. Hold a public hearing and introduce for first reading an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALISO VIEJO AMENDING SECTIONS 15.10.020 (PERMITTED USES IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS) AND 15.38.030 (RESIDENTIAL PARKING REQUIREMENTS) OF THE ALISO VIEJO MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO LOW BARRIER NAVIGATION CENTERS, GROUP QUARTERS, RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES, AND EMPLOYEE HOUSING AND DETERMINING THE ORDINANCE TO BE EXEMPT FROM CEQA; and
2. Find the attached Ordinance exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3).

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

6. DISCUSSION:

6.1 INFORMATIONAL REPORT REGARDING MAYORAL ROTATION POLICIES

City Attorney Scott Smith provided an overview. City Clerk Mitzi Ortiz provided additional information. Staff responded to questions regarding costs to add a measure to the ballot and impact of by-district elections. Councilmembers commented on the matter.

Recommended Action: Receive and consider the options presented in this informational report and provide direction to staff regarding a potential ordinance or policy to set forth procedures for the selection and rotation of the mayor and mayor pro tem.

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Ackley moved and Councilmember Duncan seconded to continue the matter to a future date. Motion carried 5-0.

7. CITY MANAGER' S REPORT:

City Manager David Doyle announced Movie Night to be held at 6:00 p.m. on March 15, 2024, at Aliso Viejo Middle School.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS / COUNCIL COMMENTS / COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Councilmember Hurt:

- Participated in career presentation at Irvine Valley College

Councilmember Duncan:

- Expressed appreciation for the Study Session and public participation

Councilmember Chun:

- Attended Aliso Niguel High School fentanyl poisoning presentation
- Expressed appreciation to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for book drive
- Attended OCFA briefing on joint powers authority renewal
- Attended OCFA Budget And Finance Committee Meeting
- Attended OCFA firefighting equipment fitting
- Attended Aliso Viejo Youth Council Meeting
- Attended Belmont Village Reception

Mayor Pro Tem Ackley:

- Expressed appreciation to the Aliso Viejo Community Association
- Encouraged residents to observe Black History Month

Mayor Munzing:

- Expressed appreciation to the City Council and members of the public

9. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Munzing adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m. to the regularly scheduled City Council meeting of March 6, 2024.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by:


FOR MITZI ORTIZ, MMC
CITY CLERK


MIKE MUNZING
MAYOR