

CITY OF ARTESIA  
ARTESIA CITY HALL – CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
18747 CLARKDALE AVENUE, ARTESIA, CA 90701

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ARTESIA CITY COUNCIL

MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022  
7:00 P.M.

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The Regular Meeting of the Artesia City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, April 11, 2022 at the City Council Chambers in Artesia City Hall by Mayor Ramoso. Rabbi Mark Goldfarb from Temple Beth Ohr delivered the Invocation and Public Safety Commission Chair Paul De Medeiros led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Present:** Melissa Ramoso, Mayor  
Monica Manalo, Mayor Pro Tem  
Tony Lima, Councilmember  
Ali Taj, Councilmember  
Rene Trevino, Councilmember

**Also Present:** Mike Egan, Interim City Manager  
Ernesto Sanchez, City Clerk  
Melissa Burke, Administrative Manager  
Hong Dao Nguyen, City Attorney  
Jamie Murguia, Interim Finance Manager  
Okina Dor, Community Development Director  
Edith Guerra, Parks and Recreation Manager  
Eric Joseph, Management Analyst  
Karen Lee, Assistant Finance Manager

## MEETING PROCEDURES

THE CITY CLERK READ THE MEETING PROCEDURES AS FOLLOWS:

Members of the public may attend to speak during public comment or on agenda items, as described below. In order to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19) and pursuant to the Governor's Executive Orders, Public observation and participation will be facilitated by the following means:

Members of the public may observe the meeting via livestream on the City's website. Members of the public may view the meeting and provide public comments in-person in the City Council Chambers at Artesia City Hall subject to posted COVID-19 protocols.

Public comments may also be submitted by email at [publiccomments@cityofartesia.us](mailto:publiccomments@cityofartesia.us) or by leaving a voicemail at (562) 865-6262, extension 200. Comment submitted before 4:00 p.m. on the date of the meeting will be read until the time limit of three minutes has been reached.

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA TO MOVE ITEM NO. 24 TO BE CONSIDERED BEFORE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AND APPROVE THE AGENDA.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ.

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Trevino, Taj, Lima, Manalo, Ramoso
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: The Agenda was approved without objection 5-0-0-0.

## **ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING SPEAKER CARDS PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The City Clerk presented the Announcement Regarding Public Comments and reported that there were no public comments.

## **COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

Councilmember Trevino provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Manalo provided comments.

Mayor Ramoso provided comments.

## **CEREMONIAL PRESENTATION**

### **1. 2022 DONATE LIFE MONTH PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Ramoso proclaimed April 2022 as Donate Life Month.

Gavin Sweeney from One Legacy accepted the proclamation and provided comments.

### **2. 2022 AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Ramoso proclaimed April 2022 as Autism Awareness Month.

Andy Kopipo from Autism Society of Los Angeles accepted the proclamation and provided comments.

### **3. 2022 SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Ramoso proclaimed April 2022 as Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness Month.

Ria Terre from Peace Over Violence accepted the proclamation and provided comments.

### **4. 2022 RAMADAN MONTH PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Ramoso proclaimed April 2022 as Ramadan Month.

5. EARTH DAY PROCLAMATION

Mayor Ramoso proclaimed April 22, 2022 as Earth Day.

6. ADULT SCHOOL STUDENT RECOGNITION DAY PROCLAMATION

Mayor Ramoso proclaims April 28, 2022 as Adult School Student Recognition Day.

Chuck Minear from ABC Adult School accepted the proclamation and provided comments.

**ORDINANCE**

24. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 22-925, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ARTESIA, CALIFORNIA, REVISING CHAPTER 2 OF TITLE 4 OF THE ARTESIA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING FIREWORKS

Administrative Manager provided Staff Report.

Councilmember Trevino provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments and asked question regarding item.

Interim City Manager answered questions regarding item.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Manalo provided comments and asked question regarding item.

Interim City Manager answered questions regarding item.

Mayor Pro Tem Manalo provided additional comments.

Mayor Ramoso provided comments.

City Clerk read public comments from Hyun Kim.

City Clerk read public comments from Corinne Costa.

City Clerk read public comments from Rocky Damico.

City Clerk read public comments from Dody Kane.

City Clerk read public comments from Ryan Bogert.

John Bangoloz provided public comments.

Ryan Klement provided public comments.

Patricia Dixon provided public comments.

Lela Nam provided public comments.

Carl Fonseca provided public comments.

Mayor Ramoso provided comments.

Councilmember Trevino asked question.

Ryan Klement answered question.

Councilmember Trevino provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Manalo provided comments.

Mayor Ramoso provided comments and asked question regarding item.

Interim City Manager answered question regarding item.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 22-925 WITH AMENDMENT THAT PERMITS THE SALE AND DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS BETWEEN JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup> AND JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ.

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Trevino, Taj, Lima, Manalo, Ramoso
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Ordinance No. 22-925 with an amendment was introduced without objection 5-0-0-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Manalo provided comments.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEM NOS 7 – 23)**

Consent Calendar Item Nos. 12, 14, 18 and 22 were removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ITEM NOS. 12, 14, 18 AND 22.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA.

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Trevino, Taj, Lima, Manalo, Ramoso
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Consent Calendar, excluding item nos. 12, 14, 18 and 22, was approved without objections 5-0-0-0.

12. APPROVAL FOR MAYOR OR MAYOR PRO TEM TO SIGN A LETTER IN SUPPORT FOR A \$180 MILLION STATE GENERAL FUND BUDGET REQUEST TO SUPPORT LOCAL ASSISTANCE FOR ORGANIC WASTE AND RECYCLING DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

Mayor Ramoso abstained from item no. 12.

Interim City Manager provided Staff Report.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ TO APPROVE ITEM NO. 12.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA.

Said motion carried (4-0-1-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Trevino, Taj, Lima, Manalo
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Ramoso
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item no. 12 was approved 4-0-1-0.

14. APPROVAL OF FIRST AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF ARTESIA AND MARINA LANDSCAPE INC. FOR HISTORICAL DISTRICT RECREATIONAL TRAILS PHASE III: LANDSCAPING TO AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE EXTRA WORK

City Clerk provided Staff Report.

Patricia Dixon provided public comments.

Interim City Manager provided comments.

Administrative Manager provided comments.

Interim City Manager provided comments.

Michelle Diaz provided public comments.

Mayor Ramoso provided comments.

Councilmember Trevino provided comments.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA TO APPROVE ITEM NO. 14.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TREVINO.

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Trevino, Taj, Lima, Manalo, Ramoso
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Item no. 14 was approved 5-0-0-0.

18. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. ASA 22-44, A RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE ARTESIA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF REFUNDING BONDS IN ORDER TO REFUND CERTAIN OUTSTANDING BONDS OF THE DISSOLVED ARTESIA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN INDENTURE OF TRUST RELATING THERETO, REQUESTING LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOURTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT CONSOLIDATED OVERSIGHT BOARD APPROVAL OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE REFUNDING BONDS, REQUESTING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS BY THE OVERSIGHT BOARD, AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO

Interim Finance Manager provided Staff Report.

Mike Bush provided Presentation.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Manalo provided comments.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. ASA 22-44.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA.

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Trevino, Taj, Lima, Manalo, Ramoso
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Resolution No. ASA 22-44 was adopted 5-0-0-0.

22. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 22- 922, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARTESIA, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 24 (UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A CATALYTIC CONVERTER PROHIBITED) OF TITLE 5 (PUBLIC WELFARE) OF THE ARTESIA MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS PROHIBITING THE UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS IN THE CITY

City Attorney provided Staff Report.

Mayor Ramoso asked question regarding item.

City Attorney answered question regarding item.

Mayor Ramoso asked questions regarding item.

City Attorney answered questions regarding item.

Mayor Ramoso provided comments.

Interim City Manager provided comments.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 22-922.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LIMA.

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Trevino, Taj, Lima, Manalo, Ramoso
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Ordinance No. 22-922 was adopted 5-0-0-0.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

25. PUBLIC HEARING; AND SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 22-924, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARTESIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE ARTESIA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING OVERSIZED VEHICLE PARKING

Administrative Manager provided Staff Report.

Mayor Ramoso opened Public Hearing.

Kevin Kohl provided public comments.

Patricia Dixon provided public comments.

Mayor Ramoso closed Public Hearing.

Councilmember Trevino provided comments and asked question regarding item.

Interim City Manager answered questions regarding item.

Councilmember Trevino provided additional comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Manalo asked question regarding item.

Interim City Manager answered questions regarding item.

Mayor Ramoso provided comments.

Interim City Manager provided comments.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 22-924.

MOTION SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM MANALO.

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Trevino, Taj, Lima, Manalo, Ramoso
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Ordinance No. 22-924 was adopted 5-0-0-0.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **26. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF DESIGN ALTERNATIVES FOR CITY ENTRY MONUMENT SIGNS**

Management Analyst provided Staff Report.

Councilmember Trevino provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Manalo asked questions regarding item.

City Clerk answered question regarding item.

Mayor Pro Tem Manalo provided comments.

Mayor Ramoso provided comments.

Administrative Manager provided comments.

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: City Council directed Staff to develop variations of Alternative No. 3 and bring to the City Council for consideration.

### **27. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DIRECT THAT THE PROPOSITION 218 NOTICE FOR A PROTEST HEARING BE MAILED FOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES RATES BY CR&R, INCORPORATED FOR A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD COMMENCING ON JULY 1, 2022**

Assistant Finance Manager provided Staff Report.

Julie Barreda from CR&R provided Presentation.

Councilmember Trevino provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments.

Councilmember Lima provided comments.

Julie Barreda provided comments.



Mayor Pro Tem Manalo provided comments and asked questions regarding item.  
Assistant Finance Manager answered questions regarding item.

Julie Barreda provided additional comments.

Assistant Finance Manager provided additional comments.

Mayor Ramoso provided comments.

Julie Barreda provided additional comments.

Councilmember Lima asked questions regarding item.

Julie Barreda answered questions regarding item.

Mayor Ramoso provided additional comments.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER TREVINO TO DIRECT THAT THE PROPOSITION 218 NOTICE FOR A PROTEST HEARING BE MAILED FOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES RATES BY CR&R, INCORPORATED FOR A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD COMMENCING ON JULY 1, 2022.

MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TAJ

Said motion carried (5-0-0-0) in the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Trevino, Taj, Lima, Manalo, Ramoso
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Motion was approved 5-0-0-0.

## **STAFF INFORMATIONAL REPORTING**

### **28. INTERIM CITY MANAGER INFORMATION BRIEF**

Interim City Manager provided Information Brief.

Councilmember Lima asked questions.

Administrative Manager answered questions.

Councilmember Trevino provided comments.

Interim City Manager provided comments.

Mayor Ramoso provided comments.

Councilmember Taj provided comments and asked questions.

Interim City Manager answered questions.

Mayor Ramoso provided comments.

### **COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

Councilmember Trevino reported that he did not attend any meetings at public expense and provided additional comments.

Councilmember Taj reported that he attended a League of Cities meeting at public expense and provided additional comments.

Councilmember Lima reported that he did not attend any meetings at public expense and provided additional comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Manalo reported that she did not attend any meetings at public expense and provided additional comments.

Mayor Ramoso reported that she did not attend any meetings at public expense and provided additional comments.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Ramoso adjourned the Regular Meeting at 10:07 p.m.