

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
INCLUDING THE ANTIOCH CITY COUNCIL
ACTING AS HOUSING SUCCESSOR
TO THE ANTIOCH DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

**Regular Meeting
7:00 P.M.**

**August 9, 2022
Council Chambers**

6:30 P.M. - CLOSED SESSION

- 1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS** – pursuant to California Government Code section 54957.6; City designated representatives: Ana Cortez, Jazzman Brown, and Jeff Bailey; Employee organizations: Antioch Public Works Association and Antioch Police Sworn Management Association.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Thorpe adjourned to Closed Session at 6:32 P.M.

7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Thorpe called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M., and City Clerk Householder called the roll.

Present: Council/Agency Members, District 3 Ogorchock, Mayor Pro Tem (District 2) Barbanica and Mayor Thorpe
Absent: Council/Agency Members District 1 Torres-Walker and District 4 Wilson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Thorpe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITY ATTORNEY TO REPORT OUT ON CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Smith reported the City Council had been in Closed Session and gave the following report: **#1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**, no reportable action.

1. INTRODUCTION OF NEW CITY EMPLOYEES

Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore introduced Tasha Johnson, Public Safety and Community Resources Director and Ana Cortez, Human Resources Director who thanked Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore for the introduction and stated they looked forward to serving the City.

Public Safety and Community Resources Director Johnson introduced Jazmin Ridley, Unhoused Resident Coordinator who thanked Public Safety and Community Resources Director Johnson for the introduction and stated she looked forward to serving the City.

Interim Police Chief Ford introduced Costantine Kawalya, Joshua Riosbaas and Jacob King, Police Officers, Alexis Mata, Animal Services Technician and Kelly Beverly, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, who thanked Interim Police Chief Ford for the introduction and stated they looked forward to serving the City.

Human Resources Director Cortez introduced Nassier Kaddoura, Administrative Assistant I and Nikki Ausk, Human Resources Analyst who thanked Human Resources Director Cortez for the introduction and stated they looked forward to serving the City.

Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson introduced Dylan Armas, Ronald Heiny, Michael Rhodes, Daniel Rivera, Richardo Romero Garcia, General Laborers, Corey Johnson, Instrument Technician and Diana Rodriguez, Administrative Assistant I who thanked Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson for the introduction and stated they looked forward to serving the City.

Mayor Thorpe thanked the Department Heads for hiring quality employees. He also thanked the new and newly promoted employees for serving the City of Antioch.

Councilmember Barbanica welcomed the employees and recognized Human Resources for onboarding the new employees.

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER OGORCHOCK, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BARBANICA, THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT UNANIMOUSLY SUSPENDED THE RULES AND MOVED THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEM #8, TO BE HEARD AFTER ITEM #2 PROCLAMATION. THE MOTION CARRIED THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: OGORCHOCK, BARBANICA, THORPE ABSENT: TORRES-WALKER, WILSON

2. PROCLAMATION

Iglesia Ni Cristo Day, July 27, 2022

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica, the City Council members present unanimously approved the proclamation.

Mayor Thorpe announced the proclamation would be presented to Iglesia Ni Cristo at their event.

COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA

8. EMPLOYEE REFERRAL AND RECRUITMENT SIGNING BONUS AND INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR QUALIFIED LATERAL AND ENTRY LEVEL POLICE OFFICERS

Interim Police Chief Ford requested Council continue this item to allow staff additional time to provide a more comprehensive report.

On motion by Councilmember Barbanica, seconded by Councilmember Ogorchock, the City Council members present unanimously tabled Item 8.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CIVIC AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Multicultural Festival, Waldie Plaza – August 20, 2022

Director of Parks and Recreation Helfenberger announced the civic and community event.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF BOARD AND COMMISSION OPENINGS

- Sales Tax Citizens' Oversight Committee
- Board of Administrative Appeals

City Clerk Householder announced the Board and Commission openings.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Shelly Hearne, Tom Lamothe and Gary Welch expressed concern regarding reckless driving and accidents that occurred on 10th Street. They requested the City Council address this issue by providing traffic calming measures such as radar trailers and increased police enforcement.

Leslie May requested the City seek grant funding for unhoused mental health facilities. She agreed with the previous speakers regarding their concerns on 10th Street and noted she would be following up with her concerns regarding West 9th Street. She spoke in support of reparations for black African Americans.

Frank Sterling agreed with the residents who spoke about 10th Street and expressed concern regarding the leadership of the Antioch Police Officers Association (APOA).

Andrew Becker agreed with previous speakers concerns regarding traffic on 10th Street and the leadership of the APOA. He commended Confire for their efforts to extinguish a fire on Deer Valley Road and questioned the city's street, park and trail maintenance efforts.

Patricia Granados spoke in support of the unhoused community receiving housing. She expressed concern for the leadership of the APOA. She discussed the diversity of residents in Antioch.

Public comment submitted in writing was entered into the record from the following individual: Jessica Trizuto.

Mayor Thorpe reported that the cause of the fire on Deer Valley Blvd. was suspected arson and the suspect had been arrested.

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS – None

MAYOR'S COMMENTS – None

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR for City /City Council Members acting as Housing Successor to the Antioch Development Agency**
- A. **APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR JUNE 28, 2022**
- B. **APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR JULY 26, 2022**
- C. **APPROVAL OF COUNCIL WARRANTS**
- D. **APPROVAL OF HOUSING SUCCESSOR WARRANTS**
- E. **RESOLUTION NO. 2022/134 LOCAL ROADWAY SAFETY PLAN (P.W. 282-20)**
- F. **RESOLUTION NO. 2022/135 ACCEPTANCE OF WORK AND NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE ANTIOCH RIVERTOWN GATEWAY SIGN (P.W. 679-2)**
- G. **RESOLUTION NO. 2022/136 CONSIDERATION OF BIDS FOR LANDSCAPE SERVICES: FOUR (4) PERSON LANDSCAPE ENHANCEMENT CREW BID NO. 988-0713-22B AND AWARD**
- H. **RESOLUTION NO. 2022/137 TO ACCEPT THE CONVEYANCE AND ASSIGNMENT OF PROPERTY RIGHTS FOR THE LINDSEY BASIN FINALIZATION TASKS AND RIGHT OF WAY TRANSFER PROJECT**

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica, the City Council unanimously approved the Council Consent Calendar with the exception of item E which was removed for further discussion.

Item E – At the request of Councilmember Ogorchock, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson presented the staff report dated August 9, 2022, recommending the City Council adopt a resolution approving and adopting the Local Roadway Safety Plan.

Councilmember Ogorchock suggested light up crosswalks, radar trailers and decoy cars be considered for areas where a high number of fatal and severe injury accidents had occurred.

Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson reported staff would be developing a partnership with the APD to address streets with speeding concerns. He noted they would also be meeting with principals to get their feedback on traffic measures that could be implemented to improve safety near school sites.

Councilmember Ogorchock spoke in support of increasing proactive details and adding more personnel to the APD Traffic Division.

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council members present unanimously approved Item E.

PUBLIC HEARING

6. RESOLUTION ANNEXING CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROMENADE ANTIOCH, LP/TRI POINTE HOLDINGS, INC., INTO COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICTS (CFD) NO. 2022-01 (PUBLIC SERVICES)

Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson presented the staff report dated August 9, 2022, recommending the City Council adopt the resolution annexing certain parcels of Promenade Antioch, LP/Tri Pointe Holdings, Inc., into Community Facilities Districts (CFD) No. 2022-01 (Public Services).

Mayor Thorpe opened and closed the public hearing with no members of the public requesting to speak.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022/138

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council members present unanimously adopted the resolution annexing certain parcels of Promenade Antioch, LP/Tri Pointe Holdings, Inc., into Community Facilities Districts (CFD) No. 2022-01 (Public Services).

COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA – Continued

7. UNHOUSED RESIDENT SERVICES – KEY FEATURES AND STRUCTURE FOR CITY’S FUTURE APPLICATION TO ROUND 3 OF THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT HOMEKEY PROGRAM

Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore presented the staff report dated August 9, 2022, recommending the City Council adopt the resolution authorizing the City to commit \$6M in funds by funding source and identify available City owned parcels for interim and/or permanent supportive housing opportunities for Antioch’s unsheltered residents.

Lindsay Amezcua yielded her time to Andrew Becker.

Andrew Becker, Leslie May, Frank Sterling, Patricia Granados and Edgar Martinez spoke in support of the City Council adopting the resolution. Ms. May suggested the City also consider developing facilities on land adjacent to APD for those experiencing mental illness.

Councilmember Ogorchock spoke in support of building homes for Veterans, Seniors and the unhoused. She announced the State would be coming forward with additional funding opportunities to address these issues.

In response to Councilmember Barbanica, Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore explained the intention would be to identify a financial commitment that would signal to the development community that the City was supportive of this effort. She stated that depending on the type of projects that moved forward, \$6M would be the cap and the timing for the release of those funds would depend on the structure of the proposals.

Councilmember Barbanica commented that Council had allocated a significant amount of money for the establishment of the Public Safety and Community Resources Department, the Executive Inn project, and their commitment to Motel 6. He expressed concern that they had not funded the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) or Prewett Park pool improvements, which were public safety issues. He suggested lowering the City's commitment for this project to \$2M.

Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore stated internally they had established a figure that they could defend, and it was brought forward after considering other projects that had benefited from Homekey.

Councilmember Barbanica reiterated that Council had voted down funding the EOC and Prewett pool improvements with ARPA funds. He stated he could not support a \$6M commitment for this item given the projects Council had previously approved to address homelessness.

Councilmember Ogorchock agreed with Councilmember Barbanica regarding the importance of funding the City's public safety items and lowering the City's commitment to \$2M in ARPA funds. She suggested adding "L" Street parcels for Interim and/or permanent supportive housing opportunities.

Mayor Thorpe responded that there had been a proposal for the "L" Street parcels to become Veteran's Park, and that item would be coming back to Council for consideration.

Jeree Glasser-Hedrick, Focus Strategies, explained the City's investment could help leverage resources at the State level and if the City decreased their commitment, the State would also decrease theirs, which would result in a double negative effect on a project. She stated if the votes were present to approve the developer outreach at the \$2M figure, she would recommend pursuing the effort, identifying those interested and evaluating proposals. She noted that their desire was to try to yield a unit count consistent with the Executive Inn project. She commented that Focus Strategies still supported the \$6M figure which they believed would result in better proposals coming forward; however, they did not want to impede the approval process. She noted it was likely developers would request more funding which could be approved at a later date.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022/139

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council members present unanimously adopted the resolution authorizing the City to commit \$2M in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds by funding source and identify available City

owned parcels for interim and/or permanent supportive housing opportunities for Antioch's unsheltered residents.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Frank Sterling reiterated his concerns regarding the leadership of the APOA and several APD officers.

Patricia Granados suggested the Department of Justice audit the APD and those associated with lives lost. She expressed concern for those who supported the MAGA movement and stated Black Lives Matter.

Andrew Becker thanked Council for their hard work. He expressed concern regarding the Laurel Road exit, and suggested signage and temporary bollards be placed in the area.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS – None

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Ogorchock requested the following items be agendized:

- Update on ARPA funding
- Consideration of lighting the pedestrian crossing on James Donlon Blvd.
- Update on park permitting fees
- Consideration of a free community event at Prewett Water Park sponsored by the APD for children especially those living in group homes

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council members present unanimously adjourned the meeting at 9:02 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Kitty Eiden
KITTY EIDEN, Minutes Clerk