

**CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
Regular Meeting of Thursday, January 12, 2023
City Hall Council Chambers
6360 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights, CA**

CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Schaefer.

1. The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Middleton.
2. Roll Call: Council Members present: Karpinski-Costa, Lopez-Taff, Middleton, Daniels, Schaefer
Council Members absent: None
Staff present: Feeney, Jones, Poole, Reid, Turcotte, Van and department directors.
3. The video statement was read by City Clerk Van.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: On a motion by Vice Mayor Daniels, seconded by Council Member Middleton, the City Council approved the agenda.

AYES: Karpinski-Costa, Lopez-Taff, Middleton, Daniels, Schaefer
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

PRESENTATIONS

4. Recognition of Outgoing Mayor

Mayor Schaefer presented Council Member Middleton with a plaque in recognition of her service as Mayor in 2022.

5. Presentation by Republic Services – Poster Contest Awards

Brandon Calldewei with Republic Services recognized the following student winners who submitted artwork for the annual Republic Services Calendar in partnership with the San Juan Unified School District and Citrus Heights schools: Romina O., Sarahi R., Graycee K., Teryn C., Milana S., Alessandra A., Alzaliah W., Anastasiia R., Anna B., Jocelyn M., Antoinette V., and Milana L.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND REGIONAL BOARD UPDATES

Vice Mayor Daniels provided an update from the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District and Sacramento Area Sewer District Board meeting. He stated that he, along with Mayor Schaefer, met with the Sacramento County Voter Registration and Elections Department.

Mayor Schaefer provided an update from the Sacramento Library Board meeting. He commented on the meeting with the Sacramento County Voter Registration and Elections Department he attended along with Vice Mayor Daniels. He thanked General Services Department staff for their response during the recent storms.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rhett Reess expressed concerns regarding the need to repave San Juan Avenue between Madison Avenue and Greenback Lane, as well as Dewey Drive between Madison Avenue and Greenback Lane.

Bill Shirly stated the City Council has the responsibility and the authority to nominate candidates to serve on the Planning Commission. This should not be taken lightly. Your decisions should not be based on political motives, political favors, 'what is best for me', friendships or close working associates. Your decision tonight should be based on who can best serve the City, the Council and the Planning Commission. He urged the City Council to consider their nominees carefully and vote for what is best for Citrus Heights.

Natalee Price, President of Neighborhood Association Area 10, shared a brief video highlighting the Association's partnership with Meels-on-Wheels to deliver shelf stable food, warm blankets and necessities to senior residents in need.

Albert Fox spoke as a member of the Citrus Heights Police Department Foundation and on behalf of the Police Department Honor Guard. He stated the Honor Guard represents the City and Police Department at several functions, from celebrations to memorials. To support the Honor Guard, he announced they now have a Challenge Coin that has been made for use as a fundraiser; they are \$20 each to support the Police Department Honor Guard.

Karen DeMarco expressed concerns regarding the current state of the Antelope Road corridor, between Interstate 80 and Sunrise Boulevard, including traffic noise, speed, drainage, garbage, weeds and debris.

John Kane urged the City to begin looking at the possibility of creating our own school district.

City Clerk Van read the following comment submitted by Peter Ho, "My Citrus Heights home has been Health Safety Receivership for 20 months, since April 2021. The Receivership was obtained unlawfully, and abusively. I want to address the council so they are aware of the situation and criminal misconduct I have been up against. I want to save my home, and not lose it unjustly and abusively due to unreasonable unlawful crimes committed against me.. Looking for further discussion, assistance, and resolutuion, to end wrongful receivership caused by abusive characters."

CONSENT CALENDAR

6. **SUBJECT:** Approval of Minutes
RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 8, 2022
7. **SUBJECT:** Approve Resolution for Continued Remote Meetings in Accordance with AB 361
STAFF REPORT: A. Van / R. Jones
RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 2023-001, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights, California, Making the Legally Required Findings to Continue to Authorize the Conduct of Remote "Telephonic" Meetings During the State of Emergency

8. Pulled for discussion.

9. **SUBJECT:** Amendments to the City Council Handbook

STAFF REPORT: A. Van

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 2023-006, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights, California, Approving Amendments to the City of Citrus Heights City Council Handbook

ACTION: On a motion by Vice Mayor Daniels, seconded by Council Member Middleton, the City Council adopted Consent Calendar Items 6, 7 and 9.

AYES: Karpinski-Costa, Lopez-Taff, Middleton, Daniels, Schaefer

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

8. **SUBJECT:** Appointments to Regional Boards and Committees

STAFF REPORT: A. Van

RECOMMENDATION: The following is recommended;

- a. Adopt Resolution No. 2023-002, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights, California, Appointing a Citrus Heights Member to Serve as the Representative on the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) Board of Directors, and Appointing a Member to Serve as the Alternate
- b. Adopt Resolution No. 2023-003, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights, California, Appointing a Citrus Heights Member to Serve as the Representative on the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (SRCSD) and Sacramento Area Sewer District (SASD) Board of Directors, and Appointing a Member to Serve as the Alternate
- c. Adopt Resolution No. 2023-004, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights, California, Appointing a Citrus Heights Member to Serve as the Representative on the Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA), and Appointing a Member to Serve as the Alternate
- d. Adopt Resolution No. 2023-005, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights, California, Appointing a Citrus Heights Member to Serve as a Director to the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) Board of Directors, and Appointing a Member to Serve as the Alternate

Vice Mayor Daniels pulled Item 8 and requested the City Clerk read the City Council appointments to the Regional Boards and Commissions.

Regional Boards and Commissions

Sacramento Metropolitan Cable Television
Commission

Porsche Middleton
MariJane Lopez-Taff (Alternate)

Sacramento Public Library Authority	MariJane Lopez-Taff Porsche Middleton (Alternate)
Sacramento Area Sewer District	Jayna Karpinski-Costa Bret Daniels (Alternate)
Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District	Bret Daniels Jayna Karpinski-Costa (Alternate)
Sacramento Transportation Authority	Jayna Karpinski-Costa Bret Daniels (Alternate)
Sacramento Area Council of Governments	Tim Schaefer Porsche Middleton (Alternate)
Regional Transit	Bret Daniels Tim Schaefer (Alternate)
Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District	Bret Daniels Porsche Middleton (Alternate)
Sacramento Steps Forward Homeless Policy Council	MariJane Lopez-Taff Porsche Middleton (Alternate)

Liaisons to Local Entities

Education & Community Programs	Bret Daniels MariJane Lopez-Taff
Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District	MariJane Lopez-Taff Porsche Middleton
Sunrise MarketPlace	Bret Daniels MariJane Lopez-Taff

Council Ad Hoc Subcommittees

Finance & Administration	Bret Daniels Jayna Karpinski-Costa
Quality of Life	Tim Schaefer Jayna Karpinski-Costa

ACTION: On a motion by Vice Mayor Daniels, seconded by Council Member Lopez-Taff, the City Council adopted Consent Calendar Item 8.

AYES: Karpinski-Costa, Lopez-Taff, Middleton, Daniels, Schaefer
NOES: None

ABSENT: None

REGULAR CALENDAR

10. **SUBJECT:** City Board and Commission Appointments

STAFF REPORT: A. Van / H. Reid-Hildebrand

RECOMMENDATION: The following is recommended:

- a. Council Members MariJane Lopez-Taff, Jayna Karpinski-Costa, and Porsche Middleton Nominate One Regular Member to Serve on the Planning Commission
- b. Vice Mayor Daniels Nominate One Regular Member to Fill the Unexpired Term on the Planning Commission
- c. The City Council, by Majority Vote, Appoint Individuals for the Remaining At-Large Appointments to the Planning Commission and Construction Board of Appeals

Management Analyst II Reid-Hildebrand presented the staff report.

Public Comment

Steve Durham introduced himself to the Council and provided an overview of his experience and feels he could help the City as a Planning Commissioner.

ACTION: On a motion by Council Member Lopez-Taff, seconded by Vice Mayor Daniels, the City Council ratified Council Member Lopez-Taff's nomination of Marcelle Flowers to serve on the Planning Commission for the term on January 12, 2023 to December 31, 2026.

AYES: Karpinski-Costa, Lopez-Taff, Middleton, Daniels, Schaefer
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

ACTION: On a motion by Council Member Karpinski-Costa, seconded by Vice Mayor Daniels, the City Council ratified Council Member Karpinski-Costa's nomination of Natalee Price to serve on the Planning Commission for the term on January 12, 2023 to December 31, 2026.

AYES: Karpinski-Costa, Lopez-Taff, Middleton, Daniels, Schaefer
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

ACTION: On a motion by Council Member Middleton, seconded by Vice Mayor Daniels, the City Council ratified Council Member Middleton's nomination of Andrew Van Duker to serve on the Planning Commission for the term on January 12, 2023 to December 31, 2026.

AYES: Karpinski-Costa, Lopez-Taff, Middleton, Daniels, Schaefer
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

ACTION: On a motion by Vice Mayor Daniels, seconded by Mayor Schaefer, the City Council ratified Vice Mayor Daniels' nomination of James Remick to serve on the Planning Commission to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2024.

AYES: Karpinski-Costa, Lopez-Taff, Middleton, Daniels, Schaefer
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

ACTION: On a motion by Vice Mayor Daniels, seconded by Mayor Schaefer, the City Council appointed Max Semenenko and Oleg Shishko as at-large members of the Planning Commission for the term of January 12, 2023 to December 31, 2024.

AYES: Karpinski-Costa, Lopez-Taff, Middleton, Daniels, Schaefer
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

ACTION: On a motion by Vice Mayor Daniels, seconded by Council Member Middleton, the City Council appointed Lance Gartner and Manuel Perez-Salazar to the Construction Board of Appeals for the term of January 12, 2023 to December 31, 2026.

AYES: Karpinski-Costa, Lopez-Taff, Middleton, Daniels, Schaefer
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

11. **SUBJECT:** Presentation by San Juan Unified School District Regarding Safe Schools
PRESENTER: SJUSD Director Mike Jones

Mike Jones with the San Juan Unified School District provided an overview of the Safe Schools Program dedicated to improving campus safety and fostering an educational environment where students can learn, explore and succeed academically. The District employs Community Safety Specialists that have expertise in items such as school emergency response procedures, critical incident management and communication, crisis communication and de-escalation skills, behavior threat assessment, therapeutic crisis intervention, school vulnerability and safety assessment, and mandated reporter requirements. The District has conducted a Site Safety and Vulnerability Study at each of their schools focusing on four primary areas: school and surrounding community crime statistics; school campus physical security and vulnerability; safety planning, training and existing practices; and school culture and environment.

City Council questions and comments followed.

12. **SUBJECT:** Police Officers Assigned to Schools Discussion
STAFF: A. Turcotte/ C. Burnett
RECOMMENDATION: Receive Staff Presentation and Provide Further Direction if Needed

Police Chief Turcotte stated the City Council asked staff to conduct an initial analysis to see what it would potentially cost to place an armed police officer at each Citrus Heights school within the San Juan Unified School District. He provided an informational update and stated no action is required. Based on the initial analysis the program would require the addition of approximately 15 employees that would include police

officers, supervisors and administrative support. The fiscal impact is approximately \$1.8 million to stand up the equipment and materials and then an ongoing cost of \$2.58 million for annual operating costs.

City Council questions and comments followed.

Vice Mayor Daniels suggested the Council move forward with examining funding sources if we decide to move forward with this.

Council Member Karpinski-Costa stated she disagrees and said she is not sure we need to look at budgeting money. She stated the District needs to look at fixing up the security of their campuses.

Council Member Lopez-Taff stated it sounds like the Police Department has a great partnership with the District's Safe Schools and is not inclined to continue looking at what we can do to find money because the District has such an effort already underway.

Mayor Schaefer stated he believes in being more proactive in having too much security than not enough.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

None

CITY MANAGER ITEMS

City Manager Feeney provided an overview of the 2022/23 storm response that included 460 service requests made to the General Services Department over a two-week period to address downed or damaged trees, street flooding/clogged drains, downed lines, and debris in the road. He commended the General Services Department staff for their response to storm.

ITEMS REQUESTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS/ FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Schaefer requested a future agenda item to waive the fee for the rental of the Community Center for a future Residents Empowerment Association of Citrus Heights (REACH) potluck. Council Member Karpinski-Costa supported the request to add to a future agenda.

Mayor Schaefer requested a future agenda item to form a committee to examine Citrus Heights' own school district and would like to call this committee the Citrus Heights Education Committee. Vice Mayor Daniels supported the request to add to a future agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schaefer adjourned the regular meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Amy Van, City Clerk