

City Council

Agenda Preview

January 6, 2015

- ▶ **Presentations**
 - ▶ Item 4: Introduction of New Employee – William (“Bill”) Barry
 - ▶ The City welcomes Bill Barry as the new Senior Recreation Coordinator. Bill will be responsible for establishing adult sports programs, assisting with field allocations and community events, and overseeing recreation classes.
- ▶ **Ceremonial Items**
 - ▶ Item 5: Comments by New Mayor
 - ▶ The City’s longstanding practice is to provide the new Mayor a comment period to remark on the upcoming term of office.
- ▶ **Consent Calendar**
 - ▶ Item 6: Certification of Warrant Register
 - ▶ City Council reviews and approves payment of City invoices. City invoices totaled approximately \$3.12 million for the time period reviewed.
 - ▶ Item 7: Waive Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions
 - ▶ To save time, the City Clerk will read only the titles of any Ordinances and Resolutions on the public agenda.
 - ▶ Item 8: Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council Held on December 2, 2014
 - ▶ Item 9: Audit Reports – Year Ended June 30, 2014
 - ▶ The City’s auditor, White Nelson Diehl Evans, prepared the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report/Report on Internal Control, Lake Forest Housing Authority Report/Report on Internal Control, GANN Limit Report, Single Audit Report, Government Auditing Standards Report, and a Summary of Audit Results Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2014. No significant audit findings, difficulties or adjustments were noted in the Summary of Audit Results Report, and all audits were in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles promulgated by the Government Accounting Standards Board.
 - ▶ Item 10: Carryover Revenues and Appropriations
 - ▶ The Council will consider a resolution to adjust the FY 2014-15 Operating Budget and the FY 2013-15 Capital Improvement Projects Budget by carrying over \$12,116,019.
 - ▶ Item 11: First Amendment to the Lake Forest Golf Center Lease
 - ▶ With the City’s Lease Agreement with American Golf expiring on January 30, 2015, the City Council may approve an amendment to the Lease Agreement to extend the lease for the next ten years and ensuring that the facility continues operating as a public golf course. The proposed amendment also includes new maintenance standards, Best Management Practices that protect Aliso Creek, and provisions that create new community programming opportunities with the City’s Community Services Department.

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► **Discussion**

- ▶ Item 12: Contract Award for Tree Management Services
 - ▶ City Council may award a \$259,995 contract to Great Scott Tree Service (GSTS) for tree management services. The company would be responsible for tree pruning/removal/planting/staking, emergency response, and preparing various arborist inspections and reports. Staff has also addressed Council's concerns associated with potential vendor confusion, low number of bids, and difficulty establishing fair and reasonable bids in the report. The Council will have the option to (1) award a contract for six months and direct staff to re-bid the project or (2) reject all bids and direct staff to re-bid the project.
- ▶ Item 13: Resolution in Support of Proposition 13
 - ▶ City Council may adopt a resolution in support of California's Proposition 13 to reaffirm the Council's continued support of this initiative. Proposition 13 immediately decreased tax rates on homes and also capped future rate increases.
- ▶ Item 14: Consideration of the Commissioner Selection Process
 - ▶ City Council will discuss or revise the selection process for Planning Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission members. Currently, the City is recruiting for three Parks and Recreation Commissioners and four Planning Commissioners. Over time, the selection process has changed from a simple application to a comprehensive review procedure. To streamline the appointment of Commissioners and apply a more "applicant-friendly" practice, the Council may consider (1) eliminating components of comprehensive packet; (2) eliminating application packet altogether; (3) eliminating the applicant's three-minute public comment period; (4) eliminating the sequestered interview; (5) asking questions only when necessary for clarifying information; and (6) eliminating the interview completely.
- ▶ Item 15: Discussion Regarding Wildlife Ordinance
 - ▶ City Council will continue discussions regarding a potential Wildlife Ordinance prohibiting the feeding of wildlife in all public parks, and may provide further direction as appropriate. In November 2013, the Council raised a number of concerns. Since that time, staff has worked with the community to finalize the Conceptual Plan for Village Pond Park based on feedback from the community and has also been engaged in ongoing discussions with representatives of Lake Forest I Homeowner's Association to clarify provisions of the existing agreement relating to the pond.

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► **Discussion (continued)**

- ▶ Item 16: Method and Practice for Council-Initiated Items Being Placed on the Agenda
 - ▶ City Council will discuss the policy for Council-initiated items being placed on future Council agendas. The policy was last amended on December 18, 2012 with Council concurrence as being achieved with the assent of two Members for the sole purpose of placing items on future agendas.
- ▶ Item 17: Annual City Council Appointments to Boards, Commissions, Committees and Agencies
 - ▶ Council will make appointments to various boards and agencies and may adopt a resolution designating and appointment a representative and alternate to the Orange County Fire Authority's Board of Directors. In addition, the Council may approve the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) Form 806 and authorize the City Clerk to post the form on the City's website in order for Council Members to participate in a City Council vote that would result in him or her serving in a position that provides compensation of \$250 or more in any 12-month period.