



4: 30 PM - CLOSED SESSION — ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

An Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order by Mayor Brand on October 10, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

B. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Nehrenheim, Kaluderovic, Obaji, Behrendt, Mayor Brand

Councilmembers Absent: Loewenstein

Officials Present: Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Joyce Ford, City Attorney's Office
Lucie Colombo, Chief Deputy City Clerk
Melissa Villa, Analyst

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION

The Flag salute was led by Mayor Brand.

D. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS - ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

Administrative Specialist Diaz announced that there was a Blue Folder Item relating to the following: F.1 - Public Comments.

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Obaji, to Receive and File this item as presented, and approved by voice vote.

There being no one wishing to speak.

Motion carried, 4-0-1. Mayor Pro Tem Lowenstein was absent.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

E.1 APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 10, 2023.

F. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Brand called for public comment.

There were no E-comments, Zoom speakers, and in-person members of the public wishing to speak at this time.

Mayor Brand closed the public comment.

G. CLOSED SESSION

- G.1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR** -The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Section 54956.8.

AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:

Mike Witzansky, City Manager

Greg Kapovich, Waterfront & Economic Development Director

PROPERTY:

207 N. Harbor Drive Redondo Beach, CA 90277

(a portion of APN: 7503-035-915)

NEGOTIATING PARTIES:

R10 - George Loren

Karahi Boys restaurant - Jafer Rashid

San Pedro Fish Market - Al Deweck

UNDER NEGOTIATION:

Price and Terms

- G.2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR** -The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Section 54956.8.

AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:

Mike Witzansky, City Manager

Greg Kapovich, Waterfront & Economic Development Director

PROPERTY:

203 and 240 Fisherman's Wharf, Redondo Beach, CA 90277

(a portion of APN: 7505-002-913)

NEGOTIATING PARTIES:

Concord Real Estate Management - Pier Plaza Office

UNDER NEGOTIATION:

Lease Status, Price, and Terms

- G.3.** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL AND LABOR NEGOTIATOR - The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Sec. 54957.6.

AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:

Mike Witzansky, City Manager

Diane Strickfaden, Director of Human Resources

EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS:

Redondo Beach Professional and Supervisory Association, Redondo Beach City Employees Association, Teamsters, and Management & Confidential Employees

- G.4.** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED POTENTIAL LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4).

One potential case

- G.5.** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:

City of Redondo Beach, et al. v. California State Water Resources Control Board

Case Number: 20STCP03193

- G.6.** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:

New Commune DTLA, LLC and Leonid Pustilnikov v. City of Redondo Beach and City Council of the City of Redondo Beach

Case Number: 22TRCP00203

- G.7.** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:

New Commune DTLA, LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development, et al.

Case Number: 23STCP00426

- G.8.** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:

New Commune DTLA LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive

Case Number: 23STCV10146

- G.9.** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:

9300 Wilshire, LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive

Case Number: 23STCP02189

- G.10.** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:

Yes in My Back Yard, a California nonprofit corporation; SONJA TRAUSS, an individual v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development, and DOES 1 through 25 inclusive

Case Number: 23TRCP00325

- G.11.** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:

In re 9300 Wilshire LLC
Bankruptcy C.D. Cal.

Case Number: 2:23-bk-10918-ER

G.12. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:

City of Redondo Beach, a California Charter City; City of Carson, a California Charter City; City of Torrance, a California Charter City; City of Whittier, a California Charter City; City of Del Mar, a California Charter City v. Rob Bonta, in his official capacity as California Attorney General, State of California; and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive

Case Number: 22STCP01143

G.13. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:

City of Whittier, et al v. Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles, et al.

Case Number: 23STCP03579

Analyst Villa announced items to be discussed in Closed Session.

City Manager Witzansky announced who would be attending the various Closed Session items. City Manager Mike Witzansky and City Attorney Mike Webb (via teleconference), Assistant City Attorney Cheryl Park, and City Attorney Joy Ford will be present to discuss Closed Session Agenda Items G.1 thru G. 13. He announced that Waterfront and Economic Development Director Kapovich and Brian Campbell, Leasing Agents, will address G.1 and G.2. Director of Human Resources Strickfaden will be included in G.3; Abby O'Bryant, Counsel, Jon Welner and Antony Nash, will be in discussions regarding G.4 thru G.11; and G.13 will include Chief of Police Hoffman.

Motion by Councilmember Councilmember Obaji, seconded by Councilmember Kaluderovi, and approved by voice vote to recess to Closed Session.

Motion carried, 4-0-1. Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein was absent.

RECESSED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 4:38 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein joined and attended Closed Session via teleconference.

Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein left Closed Session and the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

H. RECONVENED TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:40 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Councilmember Obaji, seconded by Councilmember Nerenheim, and approved by voice vote to reconvene from Closed Session at 7:40 p.m.

Motion carried, 4-0-1. Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein was absent.

I. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Nehrenheim, Kaluderovic, Obaji, Behrendt, Mayor Brand

Councilmembers Absent: Loewenstein

Officials Present: Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk
Joyce Ford, City Attorney's Office
Lucie Colombo, Chief Deputy City Clerk

J. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

City Manager Witzansky made the following Closed Session announcements:

Mayor Pro Tem Lowenstein participated via Zoom in Closed Session.

There were no reportable actions to be disclosed from Closed Session.

K. CITY MANAGER ITEMS - NONE

L. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REFERRALS TO STAFF

Councilmember Nehrenheim inquired and followed up about a CIP item to be presented to the City Council regarding include prioritization and status of projects. City Manager Witzansky responded that the item will be presented to the City Council at the meeting on November 7, 2023.

Motion by Councilmember Obaji, seconded by Councilmember Kaluderovic to add an item for discussion about a potential 4/5th vote, if required, regarding appropriating and reallocating funds for lobbying activities relative to Metro – Hawthorne alignment project.

Councilmember Behrendt recused himself at 7:43 p.m., due to a potential conflict of interest, regarding this matter as it related to Metro.

For clarification of this request, City Manager Witzansky stated that a 4/5ths vote may not be required, as the discussion may be about how to allocate and use the budgeted funds. The City Manager was given discretion to determine when it will be appropriate to present this item.

Councilmember Behrendt recused himself at 7:43 p.m., due to a potential conflict of interest, regarding Metro.

Motion by Councilmember Obaji, seconded by Councilmember Kaluderovic, and approved by voice vote to add the agenda item to a City Council agenda.

There was no further discussion.

Motion carried, 4-0-1-1. Councilmember Behrendt was recused. Councilmember Loewenstein was absent.

M. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Motion by Councilmember Obaji, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. to the next meeting of the City Council of the City of Redondo Beach to be held on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, in the Redondo Beach City Hall Council Chamber, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California. There being no objections, Mayor Brand so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor Manzano, CMC
City Clerk