

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BUENA PARK CITY COUNCIL
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CALL TO ORDER

The City Council met in a special meeting on Tuesday, April 20, 2020, at 9:05 a.m., in the Council Chamber of the Civic Center, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California, Mayor Smith presiding.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Brown (teleconference), Park (teleconference), Swift (teleconference),
Traut (teleconference), Smith

ABSENT: None

Also present were: Jim Vanderpool, City Manager (teleconference); Chris Cardinale, City Attorney (teleconference); and Adria M. Jimenez, MMC, City Clerk (teleconference).

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Smith announced the public may at this time address the members of the City Council on any matters within the jurisdiction of the City Council. There being none, Mayor Smith closed oral communications.

NEW BUSINESS (1)

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER THE CALIFORNIA DISASTER ASSISTANCE ACT (CDAA) FOR REPOSE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC
Presented by: Police Department

Purpose: Authorize the City to apply for and accept from the State of California partial reimbursement for eligible response costs related to the COVID-19 pandemic. There is no budget impact associated with this action.

Recommended Action: 1) Adopt the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services' (CalOES) resolution designating the City Manager, Assistant City Manager and Finance Director as authorized agents for the City to sign documents and provide information to the CalOES for the purposes of obtaining funds under the CDAA to partially reimburse the City for response expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Emergency Services Coordinator Charnes summarized the staff report noting in Governor Newsom's state of emergency proclamation, the Governor stated, "The Office of Emergency Services shall provide assistance to local governments that have demonstrated extraordinary or disproportionate impacts from COVID-19, if appropriate and necessary, under the authority of the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA), Government Code section 8680 et. seq., and California Code of Regulations, Title 19, section 2900 et. seq."

Until April 15, CalOES had advised local governments that CDAA assistance had not yet been approved and that local governments could not yet apply for relief. On April 15, CalOES identified the language in the Governor's emergency proclamation and advised local governments to apply for CDAA assistance as soon as possible.

With the March 22, 2020, Presidential Declaration of Major Disaster (FEMA-4482-DR-CA), the primary channel for the reimbursement of eligible response costs runs through FEMA as set out in the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"). Local governments can use Stafford Act funds as reimbursement for eligible expenditures relating to the response to or recovery from a declared disaster.

With City Council's approval of Cal OES Form 130, Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution for Non-state Agencies, the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and Finance Director are authorized to sign applications and other required forms for reimbursements.

MOTION: Brown
SECOND: Park
AYES: Brown, Park, Swift, Traut, Smith
NOES: None

MOTION CARRIED to approve the recommended action.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Vanderpool reported that he has been in communications with Orange County CEO Kim regarding housing options for homeless residents. Currently, there are sites identified in Stanton and Fountain Valley, and Laguna Hills is currently in litigation. CEO Kim is reaching out to Buena Park for assistance at the next level which would be placing families who may be living in one bedroom apartments, or persons just released from a hospital, in a motel/hotel room to quarantine for two weeks. City Manager Vanderpool requested that the County allow the City to be part of this conversation and decision, and/or provide the City with a courtesy notification.

Council Members and staff have been receiving a few inquiries regarding Los Coyotes Golf Course reopening. Los Coyotes sent out a notification stating the golf course would open Friday, April 17. To this date, staff's recommendation has been to follow the directives of state and county officials; to date Orange County has not directed the closure of golf courses. Council Members may calendar a request to discuss this item for next week's agenda if desired.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:18 a.m.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk