



ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes

September 20, 2022 7:02 PM – 8:54 PM (Virtual Meeting)

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<https://youtu.be/jHABc73ZPJ0>

1.0 CALL TO ORDER 7:02pm

1.1 Flag Salute was led by Eliot Arts Magnet ASB Rep Yasmine Gaida

1.2 Councilmember Wong called role. Attending - Victoria Knapp, Nic Arnzen, Billy Malone, Dorothy Wong, Veronica Jones, Chris O'Malley, Dr. Sandra Thomas, Alan Peck, Doug Colliflower, Reginald Wilkins, Diane Marcussen, Sylvia Vega. Councilmembers Amy Lyford and Darrell Aranda were excused. Councilmember Hannah Petrie was not present. Moved forward with a quorum.

1.3 Vice Chair Knapp made motion to approve September 20, 2022 meeting Agenda with the following changes; Senator Portantino moved to item 2, and Officer's Reports shifted to 3. No CHP report, No ACCAB report. Under committee reports 6.3 is changed to Education and Election shifted to 6.4. Motion Approved unanimously.

2.0 OFFICERS' REPORTS

2.1 Chair Veronica Jones showed appreciation to her fellow Councilmembers and team.

2.2 Vice Chair Victoria Knapp reported on the 10th anniversary and return of National Voter Registration Day. Reminded Hispanic Heritage month is celebrated September 15- October 15. Also noted IT professionals day.

2.3 Recording Secretary Nic Arnzen motioned to approve August 16th, 2022 Minutes. Approved unanimously with one abstention by Councilmember Diane Marcussen.

2.4 Treasurer Chris O'Malley reported the August/September bank balance was \$924.55. Deducted expenses of \$13.99 deduction for website fee with GoDaddy.com, \$12 bank fee. The current balance is \$898.56.

2.5 Corresponding Secretary Wong made special announcements that can be seen on the ATC website.

3.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Senate District 25 Update by State Senator Anthony Portantino. Update can be viewed on YouTube.

4.0 PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

4.1 California Highway Patrol Officer Bay and Boyd were not able to report.

4.2 Altadena Sheriff's Station Captain Jabari Williams introduced new Operations Lieutenant Dian Battee. Reported crime up slightly in assaults, down 1% in property crimes, vehicle crimes up. Continued increase in vehicle thefts on hiking trails. Peak between 9am and 12pm. Chaney Trail in particular.

Shooting at Fair Oaks Burger. No bystanders hit, shooting was in parking lot car to car. Shooters fled, no word on injuries nothing reported at area hospitals.

Oct 1st Pancake Breakfast. October 20th Drug take back day at station 9am-12pm.

4.3 L.A. County Fire Altadena spokesperson Maria Grycan reported 336 incidents, 286 medical, 212 transports, 7 traffic collisions, 3 fires.

5.0 COMMUNITY REPORTS

5.1 Altadena Library Director Nikki Winslow spoke of funding for Libraries restoration and development. Measure Z funding will start appearing on property taxes this fall. Bob Lucas design documents are up on Library website. Also highlighted upcoming events.

5.2 Parks and Rec representative Ryan Hicks reported on recent and upcoming events.

5.3 Dr. Sandra Thomas from Chamber of Commerce reported.

5.4 ACCAB report by Doug Colliflower was cancelled.

6.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 Land Use Committee Chair Diane Marcussen reported the committee is reviewing the first draft of "Land Use 101" document designed to help committee members navigate. Next month will include Historic Highland presentation seeking historical designation.

6.2 Safe Streets Committee Chair Dorothy Wong gave an update on committee meetings, work, and upcoming events. Meetings are 4th Thursdays at 7:00pm.

6.3 Education Chair Victoria Knapp reported on their first meeting scheduled for September 21st. They will also in partnership with Neighbors Building a Better Altadena (NBBA) Oct 19th 6:30-8:30pm. Location TBA

6.4 Communication Committee Chair reviewed the first year of Committee work.

6.5 Election Chair Sylvia Vega reported on upcoming General Election coming in November. Call for candidates for general election continue and deadline October 7th at 5pm. Information be found on Town Council website.

6.5.1 Chair Vega oversaw Special Election to fill vacant seat in census tract 4611

6.5.1a Statements were heard from candidates ViEvyette Stewart-Gordon, Pat Sutherlen, and Otis Triplett followed by open questions from Council.

6.5.1b Vote was held and Pat Sutherlen received majority of votes

6.5.1c Captain Williams swore new Councilmember Sutherlen in.

7.0 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Azita Malanian spoke of upcoming Dance For Hope America event coming up on October 22nd at 7pm at the William Davies building in Farnsworth Park.

ViEvyette Stewart-Gordon spoke of a desire to provide handout with resources for the unhoused.

8.0 CENSUS TRACT REPORTS

8.1 4603.01 Councilmember Dorothy Wong reported Dabney Street street sweeping will be Thursday mornings. Temporary sidewalk extension project at Loma Alta is being removed -future meeting will be scheduled to give public an opportunity to give comment on this project. Meadows community experienced back to back days of power outages during heat wave. SCE provided cooling centers and outage kits.

8.2 4613 Councilmember Diane Marcussen reported on upcoming remove and replace project along Washington Blvd. and Altadena Drive. There will be community meetings scheduled soon and project is slated for May of 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Jones called for adjournment at 8:54pm