

**CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS CALIFORNIA  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
February 4, 2014  
2:00 P.M.**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hack called the Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Laguna Woods to order at 2:00 p.m.

**II. FLAG SALUTE**

Councilmember Hatch led the flag salute.

**III. ROLL CALL**

COUNCILMEMBERS:       PRESENT:   Dvorak, Hatch, Ring, Conners, Hack  
                                  ABSENT:   None

STAFF PRESENT:        City Manager Macon; City Attorney Cosgrove; Assistant City  
                                  Manager Reilly; Planning Manager Kurnow; Deputy City Clerk  
                                  Donohue

**IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

City Attorney Cosgrove requested that the City Council add an item to the agenda pursuant to California Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2) under closed session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2). The need to take action on this item arose after a request by Southern California Edison to undertake certain roadway construction work that raises potential exposure to litigation.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Conners, seconded by Councilmember Dvorak, and carried unanimously to add the closed session item as requested by the City Attorney.

**4.1 General Plan Housing Element Update**

City Manager Macon summarized the agenda report and noted that the City is required to adopt a housing element in accordance with state law.

The public hearing was opened.

There being no requests to speak, the public hearing was closed.

City Manager Macon stated that the proposed resolution needs to be amended to include, "adopt and approve the Negative Declaration" in section 5 following, "Based on the

findings herein, the City Council does hereby.”

Mayor Hack asked if the City has met all of the obligations required to adopt the new Housing Element.

City Manager Macon answered affirmatively.

Mayor Pro Tem Connors asked if the Regional Housing Needs Assessment requirements would be met, if someone were to convert two units instead of building two new units.

City Manager Macon responded that it would not.

Planning Manager Kurnow stated that in accordance with state law, the City has to identify locations where new housing can be built.

Councilmember Hatch asked if the City would authorize building permits to builders that did not intend on constructing units to meet the Regional Housing Needs Assessment.

City Attorney Cosgrove stated that the City cannot force the inclusion of the low-income units, but that there are programs that can provide incentives.

City Manager Macon stated that the Housing Element is meant to provide opportunity for housing development.

Councilmember Ring noted that the land now occupied by Laguna Woods Village Garden Center 1 is zoned for housing.

Councilmember Dvorak asked if the City would need to make a zoning change related to the change in the Regional Housing Needs Assessment.

City Manager Macon stated that the zoning on the property establishes housing density and that the density allows for more than two units to be built, so no change is required.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Connors, seconded by Councilmember Ring, and carried unanimously to approve a resolution amending the General Plan Housing Element, as amended, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE LAGUNA WOODS GENERAL PLAN TO UPDATE THE HOUSING ELEMENT FOR THE 2014-2021 PERIOD

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None**

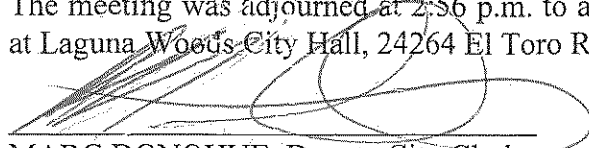
**VI. CLOSED SESSION**

- 6.1 The City Council met in closed session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning a request by Southern California Edison to undertake certain roadway construction work that raises potential exposure to litigation.

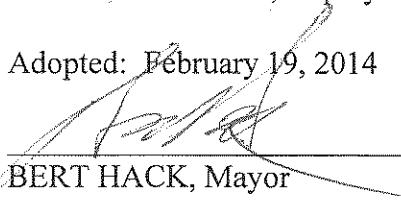
The City Council reconvened in open session at 2:55 p.m. City Attorney Cosgrove advised that there was no reportable action under Government Code Section 54957.1.

## VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:56 p.m. to a regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. on February 19, 2014 at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.

  
MARC DONOHUE, Deputy City Clerk

Adopted: February 19, 2014

  
BERT HACK, Mayor