

**CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS CALIFORNIA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
June 18, 2025
2:00 P.M.
Laguna Woods City Hall
24264 El Toro Road
Laguna Woods, California 92637**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Horne called the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Laguna Woods to order at 2:02 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER: PRESENT: Lee, Moore, McCary, Horne
 ABSENT: Conners

All councilmembers participated in-person at the meeting location.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Macon, City Attorney Patterson, City Clerk Trippy

All staff participated in-person at the meeting location.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem McCary led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND CEREMONIAL MATTERS

4.1 Elder Abuse Awareness Month – June 2025

City Clerk Trippy read the proclamation.

Councilmembers made comments.

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McCary, and carried on a 4-0 vote with Councilmember Conners absent, to approve and present the proclamation.

4.2 Gun Violence Awareness Month – June 2025

City Clerk Trippy read the proclamation.

Councilmembers made comments.

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McCary, and carried on a 4-0 vote with Councilmember Connors absent, to approve and present the proclamation.

4.3 Pride Month – June 2025

City Clerk Trippy read the proclamation.

Larry Delira, Rainbow Club of Laguna Woods Village, made comments.

Councilmembers made comments.

Mr. Delira made comments.

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McCary, and carried on a 4-0 vote with Councilmember Connors absent, to approve and present the proclamation.

4.4 Orange County Fire Authority Medal of Valor; Airport Fire Rescue – Mike Summers, Division Chief
(agendized by Mayor Horne)

City Clerk Trippy read the commendation.

Mayor Horne shared a video highlighting Division Chief Summers' recognition.

Division Chief Summers made comments.

Councilmembers made comments.

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McCary, and carried on a 4-0 with Councilmember Connors absent, to approve and present the commendation.

Mayor Horne called for a brief recess to take photographs.

The meeting was called back to order at 2:31 p.m.

4.5 Laguna Canyon Foundation Presentation – Scott Thomas, Executive Director
(agendized by Mayor Pro Tem McCary)

Scott Thomas, Executive Director, Laguna Canyon Foundation, made a presentation.

Councilmembers made comments and Mr. Thomas responded to questions.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Vicki Johnson, resident, commented on recent ICE raids and asked the City Council to direct staff to provide immigration rights resources and educate Laguna Woods Village gate ambassadors

regarding potential ICE entries. Ms. Johnson also asked the City Council to make personal statements on the subject and reverse the recent Jewish American Heritage Month proclamation.

Mayor Horne asked about noise in the Council Chambers.

City Manager Macon briefly responded to Mayor Horne's question.

VI. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT

6.1 City Treasurer's Report

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Vicki Johnson, resident, asked about the protection of monies invested in the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF).

Kathryn Freshley, resident, asked about the composition of the \$2,558,838 identified as "Earnings & Receipts" for the analyzed checking account.

City Manager Macon briefly responded to Ms. Johnson's and Ms. Freshley's comments.

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McCary, and carried on a 4-0 vote with Councilmember Connors absent, to receive and file the City Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2025.

VII. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McCary, and carried on a 4-0 vote with Councilmember Connors absent, to approve Consent Calendar items 7.1-7.7.

7.1 City Council Minutes

Approved the City Council meeting minutes for the regular meeting on May 21, 2025 and the adjourned regular meeting on May 28, 2025.

7.2 Payment Register

Approved the payment register dated June 18, 2025, in the amount of 968,569.10.

7.3 Fiscal Years 2023-25 Budget Adjustments

1. Adopted a resolution titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA
WOODS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING AND ADOPTING THE FISCAL
YEARS 2023-25 BUDGET AND WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR

2023-24 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024,
AND FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2024 AND
ENDING JUNE 30, 2025, INCREASING GENERAL FUND AND
SENIOR MOBILITY FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SENIOR
MOBILITY PROGRAM

AND

2. Adopted a resolution titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA
WOODS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING AND ADOPTING THE FISCAL
YEARS 2023-25 BUDGET AND WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR
2023-24 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024,
AND FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2024 AND
ENDING JUNE 30, 2025, INCREASING CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
APPROPRIATIONS TO RETURN (TRANSFER) UNSPENT FUNDS TO
THE GENERAL FUND AND UNASSIGNING THE UNSPENT FUNDS

7.4 As Needed Financial Consulting Services

1. Waived the provisions set forth in Laguna Woods Municipal Code Section 3.06.080(c) related to competitive bidding for an extension and amendment of the agreement with Irwin B. Bornstein.

AND

2. Approved an extension and amendment of the agreement with Irwin B. Borstein for as needed financial consulting services and authorized the City Manager to execute the extension and amendment, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

7.5 Building Plan Review and Certified Access Specialist (CASp) Services

1. Waived the provisions set forth in Laguna Woods Municipal Code Section 3.06.080(c) related to competitive bidding for an extension and amendment of the agreement with Bureau Veritas North America for building plan review and Certified Access Specialist (CASp) services.

AND

2. Approved an extension and amendment of the agreement with Bureau Veritas North America for building plan review Certified Access Specialist (CASp) services and authorized the City Manager to execute the extension and amendment, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

7.6 Code Enforcement Services

1. Waived the provisions set forth in Laguna Woods Municipal Code Section 3.06.080(c) related to competitive bidding for an extension and amendment of the agreement with Willdan Engineering for code enforcement services.

AND

2. Approved an extension and amendment of the agreement with Willdan Engineering for code enforcement services and authorized the City Manager to execute the extension, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

7.7 Informational Signage on Laguna Woods Village Trash Enclosures

1. Approved a memorandum of understanding with Third Laguna Hills Mutual to allow the City to install informational signage on trash enclosures on Third Laguna Hills Mutual property and authorized the Mayor to execute the memorandum of understanding, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

AND

2. Approved a memorandum of understanding with United Laguna Woods Mutual to allow the City to install informational signage on trash enclosures on United Laguna Woods Mutual property and authorized the Mayor to execute the memorandum of understanding, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

8.1 Status of Vacancies and Recruitment and Retention Efforts

Mayor Horne opened the public hearing.

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Kathryn Freshley, resident, asked about the recruitments for in-house building staff.

City Manager Macon briefly responded to Ms. Freshley's comments.

With no other requests to speak, the public hearing was closed.

IX. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

9.1 Fire Hazard Severity Zones

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Mike Raugh, resident, commented on wildfire risk in Laguna Woods.

Vicki Johnson, resident, asked about how the fire hazard severity zone map was prepared.

City Manager Macon briefly responded to Mr. Raugh's and Ms. Johnson's comments.

Kathryn Freshley, resident, made comments regarding wildfire risk in Laguna Woods and fire risk assessments conducted by insurance companies.

Councilmembers discussed the item.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem McCary, seconded by Councilmember Moore, and carried on a 4-0 vote with Councilmember Conners absent, to approve second reading and adopt an ordinance – read by title with further reading waived – titled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 10.13 OF THE LAGUNA WOODS MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES; DESIGNATING THE MODERATE, HIGH, AND VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES IN ITS JURISDICTION AS RECOMMENDED BY THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 51178; AND, DETERMINING AND CERTIFYING THAT THE ORDINANCE IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

9.2 Fiscal Years 2025-27 Budget and Work Plan & Fiscal Years 2025-36 Capital Improvement Program

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Vicki Johnson, resident, asked about how a recession might impact the City.

City Manager Macon briefly responded to Ms. Johnson's comments.

Councilmembers briefly responded to Ms. Johnson's comments.

Kathryn Freshley, resident, commented on the wealth of Laguna Woods residents.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff responded to questions.

X. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

10.1 Coastal Greenbelt Authority

Mayor Pro Tem McCary stated that there had not been a meeting since the last meeting.

10.2 Orange County Fire Authority

Mayor Horne provided a report, including a video.

10.3 Orange County Library Advisory Board

Councilmember Moore provided a report.

10.4 Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District

No report

10.5 San Joaquin Hills Transportation Corridor Agency

No report

10.6 South Orange County Watershed Management Area

No report

10.7 Liaisons to Community Bridge Builders

No report

10.8 Other Comments and Reports

- Orange County Fire Authority Best & Bravest Annual Awards Dinner – May 30, 2025

Mayor Horne, Mayor Pro Tem McCary, Councilmember Lee, and Councilmember Moore provided a report.

- League of California Cities (Cal Cities) Quarterly Orange County Division Meeting – June 12, 2025

Mayor Horne, Mayor Pro Tem McCary, and Councilmember Moore provided a report.

- Other Comments and Reports – None

XI. CLOSED SESSION – None

XII. CLOSED SESSION REPORT – None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

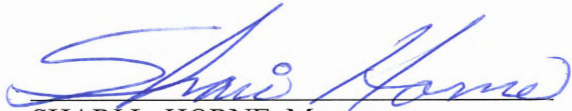
The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 p.m. The next adjourned regular meeting will be at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 25, 2025 at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods,

CA 92637. The next regular meeting will be at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 16, 2025 at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.



YOLIE TRIPPY, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: July 16, 2025



SHARI L. HORNE, Mayor