

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OF THE CITY OF BUENA PARK  
HELD JANUARY 9, 2024

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1. GENERAL

The City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber of the Civic Center, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California, Mayor Sonne presiding.

1A. CALL TO ORDER

1B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Brown, Castañeda, Traut, Ahn, Sonne  
ABSENT: None

Also present were: Aaron France, City Manager; Chris Cardinale, City Attorney; and, Adria M. Jimenez, MMC, Director of Government and Community Relations/City Clerk.

1C. INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Pastor Don Harbert, BPPD Chaplain and The Way Fellowship.

1D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Frank Nunes, Buena Park Police Chief.

1E. CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager France reported on the following:

- Elementary Art Show: "Out of This World," available for viewing in the Council Chamber. Judging will take place on Friday, January 26, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
- Wished Buena Park residents and businesses a Happy New Year

2. PRESENTATIONS

2A. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS TO THE 2023 HOLIDAY HOME DECORATING CONTEST WINNERS

Community Services Supervisor Saucedo presented the 2023 Holiday Home Decorating Contest Winners.

2B. KEY TO THE FOOD BANK AWARD PRESENTED TO THE CITY OF BUENA PARK

Malia Cary, Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County Government and Public Affairs Manager, presented a Key to the Food Bank Award to the City of Buena Park. Ms. Cary thanked the City Council and the residents for the continuous support in their mission.

2C. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING JANUARY 13, 2024, AS KOREAN-AMERICAN DAY

Mayor Pro Tem Ahn presented a proclamation to Korean American Federation of Orange County Chair Cho, and Korean American Chamber of Commerce of Orange County Chair Jim Koo.

Congresswoman Michelle Steel also provided a Certificate of Recognition regarding the recognition of Korean-American Day.

2D. INTRODUCTION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON GOVERNMENT RELATIONS  
MANAGER TONY CARDENAS

Southern California Edison (SCE) Government Relations Manager Tony Cardenas introduced himself to the City Council and the community, and encouraged residents to apply for the California Alternate Rates for Energy and Family Electric Rate Assistance programs SCE is offering.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

3A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Sonne announced the public may at this time address the members of the City Council on any matters within the jurisdiction of the City Council.

Lisa Shiba, Buena Park resident, spoke regarding a group of people loitering at the Courtyard by Marriott parking lot and nearby neighborhood.

There being no additional requests to speak, Mayor Sonne closed oral communications.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (4A – 4H)

Mayor Sonne announced that Consent Calendar Item Nos. 4A through 4H would be acted upon by one motion affirming the actions as recommended on the agenda and agenda bills submitted and inquired if anyone present desired to have any item removed for separate consideration. There being no requests for separate consideration, the following action was taken on Item Nos. 4A – 4H:

MOTION: Brown  
SECOND: Ahn  
AYES: Brown, Ahn, Castañeda, Traut, Sonne  
NOES: None

MOTION CARRIED that all actions recommended on Consent Calendar Item Nos. 4A – 4H be approved.

**Finance 75**

4A. RESOLUTIONS APPROVING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolutions approving Claims and Demands.

APPROVED the recommended action.

RESOLUTION NO. 14787

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BUENA PARK, CALIFORNIA,  
ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE SUM OF \$6,069,628.73 DEMAND  
NOS., 422311 THROUGH 422507 NO CANCELLED NOS

RESOLUTION NO. 14788

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BUENA PARK, CALIFORNIA,  
ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE SUM OF \$6,025.00 DEMAND NOS.,  
422508 THROUGH 422510 NO CANCELLED OR VOID NOS.

RESOLUTION NO. 14789

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BUENA PARK, CALIFORNIA,  
ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE SUM OF \$2,421,835.92 DEMAND  
NOS., 422511 THROUGH 422776 CANCELLED NOS 419141, 419142, 422121 AND 422381

RESOLUTION NO. 14790

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BUENA PARK, CALIFORNIA,  
ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE SUM OF \$935,726.71 COVERING  
REGULAR PAYROLL ENDING DECEMBER 8, 2023

**Reports & Studies 129**

- 4B. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2023  
Recommended Action: Receive and file the reports.

APPROVED the recommended action.

**Proclamations 119**

- 4C. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING JANUARY 13, 2024, AS KOREAN-AMERICAN DAY  
Recommended Action: Approve proclamation.

APPROVED the recommended action.

**Contracts 70 C-3443**

- 4D. APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE CODE GROUP (DBA "VCA CODE")  
Approve a Professional Services Agreement with The Code Group to provide building inspection services for commercial projects.

Recommended Action: Recommended Action: 1) Approve a Professional Services Agreement with The Code Group (dba "VCA Code") to provide building inspection services in the amount of \$150,000 for the period December 2023-December 2024; 2) Authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to make any necessary, non-monetary changes to the agreement; and, 3) Authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to execute the agreement.

APPROVED the recommended action.

**Contracts 70 C-3446 Public Works Proj. 125 PW-950**

- 4E. AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WILLDAN ENGINEERING FOR DESIGN SERVICES ON THE ORANGETHORPE AVENUE REHABILITATION PROJECT TO INCLUDE AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$ \$6,121  
Approve an amendment to an existing PSA with Willdan Engineering for additional design work on the Orangethorpe Avenue Rehabilitation Project.

Recommended Action: 1) Approve Amendment Number 1 to the Professional Services Agreement (PSA NO. 23-01) with Willdan Engineering; 2) Authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to make any necessary, nonmonetary changes to the amendment; and, 3) Authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to execute the amendment.

APPROVED the recommended action.

**Budgets 47 Contracts 70 C-3454 Public Works Proj. 125 PW-951**

- 4F. APPROVE BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR THE PEAK PARK AND BOISSERANC PARK POOL IMPROVEMENTS, A CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDER, AND AN AMENDMENT WITH PACIFIC ADVANCED CIVIL ENGINEERING

Recommended Action: 1) Approve a budget transfer of \$21,790 from the Park and Recreation Master Plan Project account to the Peak Park and Boisseranc Park Pool Improvements Project account; 2) Approve a budget transfer of \$200,000 from the undesignated General Fund reserve to the Peak Park and Boisseranc Park Pool Improvements Project account; 3) Approve Change Order No. 3 in the amount of \$115,549.47; 4) Authorize the Purchasing Manager to add additional funds in the amount of \$200,000 to the existing Purchase Order; 5) Amend Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Pacific Advanced Civil Engineering in the amount of \$21,790; 6) Authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to make any necessary, non-monetary changes to the amendment; and, 7) Authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to execute the amendment.

APPROVED the recommended action.

**Homelessness 88**

- 4G. APPROVAL OF THE BUENA PARK NAVIGATION CENTER MANAGEMENT, OPERATIONS, AND PUBLIC SAFETY (MOPS) PLAN  
Recommended Action: 1) Approve the revised MOPS Plan 2024 submitted by the Navigation Center operator, Mercy House and the Navigation Center Oversight Commission; and, 2) Authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to make any necessary, non-monetary changes to the plan.

APPROVED the recommended action.

**Successor Agency 600**

(Successor Agency)

- 4H. SUCCESSOR AGENCY RESOLUTIONS APPROVING THE RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE (ROPS 24- 25) AND ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025  
Recommended Action: 1) Adopt a resolution approving the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 24-25) for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025; 2) Adopt a resolution approving an administrative budget from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025; and, 3) Forward ROPS 24-25 to the Countywide Oversight Board and State Department of Finance for review and approval.

ADOPTED the following titled resolution:

**SUCCESSOR AGENCY RESOLUTION NO. SA-29**

RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CITY OF BUENA PARK COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPROVING A RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025 (ROPS 24-25) PURSUANT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 34177 AND TAKING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS

**SUCCESSOR AGENCY RESOLUTION NO. SA-30**

RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CITY OF BUENA PARK COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPROVING A RECOGNIZED PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025, AND TAKING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

5. NEW BUSINESS (5A – 5B)

**Budgets 47 Contracts C-3361 Grants 185**

- 5A. APPROVE RESTRICTED PROJECT AGREEMENT (GRANT NO. 202401) WITH PROVIDENCE ST. JUDE HOSPITAL FOR 2024 GRANT FUNDING

Recommended Action: 1) Approve a grant agreement with Providence St. Jude Hospital for 2024; 2) Authorize and roll over \$26,500 for construction of Community Gardens at Bellis Park (\$19,000) and Ehlers Event Center (\$7,500); 3) Accept grant funds in the amount of \$89,000; 4) Appropriate \$79,000 for the construction of a Pickleball Court at the Ehlers Event Center; 5) Appropriate \$5,000 for the purchase of water polo goals at Peak Park Pool; 6) Appropriate \$5,000 for the purchase of Tot Time furniture at the Buena Park Community Center; 7) Transfer \$11,000 from the Senior Center Interior Development Fund to the Pickleball Court project at the Ehlers Event Center; 8) Award a contract to RMS LIFE SAFETY in the amount of \$78,554.08; 9) Authorize contingency funds in the amount of \$7,855.41 in the same purchase order; 10) Authorize construction engineering funds in the amount of \$3,590.51; 11) Authorize the City Manager, City Attorney to make any necessary, nonmonetary changes to the contract; and, 12) Authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to execute the contract.

Community Services Supervisor Kurata provided a report regarding a project agreement with Providence St. Jude Hospital for 2024 grant funding. Supervisor Kurata discussed how the proposed grant funding is intended to be used. The projects and programs selected were obtained through the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Moreover, Public Works solicited three (3) bids from qualified construction firms to complete the required scope of work for the Senior Center Pickleball Court Project. On October 20, 2023, staff received three bids and determined that RMS Life Safety was the lowest, responsible bidder.



Mayor Pro Tem Ahn asked about the construction completion of a Pickleball court.

Associate Engineer Esparza-Almaraz explained that the Pickleball court construction completion will be within this year.

Council Member Castañeda asked about the speed of implementation of the projects after resident engagement compared to others.

Supervisor Kurata explained that due to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan already in the process, it helped speed up the request and approval of the projects.

Ron Madsen, Buena Park resident, spoke in support of the construction of the Pickleball court.

MOTION: Brown  
SECOND: Castañeda  
AYES: Brown, Castañeda, Traut, Ahn, Sonne  
NOES: None

MOTION CARRIED to approve the recommended action.

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5B. ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING NEW CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES AND AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2024-2026

Recommended Action: 1) Adopt a resolution approving new City Council priorities and authorizing the implementation of the 2024-26 City Council Goals and Objectives.

Assistant City Manager/Director of Human Resources Fenton provided a report regarding an approval of the new City Council Priorities and implementation of the City Council Goals and Objectives for Calendar Years 2024-2026. Assistant City Manager Fenton indicated that at its November 28, 2023 meeting, the City Council participated in a goal setting workshop to identify and discuss, together with the City Manager and the Executive Team, priorities that would need to be established as it pertains to the interests and needs of the community for calendar years 2024-2026. Assistant City Manager Fenton discussed the Citywide community engagement survey, Speak Up Buena Park, which collected resident and community feedback about City service needs and priorities. The City Council was informed of the survey responses, and they were used to identify some key focus areas as well as goals and objectives during the workshop. The six Preliminary Key Focus Areas are as follows:

- 1. Increase Locally Controlled Revenue Sources
- 2. Enhance Economic Development
- 3. Increase Staffing Levels and Retention
- 4. Increase Housing Supply
- 5. Improve Core Services
- 6. Upgrade Infrastructure

Once approved by the City Council, the Goals and Objectives will be used as a roadmap to guide the City Manager and staff over the next three years. Staff will add these goals to the Master Schedule, incorporate into the City's FY 2024-25 Budget and work plan, and will begin working on the next priorities of the City Council, all while funding sources are identified. These may be incorporated in the Policy Issues brought before the City Council for review during the next budget review cycle.

MOTION: Brown  
SECOND: Castañeda  
AYES: Brown, Castañeda, Traut, Ahn, Sonne  
NOES: None

MOTION CARRIED to approve the recommended action.

RESOLUTION NO. 14791  
RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BUENA PARK, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING NEW CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES AND AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2024-2026

## 6. PUBLIC HEARING

No items.

## 7. MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND CALENDAR

## 7A. REPORT

Council Member Castañeda reported that he is meeting with members of the community about various matters.

Mayor Pro Tem Ahn reported the following:

- December 13 BPCEA (Public Works) Holiday Luncheon
- December 13 Swearing-In Ceremony of Officer Isabel Bravo
- December 14 City Manager's All Employee Luncheon
- December 15 Blue Ribbon Celebration at Buena Terra Elementary School
- December 19 Senator Newman's Holiday Toy Drive and Meet and Greet
- December 20 BPPD Coffee with a Cop at Seesaw Beans and Coffee
- December 20 OC Mosquito and Vector Control District Committee Meeting
- December 21 OC Mosquito and Vector Control District Joint Board Meeting
- December 22 Sunnyside Mortuary Holiday Party
- December 27 Meet and Greet with the Mayor of the Korean delegation from Chungcheongnam-Do, South Korea
- January 8 Yamaha Groundbreaking
- January 9 Buena Park City Council and Executive staff and Ansan City, South Korea Delegation Meet and Greet

Mayor Pro Tem Ahn reported that she also attended 10 other nonprofit organizations' events during the holidays.

Council Member Traut reported the following:

- December 13 Swearing-In Ceremony of Officer Isabel Bravo
- December 13 BPCEA (Public Works) Holiday Luncheon
- December 14 City Manager's All Employee Luncheon
- December 15 Blue Ribbon Celebration at Buena Terra Elementary School
- December 19 Senator Newman's Holiday Toy Drive and Meet and Greet
- December 20 OCPA Board Meeting
- January 4 SCAG Energy and Environment Committee Meeting
- January 6 Walk and Talk Event with Assemblywoman Quirk-Silva
- January 8 Yamaha Groundbreaking
- January 9 Buena Park City Council and Executive staff and Ansan City, South Korea Delegation Meet and Greet

Council Member Traut reported attendance as an Alternate Director at the December 20, 2023 OCPA Board meeting. The Board adopted the Financial Audit Report and found no additional findings due to the efforts and success of Board members and staff. Additionally, the Board plans to interview the candidates for the CEO position at its upcoming Board meeting. Finally, Council Member Traut addressed the questions raised regarding the Yamaha Corporate Head Quarters in District 5.

Council Member Brown had nothing to report or calendar.

Mayor Sonne reported the following:

- December 13 BPCEA (Public Works) Holiday Luncheon
- December 13 KACCOC Gala and Installation of Officers at the Nixon Library, Honoring Outgoing President Sean Roh and Incoming President Jim Koo
- December 14 City Manager's All Employee Luncheon
- December 14 OC Sanitation District Board Meeting
- December 15 Blue Ribbon Celebration at Buena Terra Elementary School
- December 27 Meet and Greet with the Mayor of the Korean delegation from Chungcheongnam-Do, South Korea
- January 6 Students for Change to Community of the Orange County Korean American Citizens League Ceremony
- January 8 Yamaha Groundbreaking
- January 9 Buena Park City Council and Executive staff and Ansan City, South Korea Delegation Meet and Greet

#### 8. RECESS/RECONVENE

Mayor Sonne recessed the meeting at 5:49 p.m. and announced the meeting would be reconvened in the City Council Chamber. The meeting was reconvened at 6:03 p.m.

#### 9. STUDY SESSION (9A – 9E)

##### 9A. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING A FUNDING APPLICATION FOR THE OCTA PROJECT V SHARED RIDERSHIP PROGRAM

Director of Public Works/City Engineer Mikhael provided a report regarding the funding application for the OCTA Project V Shared Ridership Program. Director Mikhael discussed that the OCTA Board approved a fifth round of M2 funding for Project V through the Comprehensive Transportation Funding Programs (CTFP), for which applications are due on January 25, 2024. City staff was approached by Circuit, a company that provides shared ridership utilizing electric shuttles and vehicles. The company's intention is to connect communities by complementing existing public transportation. Director Mikhael noted that the service may be provided through the Project V funding if it qualifies and can present the need in Buena Park. Circuit provided the City a draft of the service area for reference of pickups and drop offs. Staff also worked with Curt Pringle and Associates (CP&A) and Townsend Public Affairs (TPA) to determine the "right sized" application for Buena Park. Unfortunately, staff has no idea how successful a pilot program in our community might be and the grant requires a match of 50% from the City. Nevertheless, TPA and CP&A are in discussion on details of the application and are available to submit the application should the City Council wish to move forward.

The City Council asked about pickup and drop off locations; hotel guests being unable to utilize the service due to their location not being within the designated service area; cost associated with hiring a consultant to complete and submit an application; and, true cost in administering the project with the service area presented.

Director Mikhael explained the selection of pickup and drop off locations within the service areas, complimentary to the already existing OCTA bus routes. Also, Director Mikhael confirmed Circuit will not be able to provide service to some hotels existing outside of the service area. However, guests have the option to park at a nearby designated Circuit pickup/drop off area and be able to use such service. As for the consultant cost, it would be an estimate of \$15,000-\$20,000.

Paul Simonds, Curt Pringle & Associates, explained that the map identifies a sample area of the City where the service will be provided. However, the map could be modified depending on the direction of the City Council. Mr. Simmonds also indicated that to run the program with a service territory of the size presented to the City Council is about \$500,000. If there is a desire to expand the service territory, then the cost would increase.

Mayor Sonne spoke about seeing the value in proceeding with the project. However, a study would be necessary in order to have data available to justify the implementation of such project in the City.

Council Member Traut asked about the goal of the study, and its purpose to assist the City Council make an informed decision to maximize dollar spent. Council Member Traut also asked if staff could reiterate the difference between commercial rideshare and Circuit.



Director Mikhael indicated that the application is due at the end of the month. The study will not be complete by then, but the City Council could direct staff to proceed with submitting the application while a study is ongoing. Moreover, the study will identify an outline area for the project to be successful. Staff will also conduct an outreach to the community to gauge interest on the project.

Daniel Kramer, Circuit Managing Partner, explained that Circuit is a subsidized rideshare program focused on short-distance travel.

Council Member Castañeda asked about using existing data to warrant the need for the service.

City Manager France explained the need to conduct public outreach to obtain new data on the matter.

Mayor Pro Tem Ahn indicated that the map presented does not guarantee service to the entire community. Therefore, the cost to implement the project does not justify the value.

Following the discussion, the City Council directed staff to conduct the study and begin the grant process.

**9B. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING A TRIP TO SISTER CITY IN SEONGBUK-GU, SOUTH KOREA**

Assistant City Manager/Director of Human Resources Fenton provided a report regarding a trip to Sister City Seonbuk-Gu, South Korea. Staff has identified the dates of March 18 – 22, 2024, as the next potential trip for the delegation from Buena Park to Korea. The delegation would include elected officials, City staff, Buena Park High School students, and members of the Buena Park Sister City Foundation, should the City Council approve the visit for the entire delegation. Currently, City has an approved budget of \$15,000 for the annual Sister City program. In past visits, the visiting City is responsible for airfare to the host City. The host City then typically provides all other accommodations for the delegation. Additionally, the trip to Seongbuk-Gu would be an opportunity for the City delegation to discuss new additions to Friendship Park, progress the relationship between the two cities, and provide contribution to the features and displays incorporated at the park. Finally, the City was approached by Ansan for consideration of becoming a Friendship City. Staff sought City Council's direction on the trip to Seongbuk-Gu, and Ansan's invitation to establish a Friendship City relationship.

Council Member Castañeda spoke in support of the trip, and requested to engage another group, such as members of the OC Small Business Development Center.

Council Member Brown spoke in support of, and interest in participating in the trip.

The City Council asked about the number of people that could participate in this trip given the budget; possible consideration of Buena Park students from other high schools; and number of Council Members who previously participated in this trip.

Assistant City Manager Fenton explained that flights cost about \$1,500 per person. At this time, there is no confirmed number of people that will be part of the delegation. Staff would have to determine how many individuals are interested and review the budget for this particular trip. Moreover, Assistant City Manager Fenton indicated extending the invitation to other high school students living in Buena Park, if directed by the City Council.

City Manager France indicated that, in previous years, one or two Council Members joined the trip. There is no formal policy that states any limitations on number of Council Members that could participate.

Mayor Sonne and Mayor Pro tem Ahn expressed interest in joining on the trip to Sister City Seongbuk-Gu. Mayor Sonne suggested Mayor Pro Tem Ahn join the trip because she would be especially helpful with communication.

Council Member Castañeda expressed interest, but agreed to join in the next trip.

City Manager France stated that there will be another opportunity for Council Members to participate in a future trip. Also, it would be good to have a majority of the City Council present in the event of an emergency.



Assistant City Manager Fenton sought the City Council's direction regarding Ansan's request to establish a Friendship City relationship.

Mayor Pro Tem Ahn discussed the Ansan delegation's visit to Buena Park in the morning. Mayor Pro Tem Ahn indicated the potential benefits this relationship would bring to the City, especially in culture and technological advancements. Therefore, recommended that the City Council establish Friendship City relationship with Ansan. If the City Council decides to proceed with the partnership, the delegation could also plan to visit Ansan during the trip to South Korea.

Council Member Castañeda spoke in support of Mayor Pro Tem Ahn's recommendation, and highlighted the benefits of engaging in this partnership.

Council Member Traut refused to proceed with establishing Friendship City relationship with Ansan at this time. Council Member Traut requested that a video presentation or more information regarding Ansan be provided at a subsequent City Council meeting prior to a formal vote.

John Cho, Buena Park Sister City Foundation, spoke in support of the trip to Sister City Seongbuk-Gu, South Korea.

Carlos Franco, Buena Park Sister City Foundation, spoke in support of the trip to Sister City Seongbuk-Gu, South Korea and emphasized on the positive impact of this experience to the relationship between Buena Park and Seongbuk-Gu.

Following the discussion, the City Council directed staff to provide a video presentation or more information regarding Ansan at the February City Council meeting for consideration to establish a Friendship City relationship.

#### 9C. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING MASTER CALENDAR REVIEW & CALENDARING OF FUTURE STUDY SESSION ITEMS

Assistant City Manager/Director of Human Resources Fenton provided a report regarding consideration of limiting the number of Council Member requests on Study Session items. Assistant City Manager Fenton discussed the City Council Protocols, specifically Section 6 which provides guidelines and procedures related to City Council meetings. At this time, there are 41 items currently listed on the Master Calendar that were scheduled by Council Members, with a few being calendared together with a Council colleague. Staff requested the City Council to review the items listed on the Master Calendar to determine if each item aligns with the Goals and Priorities set forth for the next three years.

Each Council Member identified items he or she would want to pull from or keep on the Master Schedule list.

Following the discussion, the City Council retained the following items on the Master Calendar:

- Preference Procurement Policies
- Proliferation of Vending Carts and BBQs Set Up On Public Sidewalks Preventing ADA Access
- Review of Municipal Code Regarding Urban Home Steading; Urban Home Steading Program/Goals
- Clean Air Resolution
- Mental Fitness and Wellness Initiative
- Amend Definition of Navigation Oversight Commission
- Review of Special Community Events for Streamlining Opportunities
- City Participation and Membership with CalTrust
- Commercial Nuisance Abatement and Blight Remediation Program, Multi-Family Residential Exemption
- Participation in the Recycling Market Development Zone
- Consideration of Various Worker Protection Ordinances
- Multi-Family Property Ownership/Management Registration
- Webforms for Requests for: Council Member Meetings, Proclamations, Certificates, Etc.
- Banning Gas Powered Leaf Blowers and Other Landscaping Equipment

9D. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION IN CONSIDERATION OF CHANGING THE TITLE OF MAYOR PRO TEMPORE TO VICE-MAYOR

Council Member Traut suggested to remove the hyphen in ‘Vice-Mayor.’

The City Council directed staff to change the title of Mayor Pro Tempore to Vice Mayor.

9E. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER AGENCY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

The City Council considered appointments to outside boards and committees. City Council approved the appointment of the following City Council representatives to outside committees and gave the following direction.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE	OTHER AGENCY BOARD/COMMITTEE
Council Member Brown	Orange County Sanitation District (Alt.)
Council Member Traut	Orange County Fire Authority Santa Ana River Flood Protection Agency Orange County Power Authority (Alt.)
Mayor Pro Tem Ahn	Orange County Sanitation District OC Mosquito and Vector Control District
Mayor Sonne	Orange County Power Authority

The City Council voted 4-1 (Castañeda dissented) to appoint Mayor Sonne as the Orange County Power Authority Board Member.

9F. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS AS LIAISONS TO CITY COMMISSIONS AND APPOINTMENTS TO CITY COUNCIL AD HOC COMMITTEES

Director of Government and Community Relations/City Clerk Jimenez provided a report that per City Council Policy Statement No. 28, the City Council must appoint on Council Member to each of the City’s Commissions to serve as a liaison. The liaison’s role is to attend Commission meetings on a periodic basis; assist in keeping the City Council fully informed of Commission activities; ensure Commission activities align with the City Council’s goals and objectives; confer with the City Council if questions arise as to duties, responsibility, functionality, authority; and, participate in the screening and application process for appointments/renewals. Director Jimenez then requested for appointments as liaisons to City Commissions and appointments to City Council Ad Hoc Committees.

The City Council selected the following City Commissions:

Climate Action	Council Member Traut
Community Development Block Grant	Council Member Brown
Community Services	Council Member Castañeda
Cultural Engagement	Mayor Sonne
Planning	Mayor Pro Tem Ahn
Traffic and Transportation	Council Member Brown

At 8:00 p.m., Council Member Brown left the dais, and returned at 8:04 p.m.

Following the discussion, the City Council selected the following City Council Ad Hoc Subcommittees:

Deferred Compensation Advisory	Council Member Brown and Mayor Sonne
Myrna Holmquist Communications Scholarship Review	Council Member Brown and Council Member Castañeda
Education Commission	Council Member Traut

Council Member Castañeda requested appointment, and sought City Council's support to appoint him to the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Ad Hoc Committee.

Following the discussion, the City Council selected 4-1 (Castañeda abstained) on the following City Council Ad Hoc Subcommittee:

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Mayor Pro Tem Ahn and

Mayor Sonne

10. CITY MANAGER REPORT

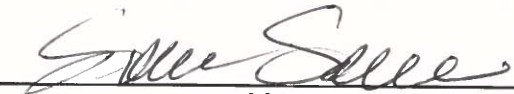
City Manager France provided an update about the Silverado Trail completion.

11. COMMISSION & COMMITTEE UPDATES

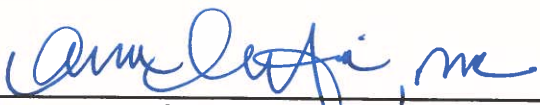
Director of Government and Community Relations/City Clerk Jimenez reported that Commission/Committee liaisons were reminded about the appointment of new Chair and Vice Chair for the 2024 calendar year.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Sonne adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk