MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CERRITOS CITY COUNCIL AND THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CERRITOS REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY HELD ON NOVEMBER 9, 2017, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CERRITOS CITY HALL, 18125 BLOOMFIELD AVENUE, CERRITOS, CALIFORNIA

1. Call to Order
   The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Invocation
   The invocation was given by Vida Barone, City Clerk.

3. Pledge of Allegiance
   The Pledge of Allegiance was given by City of Cerritos Recreation Services Youth Flag Football League, pee-wee division team, “Packers.”

4. Roll Call
   The following members of the City Council/Successor Agency were in attendance:
   
   Council/Agency Member Jim Edwards
   Council/Agency Member Naresh Solanki
   Council/Agency Member Frank A. Yokoyama
   Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Mark E. Pulido
   Mayor/Chair Grace Hu

5. Presentations/Appointments

5A. None.

5B. Ratification of Mayor’s Appointment to the Bellflower Unified School District Citizen’s Task Force.
   
   This item was continued to the next City Council meeting.

6. Public Comments and Suggestions

   Surya Villarino, CPE Tot Lot President, spoke regarding the Cerritos Park East Tot Lot room allocations.

   Emily Chen-Darnell spoke regarding the Cerritos Park East Tot Lot program.

   Paul Bellenbaum spoke regarding the book titled, “Act of War.”

   John Darnell spoke regarding the Cerritos Park East Tot Lot room allocations.

   Jake Velazquez thanked the Cerritos Sherriff Station for hosting the Cerritos Haunted Jail and thanked the Department of Parks and Recreation for hosting the Cerritos Halloween Festival.

   Tom Tislow spoke in regards to the closure of the VFW Frank Garcia Post 1846, the Cerritos Veterans Memorial and the recent NFL protests.

   Murali Vasudevan encouraged residents to tour the Cerritos Astor Museum Staging Facility, spoke regarding the Public Records Act process, requested a follow-up on Council action items, and commended the City on items on the current agenda.
6. **Public Comments and Suggestions (continued)**

Nick Duvally, Local Fire Chief, notified the business community of current fire inspection scams circulating the local area.

Christopher Craig, representative from the office of Assemblmmember Cristina Garcia, invited the community to participate in the “There Ought to be a Law” contest.

Murali Vasudevan requested clarification of various line items on the Register of Demands and requested clarification on a line item appearing on the Treasurer’s Report.

7. **Consent Calendar**

Items under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council/Agency Member or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

7A. **Approval of Minutes**

Approval of the City Council/Successor Agency Regular Meeting Minutes of October 26, 2017 (COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY).

**MOTION:** It was moved by Pulido, and seconded by Edwards, to approve the City Council/Successor Agency Regular Meeting Minutes of October 26, 2017 (COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY).

The motion carried (5 - 0) as follows:

AYES: Edwards, Solanki, Yokoyama, Pulido, Hu
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

7B. **Approval of Registers of Demands**

Approval of the Register of Demands for the City of Cerritos dated November 9, 2017 (COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY).

**MOTION:** It was moved by Pulido, and seconded by Edwards, to approve the Registers of Demands as follows:

1. City of Cerritos 11/09/2017 $6,492,765.58 (COUNCIL)

The motion carried (5 - 0) as follows:

AYES: Edwards, Solanki, Yokoyama, Pulido, Hu
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
7. **Consent Calendar (continued)**

7C. **Approval of Treasurer’s Reports**

Approval of the City Council Treasurer’s Report for the period ending September 30, 2017 (COUNCIL).

Approval of the Successor Agency’s Treasurer’s Report for the period ending September 30, 2017 (SUCCESSOR AGENCY).

**MOTION:** It was moved by Pulido, and seconded by Edwards, to approve the Treasurer’s Reports for the period ending September 30, 2017 (COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY).

The motion carried (5 - 0) as follows:

**AYES:** Edwards, Solanki, Yokoyama, Pulido, Hu

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

8. **Public Hearings**

None.

9. **New and Old Business**

9A. Review and discussion of potential conversion of residential street lights from existing high pressure sodium vapor (HPSV) to light emitting diode (LED) technology (COUNCIL).

A staff report was given by Ramzi Rafudeen, Electric Utility Manager. A PowerPoint Presentation was displayed.

The Mayor opened public comments.

Murali Vasudevan expressed support for the project, commended staff for the thorough report, requested the City look into related subsides and suggested a secure community survey.

Noting there were no further individuals who elected to speak, the Mayor closed public comments.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Edwards, and seconded by Yokoyama, to:

1. Ratify the Southern California Edison (SCE) Company Schedule LS-1 Option E, Energy Efficient-Light Emitting Diode (LED) Fixture Replacement Rate Agreement between the City of Cerritos and the Southern California Edison Company, administratively submitted by staff; and
2. Authorize the implementation of the demonstration project at Cerritos Sports Complex; and
3. Direct staff to conduct a survey to select street light color and wattage level and bring back a report to Council (COUNCIL).
9. **New and Old Business (continued)**

9A. **(continued)**

The motion carried (5 - 0) as follows:

- **AYES:** Edwards, Solanki, Yokoyama, Pulido, Hu
- **NOES:** None
- **ABSENT:** None
- **ABSTAIN:** None

9B. Review and consideration to waive full reading of and adopt A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS GRANTING AN EASEMENT DEED TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON FOR UTILITY PURPOSES AT THE LINCOLN STATION COMMERCIAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11900 SOUTH STREET, CERRITOS, CA 90703 (COUNCIL).

A staff report was given by Kanna Vancheswaran, Director of Public Works.

The Mayor opened public comments. Noting there were no individuals who elected to speak, the Mayor closed public comments.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Solanki, and seconded by Pulido, to waive full reading of and adopt Resolution No. 2017-31, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS GRANTING AN EASEMENT DEED TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON FOR UTILITY PURPOSES AT THE LINCOLN STATION COMMERCIAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11900 SOUTH STREET, CERRITOS, CA 90703 (APN 7054-024-060) (COUNCIL).

The motion carried (5 - 0) as follows:

- **AYES:** Edwards, Solanki, Yokoyama, Pulido, Hu
- **NOES:** None
- **ABSENT:** None
- **ABSTAIN:** None

9C. An informational report on the City’s reforestation program and tree removal policy (COUNCIL).

A staff report was given by Todd Kuh, Parks Superintendent. A PowerPoint Presentation was displayed.

The Mayor opened public comments.

Steven Pirus, independent certified arborist, spoke regarding arboriculture, tree care practices and structure, and noted that the quality of the City’s trees meets ISA (International Society of Arboriculture) quality standards.

Murali Vasudevan commended the City for addressing the reforestation program, encouraged the City to maintain the number of trees it has and requested the City be proactive with tree maintenance.

Noting there were no further individuals who elected to speak, the Mayor closed public comments.
9. New and Old Business (continued)

9C. (continued)

**MOTION:** It was moved by Pulido, and seconded by Solanki, to:

1. Direct staff to engage the Property Preservation Commission to review the removal and replacement of problematic tree species, such as Pine Trees; and
2. Direct staff to engage the Property Preservation Commission to conduct a public hearing and make any recommended edits to the City’s tree removal and trimming policy, which may include consideration of tree removals based on the financial burden for the resident (COUNCIL).

The motion carried (5 – 0) as follows:

**AYES:** Edwards, Solanki, Yokoyama, Pulido, Hu

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

9D. Review and consideration of playground equipment at Loma Park (COUNCIL).

A staff report was given by Sherré Titus, Recreation Services Superintendent. A PowerPoint Presentation was displayed.

The Mayor opened public comments. Noting there were no individuals who elected to speak, the Mayor closed public comments.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Edwards, and seconded by Pulido, to approve the “Shine” color palette for the playground equipment at Loma Park (COUNCIL).

The motion carried (5 – 0) as follows:

**AYES:** Edwards, Solanki, Yokoyama, Pulido, Hu

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

10. Legislative Items


None.

10B. Review and consideration to support or oppose specific legislation in the State or Federal Legislature or in the State or Federal Executive Office for signature.

None.

11. City Council Communications/Committee Reports/Report on Meetings

Reports were provided by Councilmembers Yokoyama, Solanki, and Edwards, Mayor Pro Tem Pulido, and Mayor Hu.

**CONSENSUS** (Pulido): Directed staff to bring back a report reviewing the Cerritos Park East facility usage policy as it relates to the Tot Lot program.
12. **Closed Session**

None.

13. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

/s/Vida Barone  
Vida Barone, City Clerk/Agency Secretary

/s/Grace Hu  
Grace Hu, Mayor/Chair

APPROVED: November 20, 2017