

**CLAREMONT CITY COUNCIL, FINANCING AUTHORITY, AND  
SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CLAREMONT  
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, December 10, 2024 – 6:30 p.m.

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Medina called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

COUNCILMEMBER: CALAYCAY, LEANO, MEDINA, REECE,  
STARK

**ABSENT**

COUNCILMEMBER: NONE

**ALSO PRESENT**

Adam Pirrie, City Manager; Jamie Earl, Assistant City Manager; Alisha Patterson, City Attorney; Aaron Fate, Police Chief; Jeremy Swan, Director of Community Services; Brad Johnson, Director of Community Development; Melissa Vollaro, Director of Human Services; Jeremy Starkey, Director of Finance; Shelley Desautels, City Clerk; and Jamie Costanza, Deputy City Clerk

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

There was no closed session meeting.

**CEREMONIAL MATTERS, PRESENTATIONS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Christi Giannone, Human Resources Manager, and Cory Williams, Senior Building Inspector, were introduced.

The City Council received a presentation from Katherine Loeser, Claremont Helen Renwick Library Manager, on upcoming events taking place at the Claremont Helen Renwick Library.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF FEDERAL HOLIDAYS/OBSERVANCES**

Christmas Day, December 25, 2024

New Year's Day, January 1, 2025

## **MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

### **Council Items**

1. Declaration of the Results of the November 5, 2024, General Municipal Election for a City Councilmember in District 1 and in District 5

This item starts at 8:00 in the archived video.

Shelley Desautels, City Clerk, highlighted the staff report.

Mayor Medina invited public comment.

City Clerk Desautels announced no written public comment had been received on this item.

Zane Aga, Field Representative for Congresswoman Judy Chu, and Samantha Villaneda, Field Representative for Assemblymember John Harabedian, congratulated the successful candidates and presented them with certificates.

There were no other requests to speak.

Mayor Medina closed public comment.

***Councilmember Calaycay moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-61, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA, RECITING THE FACT OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024; DECLARING THE RESULT AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS PROVIDED BY LAW, seconded by Councilmember Reece, and carried on a roll call vote as follows:***

***AYES: Councilmember – Calaycay, Leano, Medina, Reece, Stark***

***NOES: Councilmember – None***

2. Administration of Oath of Office to Newly Re-Elected City Councilmembers Corey Calaycay, District 1; and Silviano “Sal” Medina, District 5

This item starts at 16:20 in the archived video.

Sam Pedroza administered the oath of office to Councilmember Calaycay.

Evie Medina administered the oath of office to Councilmember Medina.

Mayor Medina invited public comment.

City Clerk Desautels announced no written public comment had been received on this item.

There were no requests to speak.

Mayor Medina closed public comment.

3. Appointment of a Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore for the Upcoming Year

This item starts at 22:41 in the archived video.

City Clerk Desautels called for nominations for the office of Mayor.

Councilmember Reece nominated Councilmember Calaycay for the office of Mayor.

Nominations were closed, and City Clerk Desautels invited public comment.

City Clerk Desautels announced no written public comment had been received on this item.

There were no requests to speak.

City Clerk Desautels closed public comment.

***Councilmember Reece moved to appoint Councilmember Calaycay to the office of Mayor for a one-year term, seconded by Councilmember Stark, and carried on a roll call vote as follows:***

***AYES: Councilmember – Calaycay, Leano, Medina, Reece, Stark***

***NOES: Councilmember – None***

Mayor Calaycay requested the term Vice Mayor be used as an alternative title to Mayor Pro Tempore when applicable.

Mayor Calaycay called for nominations for the office of Mayor Pro Tempore/Vice Mayor.

Councilmember Reece nominated Councilmember Stark for the office of Mayor Pro Tempore/Vice Mayor.

Nominations were closed, and Mayor Calaycay invited public comment.

City Clerk Desautels announced no written public comment had been received on this item.

There were no requests to speak.

Mayor Calaycay closed public comment.

***Councilmember Reece moved to appoint Councilmember Stark to the office of Mayor Pro Tempore/Vice Mayor for a one-year term, seconded by Councilmember Leano, and carried on a roll call vote as follows:***

***AYES: Councilmember – Calaycay, Leano, Medina, Reece, Stark***

***NOES: Councilmember – None***

***Councilmember Reece moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-62, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA, APPOINTING COUNCILMEMBER CALAYCAY AS MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER STARK AS MAYOR PRO TEMPORE/VICE MAYOR, EACH TO A ONE-YEAR TERM, seconded by Councilmember Leano, and carried on a roll call vote as follows:***

**AYES:**            **Councilmember – Calaycay, Leano, Medina, Reece, Stark**  
**NOES:**            **Councilmember – None**

### Council Assignment Reports

This item starts at 58:32 in the archived video.

Councilmember Stark reported that she attended a San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments workshop on zero emission vehicles.

Councilmember Medina reported that he attended a meeting with the Mexican Ambassador to the United States where they spoke about local issues.

Councilmember Reece reported that he attended the International LGBTQ conference where they discussed AI being integrated into local government.

Councilmember Leano announced Tri City Mental Health will hold a study session on Mental Health Services Act funding and options for future use.

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

This item starts at 1:01:42 in the archived video.

City Manager Pirrie reported on the Police Department's annual toy drive, the Padua Avenue walking path, the City's new website [www.claremontca.gov](http://www.claremontca.gov), holiday closures, parking enforcement during the holidays, and tree recycling.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

This item starts at 1:04:00 in the archived video.

Mayor Calaycay invited public comment.

City Clerk Desautels announced no written public comment had been received.

Nikole Bresciana, President and CEA of the Inland Valley Humane Society, shared upcoming events and special promotions taking place at the Humane Society.

Lydia Hernandez, Claremont Tenants United, expressed disappointment in the City Council not investing in its rental population by implementing a rental registry and rent stabilization.

There were no other requests to speak.

Mayor Calaycay closed public comment.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

This item starts at 1:12:15 in the archived video.

Mayor Calaycay invited public comment on the Consent Calendar.

City Clerk Desautels announced no written public comment had been received on the Consent Calendar.

There were no requests to speak.

Mayor Calaycay closed public comment.

***Councilmember Reece moved to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Councilmember Medina, and carried on a roll call vote as follows:***

**AYES: Councilmember – Calaycay, Leano, Medina, Reece, Stark**

**NOES: Councilmember – None**

4. Adoption of a Resolution Approving the City Warrant Register  
Adopted Resolution No. 2024-63, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA, ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS AND SPECIFYING THE FUNDS OUT OF WHICH THE SAME ARE TO BE PAID, dated December 5, 2024.
5. City Council Minutes of November 26, 2024 (Regular)  
Approved and filed the regular City Council meeting minutes of November 26, 2024.
6. Approval of the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS) of the Dissolved Claremont Redevelopment Agency for the Period July 1, 2025 Through June 30, 2026 and the Administrative Budget for the Period of July 1, 2025 Through June 30, 2026 (Funding Source: Successor Agency Funds)  
Adopted Resolution No. SA 2024-01, A RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO THE CITY OF CLAREMONT APPROVING THE RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 AND APPROVING THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026.
7. Award of Contracts to Duratech, Federal Signal, and Motorola Solutions for Vehicle and Equipment Purchases (Funding Source: Motor Fleet Fund)
  - A. Authorized the City Manager to enter into a contract with DuraTech in the amount of \$79,942.89 for patrol fleet laptops and equipment;
  - B. Authorized the City Manager to enter into a contract with Federal Signal in the amount of \$76,622.84 for patrol vehicle lighting and push bumpers; and
  - C. Authorized the City Manager to enter into a contract with Motorola Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$113,403.69 for vehicle video systems.
8. Acceptance of Public Improvements and Release of Subdivision Improvement Bonds and Cash Deposits for Final Tract Map No. 73078 for a Thirty-Unit Condominium Project Located on the Northwest Corner of Indian Hill Boulevard and Foothill Boulevard. Applicant – Claremont Condo Development, L.P.  
Accepted and approved the public improvements and release of the applicable improvement bonds and cash deposits for Final Tract Map No. 73078.

9. Historical Property (Mills Act) Agreement #24-MA01, Between the City of Claremont and Natalie and Isaac Kelly, Property Owners of 1195 Berkeley Avenue
  - A. Approved a Historic Property (Mills Act) Agreement between the City of Claremont and Natalie and Isaac Kelly, property owners of 1195 Berkeley Avenue; and
  - B. Found this item is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
  
10. Historical Property (Mills Act) Agreement #24-MA02, Between the City of Claremont and Adam Byrnes, Property Owner of 487 Harrison Avenue
  - A. Approved a Historic Property (Mills Act) Agreement between the City of Claremont and Adam Byrnes, property owners of 487 Harrison Avenue; and
  - B. Found this item is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
  
11. Appropriation from the Equipment and Facility Revolving Reserve to Address Deferred Park Maintenance Items and Authorization to Enter Into an Agreement with Excel Landscape Maintenance for Replenishment of Engineered Wood Fiber at City Parks (Funding Source: General Fund)
  - A. Appropriated \$100,000 from the Equipment and Facility Revolving Account to fund the cost of the improvements described in the staff report; and
  - B. Authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Excel Landscape in an amount not to exceed \$63,000 for the replenishing of engineered wood fiber at City parks.
  
12. Award of Contract to Pineda General Construction, Inc. for the Blaisdell Community Center Kitchen Remodel Project (Funding Source: General Capital Projects Fund)
  - A. Awarded a contract to Pineda General Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$109,595 for the Blaisdell Community Center Kitchen Remodel Project and authorized a ten percent contingency in the amount of \$10,959, for a total amount not to exceed \$120,554, and authorized the City Manager to execute the agreement;
  - B. Authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Lotus Construction Group in the amount of \$7,000 for project management services;
  - C. Appropriated \$127,554 from the General Capital Projects Fund to fully fund the Blaisdell Community Center Kitchen Remodel Project; and
  - D. Authorized acceptance of \$127,554 from the Claremont Senior Foundation, Inc. to reimburse the City for the total cost of the project.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS – None**

**ORDINANCES – None**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

13. Public Testimony on the Renewal of the Claremont Tourism Business Improvement District (Funding Source: General Fund)

This item starts at 1:13:45 in the archived video.

Katie Wand, Deputy City Manager, highlighted the staff report.

Mayor Calaycay invited public comment.

City Clerk Desautels announced no written public comments had been received on this item.

There were no requests to speak.

Mayor Calaycay closed public comment.

***Councilmember Stark moved to acknowledge that the City Council has provided this first opportunity for public testimony on the renewal of the Claremont Business Improvement District and levy of assessments, seconded by Councilmember Leano, and carried on a roll call vote as follows:***

**AYES: Councilmember – Calaycay, Leano, Medina, Reece, Stark**

**NOES: Councilmember – None**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Calaycay adjourned the meeting of the Claremont City Council at 7:49 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Claremont City Council will be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., in the Claremont Council Chamber.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Deputy City Clerk