



City Council

Meeting Minutes

Mark Turner - Mayor
Marilyn Librers - Mayor Pro Tem
Gino Borgioli - Council Member
Rene Spring - Council Member
Yvonne Martinez Beltran - Council Member

Wednesday, November 6, 2024 6:00 PM

Council Chamber Building
17555 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA 95037

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Turner called the City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

City Clerk Michelle Bigelow called the roll.

PRESENT	Rene Spring, Gino Borgioli, Yvonne Martinez Beltran, Mark Turner, Marilyn Librers
ABSENT	None

DECLARATION OF POSTING AGENDA

City Clerk Michelle Bigelow declared the posting of the agenda.

SILENT INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS

YAC Presentation

PROCLAMATIONS

Proclaiming the month of November as Morgan Hill Community Philanthropy Month

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Borgioli shared that the Water District Commission met in July and October. He mentioned that they discussed the water shortage and making sure that all the reservoir projects are completed on time. He also spoke at the Voices grand opening last month on behalf of the Mayor and the City.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Christina Turner shared that it's time to change your watering schedule, and irrigation should occur just one day a week for landscaping in Morgan Hill. The change is effective on November 1st. The City started planting 50 trees in 50 days, with five new trees at Galvan Park this past Saturday. The remaining trees will be planted in areas near multifamily housing. A grant from the county health department will fund the trees and watering. The event on Saturday was in partnership with the Rotary Club of Morgan Hill, which has adopted Galvan Park. Last Saturday, the City hosted the Day of the Dead Celebration Event at the Magical Bridge Playground. Hundreds of participants came out and enjoyed dancing, arts and crafts, and many other activities put on by our Parks and Recreation Division and Magical Bridge Volunteers. Only two Sidewalk Saturday events are left in the 2024 season. Kick off the Holiday Shopping Season by shopping for unique, custom, and homemade products from over 45 vendors this Saturday, November 9th, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on 3rd Street in Downtown Morgan Hill. From accessories to candles to clothing to home décor, you can find a gift for even the pickiest person on your list.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None.

OTHER REPORTS

Council Member Librers announced that she has been reappointed to the Cal Cities Transportation Committee for the next year.

Council Member Martinez Beltran shared that Silicon Valley Clean Energy will have some bills coming back. She attended the City/School Liaison Committee Meeting last week and thanked City Teammates and the Morgan Hill Unified School District for their work with the Economic Mobility grant. She also mentioned that the Dia de Los Muertos altar is up on the corner of Monterey Rd. and Dunne Ave. It has grown this year, and she thanked the sponsors as well.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment opened at 6:17 p.m. The following people were called to speak:

Michael Burchfield

Chuck Bergoff and Claudia Rossi

There being no further requests to speak, public comment closed.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION:

Adopting the agenda, continuing item 7 to a future meeting.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Council Member Borgioli
SECONDER:	Council Member Spring
AYES:	Council Member Spring, Council Member Borgioli, Council Member Martinez Beltran, Mayor Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Librers
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items appearing on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and may be approved by one motion. Pursuant to City Council Policies and Procedures (CP 97-01), any member of the Council or public may request to have an item removed from the Consent Calendar for comment and action.

MOTION:

Approving consent calendar items 5 and 6.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Council Member Spring
SECONDER:	Council Member Borgioli
AYES:	Council Member Spring, Council Member Borgioli, Council Member Martinez Beltran, Mayor Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Librers
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

5. APPROVE THE 2025 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Recommendation:

Review, discuss, if needed, amend, and approve the 2025 City Council meeting schedule.

6. APPROVE THE OCTOBER 23, 2024 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Recommendation:

Approve minutes.

7. AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT REPLACEMENT VEHICLE INCLUDING THE OUTFITTING OF EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

Recommendation:

1. Recognize an insurance proceed payout of \$24,301 for the replacement of the Fire Department vehicle F12001; and
2. Amend the Adopted Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Budget in the Equipment Replacement Fund (Fund 790) which includes a 10% contingency of \$8,889, for the purchase and outfitting of replacement vehicle F12001 with a 2024 Ford F250 Truck for the Fire Department; and
3. Authorize the City Manager to execute and administer the associated purchase agreement.

This item has been continued to a future date.

ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

1. ADOPT ORDINANCE 2357, NEW SERIES, AMENDING THE 2009 DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN OF THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL DELETING THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUIREMENT FOR BARS ASSOCIATED WITH A RESTAURANT

Recommendation:

Waive the reading, adopt Ordinance No. 2357, New Series, and declare that said title, which appears on the agenda, shall be determined to have been read by title and further reading waived.

Public comment opened at 6:27 p.m. There being no requests to speak, public comment closed.

MOTION:

Approving the recommended action.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Council Member Borgioli
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem Librers
AYES:	Council Member Spring, Council Member Borgioli, Council Member Martinez Beltran, Mayor Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Librers
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

2. APPROVE OBJECTIVE DEVELOPMENT STANDARD WAIVERS AND

CONCESSION REQUEST FOR THE DIANA - DIVIDEND RESIDENTIAL PROJECT AT DIANA AVENUE

Recommendation:

Adopt a resolution approving the request for one concession and 18 waivers to the City's Objective Development Standards for residential development.

Public comment opened at 6:40 p.m. There being no requests to speak, public comment closed.

MOTION:

Approving the recommended action.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Council Member Spring
SECONDER:	Council Member Martinez Beltran
AYES:	Council Member Spring, Council Member Martinez Beltran, Mayor Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Librers
NAYS:	Council Member Borgioli
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

3. **APPROVE OBJECTIVE DEVELOPMENT STANDARD CONCESSION REQUEST FOR THE BARNELL - HAREN PROPERTIES LLC RESIDENTIAL PROJECT AT BARNELL AVENUE AND DUNNE AVENUE (LJ COMMONS)**

Recommendation:

Adopt a resolution approving the request for a concession to the City's Objective Development Standards for residential development.

Public comment opened at 6:42 p.m. There being no requests to speak, public comment closed.

MOTION:

Approving the recommended action.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Council Member Spring
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem Librers
AYES:	Council Member Spring, Council Member Martinez Beltran, Mayor Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Librers
NAYS:	Council Member Borgioli

ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

4. APPROVE THE FY 2024-25 WORK PLANS FOR THE LIBRARY, CULTURE AND ARTS COMMISSION AND THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Recommendation:

Review and approve the FY 2024-25 Work Plans for the Library, Culture and Arts Commission and the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Public comment opened at 6:46 p.m. The following people were called to speak:

Amanda Santiago

Yvonne Randolph

There being no further requests to speak, public comment closed.

MOTION:

Approving the recommended actions minus the mandate of the land acknowledgment statement.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Mayor Turner
SECONDER:	Council Member Borgioli
AYES:	Council Member Borgioli, Mayor Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Librers
NAYS:	Council Member Spring, Council Member Martinez Beltran
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

OTHER BUSINESS

8. ADOPT A CITYWIDE VEHICLE-MILES-TRAVELED (VMT) POLICY INCLUSIVE OF ESTABLISHING VMT AS THE APPROPRIATE METRIC FOR EVALUATING TRANSPORTATION-RELATED IMPACTS UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) AND ESTABLISHING VMT SCREENING CRITERIA, VMT THRESHOLDS OF SIGNIFICANCE, AND TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT (TDM) STRATEGIES

Recommendation:

1. Receive report regarding a proposed trip reduction ordinance; and
2. Adopt a resolution establishing Screening Criteria and Thresholds of Significance regarding the City's implementation of State Senate Bill 743

(SB 743) transition from Level-of-Service (LOS) to Vehicle-Miles-Traveled (VMT) as the metric for transportation analysis under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for development projects.

Principal Planner Adam Paszkowski and Development Services Director Jennifer Carman provided a presentation and report.

Public comment opened at 7:38 p.m. The following person was called to speak:
Joe Baranowski
There being no further requests to speak, public comment closed.

MOTION:

Approving the recommended action, removing criteria 3 and 4, and adjusting maps as necessary.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Council Member Spring
SECONDER:	Council Member Martinez Beltran
AYES:	Council Member Spring, Council Member Borgioli, Council Member Martinez Beltran, Mayor Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Librers
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

The meeting recessed at 8:23 p.m. and reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

9. RECEIVE POLICE AND FIRE PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE

Recommendation:

Receive the Police and Fire Public Safety Update.

Police Chief Shane Palsgrove and Fire Chief Baraka Carter provided a presentation and report.

Public comment opened at 9:32 p.m. The following person was called to speak:
Joe Baranowski
There being no further requests to speak, public comment closed.

Report received.

10. PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF ON PROPOSED FUTURE COUNCIL INITIATED AGENDA ITEM

Recommendation:

Determine if the majority of the City Council wants the following item agendaized at a future meeting for discussion:

Expand multiunit non-smoking ordinance to include all residential properties.

City Manager Christina Turner introduced the item. Council Member Rene Spring provided a report.

Public comment opened at 9:41 p.m. The following person was called to speak:
Doug Muirhead
There being no further requests to speak, public comment closed.

The council did not move forward with this item.

FUTURE COUNCIL INITIATED AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Martinez Beltran requested an item for an ordinance for underground utilities with objective standards, and she requested to look at larger projects, separate ordinances, that don't get exceptions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Turner adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by:

Michelle Bigelow, City Clerk