



## CITY OF WEST COVINA

### CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY

MAY 8, 2019, 8:00 PM  
SPECIAL MEETING

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
1444 W. GARVEY AVENUE SOUTH  
WEST COVINA, CALIFORNIA 91790

### MINUTES

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

A Special Meeting was called to order by Mayor Johnson on Tuesday, May 8, 2019 at 8:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 1444 West Garvey Avenue South, West Covina, California.

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### Council Members

Present: Councilmembers Dario Castellanos, Letty Lopez-Viado, Jessica C. Shewmaker, Mayor Pro Tem Tony Wu, Mayor Lloyd Johnson

##### Council Members

Absent: None

##### City Staff

Present: David Carmany Interim City Manager, Nikole Bresciani Assistant City Manager/Public Services Director/Acting Personnel Officer, Scott E. Porter City Attorney, Carrie Gallagher Assistant City Clerk; other city staff responded to questions as indicated in the minutes.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Lloyd Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORTING OUT**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9(d)(2)

Number of Cases: Two (2)

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE  
(Authorized under Government Code § 54957)  
Position: Fire Chief

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE  
(Authorized under Government Code § 54957)  
Position: Police Chief

**REPORTING OUT**

City Attorney Scott E. Porter reported from Closed Session Meeting a City Council vote of 5-0 to uphold the Interim City Manager's determination to terminate the employment relationship with Mr. Whithorn after providing him the option to address the City Council.

**REORDER OF THE AGENDA**

Mayor Johnson reorganized the agenda by consensus of the City Council without objection to allow Marc Taylor to address the City Council prior to public comment.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

Appellant:

Marc Taylor

Speakers:

Travis Tibbits  
Elsie Messame  
Phil Kaufman  
James Toma  
Brian Jobst  
Ray Edmondson  
Minerva Avila  
Bill Robinson  
Fredricks Sykes  
Laura Vieyra  
Pete Gallardo  
Deanne Castonova

Linda Nguyen  
David Williams  
Norman Owashi  
Ben Wong  
Paul Ahkmari

--- End of Public Comment---

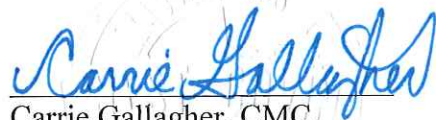
- 1) **ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL/NON-EVIDENTIARY HEARING PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 3304(c) TO ALLOW MARC TAYLOR, PER HIS REQUEST, TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL REGARDING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER'S DECISION TO TERMINATE MARC TAYLOR'S EMPLOYMENT AS POLICE CHIEF OF THE CITY**

**ACTION: MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM WU, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CASTELLANOS, CARRIED 4-1(JOHNSON NO) to: uphold the Interim City Manager's decision to terminate Police Chief Marc Taylor.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Special Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m., by Mayor Johnson. The next regularly scheduled Regular City Council Meeting will be held on May 21, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, 1444 West Garvey Avenue South, West Covina, California.

Submitted by:



Carrie Gallagher, CMC  
Assistant City Clerk



Lloyd Johnson  
Mayor