

**MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE JURUPA VALLEY CITY COUNCIL
August 18, 2020**

The meeting was held at the Jurupa Valley City Council Chamber, 8930 Limonite Avenue,
Jurupa Valley, CA

1. 6:00 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL FOR SPECIAL MEETING

- Anthony Kelly, Jr., Mayor
- Lorena Barajas, Mayor Pro Tem
- Chris Barajas, Council Member
- Brian Berkson, Council Member
- Micheal Goodland, Council Member

Mayor Kelly called the special meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Lorena Barajas participated via teleconference.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Anthony Kelly, Jr.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Micheal Goodland, seconded by Council Member Brian Berkson, to approve the Agenda. A roll call vote was taken.

Roll Call:

Ayes: C. Barajas, B. Berkson, L. Barajas, M. Goodland, A. Kelly
Noes: None
Absent: None

4. APPROVAL OF A REBUTTAL ARGUMENT IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE U, A BALLOT MEASURE TO ADOPT NEW REGULATIONS GOVERNING COMMERCIAL CANNABIS ACTIVITY IN THE CITY AND TO INCREASE THE TAX ON COMMERCIAL CANNABIS ACTIVITY IN THE CITY

Zach Heinselman, Assistant City Attorney, presented the staff report. Mr. Heinselman summarized the provisions of the proposed Measure U for the November 3, 2020 Election. He provided general guidance regarding public agencies and ballot measure campaigns.

Spencer Rogers spoke in support of the proposed Measure U. He stated that the proposed measure does not affect other businesses in Jurupa Valley and the cannabis business is a very lucrative business and the City of Jurupa Valley is not getting its fair share of this revenue. He asked that the City Council do something regarding the parking for these businesses as they are impeding parking on local streets, blocking residential driveways and impairing the use of public streets.

Mayor Kelly stated that these proposed regulations will provide the City with more control over the cannabis activity in the City and will serve Jurupa Valley's constituents well. He looks forward to moving forward on this issue.

Council Member Chris Barajas thanked the City Attorney and City Staff for the Rebuttal Argument as it points out the false information in the Argument against Measure U. He noted that although it does provide for a tax, it is only a tax on cannabis activities. What the Measure will also do is create a buffer to the City's sensitive areas such as churches, K-12 schools, daycare centers, and parks.

Council Member Brian Berkson stated that Measure L was written by a specific group who then monopolized the permit process to their advantage. Any new permits will no longer be allowed near schools, daycare centers, parks, and religious facilities. The proposed tax increase will provide a reasonable and appropriate tax which is much less than many surrounding cities. This tax will provide revenue to the City to pay for law enforcement and youth programs. He encouraged residents to seek out the facts surrounding the proposed Measure U.

Mayor Pro Tem Lorena Barajas expressed appreciation to the City Attorney and City staff in writing Measure U. She stated that this measure will greatly benefit the City and will rectify the situation caused by Measure L.

A motion was made by Mayor Anthony Kelly, seconded by Council Member Micheal Goodland, to adopt Resolution No. 2020-71, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JURUPA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A REBUTTAL ARGUMENT IN SUPPORT OF VOTER APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED CANNABIS REGULATORY AND TAX MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 BALLOT

A roll call vote was taken.

Roll Call:

Ayes: C. Barajas, B. Berkson, L. Barajas, M. Goodland, A. Kelly

Noes: None

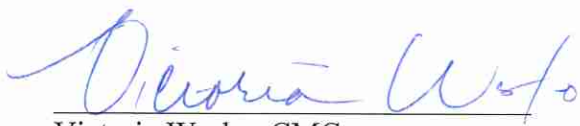
Absent: None

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Kelly adjourned the special meeting at 6:15 p.m.

The next meeting of the Jurupa Valley City Council will be held August 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Council Chamber, 8930 Limonite Avenue, Jurupa Valley, CA 92509.

Respectfully submitted,



Victoria Wasko, CMC
City Clerk