

Regular Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Joseph Jackson and roll call was taken:

PRESENT COUNCIL MEMBERS: Jackson, Filipowski, Densmore, Cartrette

Invocation – Bishop Cedric Robinson, Judah Tabernacle

ALSO PRESENT: Linda Land, City Clerk; Lawrence J. Coogan, Corporation Counsel; Lt. Robert Kennaley, Police Department; Laura Ridenour, Fire Marshall; Larrie Ordus, DPW Director; Renee Cook, Fieldhouse

Mayor Wheeler T. Marsee, Jr. was absent and excused.

Councilwoman Julie Rauser was absent and excused.

Councilman Scott Frederick was absent and excused.

Presentation: Hennessey Engineers – Nick Yuvan, Project Manager - Water Reliability Study, 2023 DWSRF Water Main Project

22-11-266 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Densmore, to complete the water reliability study on behalf of the City of Melvindale.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-267 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Densmore, to approve the proposal from Hennessey Engineers for the 2023 DWSRF Water Main Project (Dix Road, Greenfield Road, Wall Street and Dora Street for Design and Bidding Services for the City of Melvindale.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-268 Moved by Densmore and supported by Filipowski, to approve the Regular Council meeting minutes dated November 2, 2022.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-269 Moved by Densmore and supported by Filipowski, to remove from table and confirm the appointment of Annette Taylor, to the Housing Commission, new term expires November 17, 2027 and further for the appointment to take immediate effect.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-270 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Densmore, to remove from table and confirm the appointment of Alice Bliss, to the Aging Commission, new term expires November 19, 2025.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-271 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Densmore, to remove from table and confirm the appointment of Betty Lindlbauer, to the Board of Review Commission, new term expires November 19, 2025.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-272 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Cartrette, to remove from table and confirm the appointment of Lawrence J. Coogan, to the Building Authority, new term expires November 19, 2025.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-273 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Densmore, to remove from table and confirm the appointment of Richard S. Ortiz, to the Building Authority, new term expires November 19, 2025.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-274 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Densmore, to remove from table and confirm the appointment of Linda Land, to the Building Authority, new term expires November 19, 2025.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-275 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Densmore, to remove from table and confirm the appointment of Imad Khalil, to the Downtown Development Authority, new term expires November 18, 2026.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-276 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Densmore, to remove from table and confirm the appointment of Ali Elhasan, to the Downtown Development Authority, new term expires November 18, 2026.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-277 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Cartrette, to remove from table and confirm the appointment of Sean Briscoe, to the Parks & Recreation Commission, new term expires on November 19, 2025.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-278 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Densmore, to remove from table and confirm the appointment of Suann Scott, to the Planning Commission, new term expires November 19, 2025.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-279 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Cartrette, to remove from table and confirm the appointment of Martha McDaniel, to the Public Safety Commission, new term expires November 17, 2027.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-280 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Densmore, to table the appointment of Karen Frederick, to the Planning Commission, new term expires November 19, 2025.

Passed Unanimously

Audience Participation

22-11-281 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Cartrette, to award a certificate of Commendation to Sergeant Humayun Rahman and Officer Hassan Hammoud for de-escalating a situation, at the Melrose Hotel, and further their act of courageous bravery resulted in a positive outcome.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-282 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Densmore, to authorize Linda Land, City Clerk to publish a Public Hearing Notice for December 7, 2022 for the 2023 Budget and further respectfully requesting a 7 (seven) day wavier for the right to rescind.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-283 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Filipowski, to enter into closed session at 8:00 p.m. regarding pending litigation.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-284 Moved by Densmore and supported by Cartrette, to reopen the Regular Council meeting at 8:11 p.m.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-285 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Cartrette, to hire the law firm of Adam Kutinsky at the agreed upon hourly rate to help represent the city in the litigation indicated.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-286 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Filipowski, to waive the customary 7 (seven) day waiting period for resolution 22-11-285.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-287 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Jackson, to receive and place on file the October 2022 Treasurers report.

Passed Unanimously

Second Audience Participation

22-11-288 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Jackson, to receive and place on file the invoice and cover sheet and authorize the payment of approved invoices totaling \$377,124.67 and the electronic transfers totaling \$282,050.75.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-289 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Filipowski, to adjourn into closed session at 8:20 p.m., no objections, so ordered.

Passed Unanimously

Joseph Jackson, Mayor Pro Tem

Linda Land, City Clerk