

**Regular** Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, August 2, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wheeler T. Marsee, Jr. and roll call was taken:

PRESENT COUNCIL MEMBERS: Jackson, Filipowski, Rauser, Frederick, Densmore, Cartrette

**ALSO PRESENT:** Linda Land, City Clerk;  
Richard S. Ortiz, City Administrator/Finance Director; Roger Kaly, Corporation Counsel;  
Robert Kennaley, Police Department; Laura Ridenour, Fire Marshall;  
Larrie Ordus, DPW Director; Renee Cook, Arena Manager; Sandy Law, Senior Center

Michel Belch, Treasurer was absent and excused.

**23-08-134** Moved by Cartrette and supported by Filipowski, to approve the Regular Council meeting minutes dated July 19, 2023.

Yeas: Jackson, Filipowski, Rauser, Frederick, Cartrette  
Nays: none  
Abstain: Densmore

Motion Passes

Audience Participation

**23-08-135** Moved by Cartrette and supported by Rauser, to authorize the City Clerk to publish a Public Hearing notice for Wednesday, August 2, 2023 for Mill Steel, Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Application.

Passed Unanimously

**23-08-136** Moved by Cartrette and supported by Filipowski, to approve immediate effect for resolution #23-08-135.

Passed Unanimously

**23-08-137** Moved by Cartrette and supported by Rauser, to enter into closed session at 7:56 p.m. for the purpose of pending litigation.

Passed Unanimously

**23-08-138** Moved by Filipowski and supported by Rauser, to reopen the Regular Council meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Passed Unanimously

**23-08-139** Moved by Rauser and supported by Filipowski, to retain the services of Collins Einhorn Farrell PC on behalf of the City and City Administrator and further effective to the terms outlined in the retainer.

Passed Unanimously

**23-08-140** Moved by Rauser and supported by Filipowski, to approve the request of Linda Land, City Clerk to close City Hall for all regular business on election day, Tuesday, August 8, 2023, except for matters related to elections.

Passed Unanimously

**23-08-141** Moved by Filipowski and supported by Densmore, to approve the request of the Veterans Affairs Committee to purchase flags, stands and tablecloths not to exceed \$1500.00 (one thousand five hundred dollars).

Passed Unanimously

**23-08-142** Moved by Rauser and supported by Jackson, to recommend that Public Safety return the “no parking” signage to the original status of “no parking” during the months of April thru November.

Passed Unanimously

**23-08-143** Moved by Filipowski and supported by Rauser, to receive and place on file Public Safety resolution 23.07.02.

Passed Unanimously

Second Audience Participation

**23-08-144** 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 \$2,479,362.61 and the electronic transfers in the amount of \$316,257.86.

Passed Unanimously

**23-08-145** Moved by Cartrette and supported by Rauser, to adjourn at 8:55 p.m., no objections, so ordered.

Passed Unanimously

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Mayor Wheeler T. Marsee, Jr.

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Linda Land, City Clerk