

**Monday, October 26, 2020**  
**Minutes of the Special Meeting of the City Council**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A Special Meeting of the South Pasadena City Council was called to order by Mayor Joe on Monday, October 26, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, located at 1424 Mission Street, South Pasadena, California.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present via Zoom:** Councilmembers Cacciotti, Rossi, and Schneider; Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud; and Mayor Joe

**Absent:** None

**City Staff Present:** Interim City Manager Sean Joyce (in attendance via Zoom); Assistant City Attorney Andrew Jared (in attendance via Zoom); and Chief City Clerk Maria E. Ayala were present at Roll Call.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud led the flag salute.

**ACTION/DISCUSSION**

**1. Presentation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019**

Interim City Manager Joyce and Interim Assistant City Manager Elaine Aguilar presented the staff report.

Terry Shea, representative from the City's audit firm Rogers, Anderson, Malody & Scott, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Considerable discussion and various questions were made by Council regarding the following: City's legal fund, various City debt accounts, Mission-Meridian parking lot, bank reconciliations, corrective action plan, etc.

Councilmember Rossi asked that on the letter on Page VII, the second to last sentence on that paragraph, be removed. Staff confirmed that the sentence would be removed.

Mr. Shea, staff, and City Attorney Highsmith responded to Council questions and comments accordingly.

Councilmember Rossi explained that his “no” vote comes as a result of not having sufficient information on all of the financial information included within the document, such as the information he previously requested on the City’s liability for outstanding litigation.

Discussion and various questions were made by Council regarding the disclosure of attorney-client privileged information, the possibility of continuing the item, etc.


City Attorney Highsmith, Mr. Shea, and staff responded to Council comments and questions.

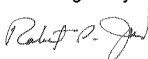
**MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER CACCIOTTI, SECOND MAYOR PRO TEM MAHMUD, CARRIED 4-1 (Rossi) to receive and file the City of South Pasadena’s (City) Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Fiscal Year (FY) ending June 30, 2019.**

Councilmember Cacciotti recommended, with City Council reaching consensus, to provide additional direction to staff as follows: research the possibility of refinancing the City’s debt; seek a recommendation from the Finance Commission on whether or not the City should start funding its own OPEB; review the Mission-Meridian Parking Lot matter; and provide information on addressing the issues that were presented in the management letter in the findings.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Joe adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

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Robert S. Joe  
Mayor

*City Council Approved: 12/02/2020*