

**VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 22, 2025**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
555 Santa Clara Street, Vallejo, California**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Sorce, Vice Mayor Bregenzer, Councilmembers Gordon, Lediju, Matias, Matulac, and Palmares

Absent: None

Staff present: City Manager Murray, City Attorney Nebb and City Clerk Abrahamson

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Nebb reported the following:

- Closed Session Item 4A – Council provided direction to its labor negotiators.
- Closed Session Item 4B & 4C – not discussed. Will be agendized for a future meeting.
- Closed Session Item 4D – Council provided direction.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

Action: *proclamation was read and presented by Councilmember Gordon.*

**A. PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING APRIL 2025 AS
SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH & CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION
MONTH**

6. FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Daniel Boone, Katie Burns and Rayvon Williamson (iHart), Matthew Aguilar, and Sherianne Grimm.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Speakers: Tom Keaney (Item 8H).

8. CONSENT CALENDAR AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action: *moved by Vice Mayor Bregenzer and carried unanimously, unless otherwise noted, approval of the Agenda and the Consent Calendar with the removal of Items 8G and 8H making them Items 8.1 and 8.2.*

A. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Recommendation: Approve minutes from the special meeting of April 1 and the special and regular meetings of April 8

Contact: Dawn G. Abrahamson, MMC, City Clerk (707) 648-4527

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Action: *approved minutes.*

B. **WAIVE FULL READING AND AUTHORIZING INTRODUCTIONS AND/OR ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES BY TITLE ONLY**

Recommendation: Waive reading and authorize introductions and/or adoption of any and all ordinances on this agenda, if any, by title only. This is a standard procedural action so the City Council does not have to read an ordinance in its entirety.

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Action: *waived reading and authorized introductions and/or adoption of any and all ordinances on this agenda, if any, by title only. This is a standard procedural action so the City Council does not have to read an ordinance in its entirety.*

C. **PAYMENT OF CLAIMS: FEBRUARY 2025**

Recommendation: Ratify the payment of claims for the period of February 1, 2025, through February 28, 2025.

Contact: Rekha Nayar, Finance Director (707) 648-4592

Rekha.Nayar@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *ratified payment of claims for the period of February 1-28, 2025.*

D. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE VALLEJO FERRY TERMINAL MOBILITY HUB IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (PROJECT NO. PW9437), AWARDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO DUTCH CONTRACTING, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$199,495.00, REJECTING ALL OTHER BIDS, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT, AND FINDING THE PROJECT EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15301(c) - EXISTING FACILITIES**

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving Plans and Specifications for the Vallejo Ferry Terminal Mobility Hub Improvement Project (Project No. PW9437), awarding a construction contract to Dutch Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$199,495.00, rejecting all other bids, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the construction contract, and finding the project exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c) - Existing Facilities.

Contact: Melissa Tigbao, P.E., Public Works Director (707) 648-4433

Melissa.Tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *adopted Resolution No. 25-043 N.C.*

E. **ACCEPT THE CITYWIDE SLURRY SEAL PROJECT (PW9745), PERFORMED BY PAVEMENT COATINGS CO., AS COMPLETE, AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY CLERK TO FILE A NOTICE OF COMPLETION WITH THE SOLANO COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE**

Recommendation: Accept the Citywide Slurry Seal Project (PW9745), performed by Pavement Coatings Co., as complete, and authorize the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion with the Solano County Recorder's Office.

Contact: Melissa Tigbao, P.E., Public Works Director, (707) 648-4433

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Action: *accepted the Citywide Slurry Seal Project (PW9745), performed by Pavement Coatings Co., as complete, and authorized the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion with the Solano County Recorder's Office*

F. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION FOR THE CITY COUNCIL TO AUTHORIZE A 10-YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH ZOLL ONE FOR 10 ZOLL X SERIES CARDIAC MONITORS/DEFIBRILLATORS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT APPARATUS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$935,415.79 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SAME.**

Recommendation: Adopt the resolution approving the Zoll One Program Master Agreement between the City and Zoll Medical Corporation for a 10-year lease and service of cardiac monitors and associated medical equipment, in the amount of \$935,415.79 (\$500,000 down payment and \$43,541.58 annual payment), and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same.

Contact: Arthur Gonzales, Interim Fire Chief

Arthur.Gonzales@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *adopted Resolution No. 25-044 N.C.*

G. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT; THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO CITY OF VALLEJO HOME INVESTMENT OWNERS PROGRAM REGULATORY AGREEMENT; THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING COVENANT; AND AN ESTOPPEL CERTIFICATE, CONSENT TO ENCUMBER AND AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE NOTICE WHICH WILL ENABLE THE OWNER, MARINA TOWER INVESTMENTS, LP, TO REFINANCE THE MARINA TOWER APARTMENTS, AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT FOR SENIORS, AND PROVIDE REHABILITATION TO THE APARTMENTS**

Recommendation: Staff recommends adopting the resolution to agree to the subordination of the amendments and HUD rider for Marina Towers LP. 1. Affordable Housing Covenant 2. Loan for the Participation Agreement 3. Estoppel certificate for the parking lease, and 4. HOME regulatory agreement with HUD rider.

Contact: Alicia Jones, Housing Director(707) 648-4408

Alicia.Jones@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *item was removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of Councilmember Gordon.*

Housing Director Jones provided an overview of the staff report and responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Action: moved by Vice Mayor Bregenzer and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 25-045 N.C.

H. **NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2024-25 GENERAL FUND BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE \$52,000 OF UNASSIGNED GENERAL FUND BALANCE TO SUPPLEMENT ENTERTAINMENT FUNDING FOR THE 2025 SOLANO COUNTY FAIR (STEP 1)**

Recommendation: Consider adopting a notice of intent to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 General Fund budget to appropriate \$52,000 of unassigned General Fund balance to supplement entertainment funding for the 2025 Solano County Fair ("Fair").

Contact: Andrew Murray, City Manager (707) 648-4565

Andrew.Murray@cityofvallejo.net

Action: removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of Councilmember Lediju.

City Manager Murray provided background information and responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speaker: Askari Sowonde, Tom Keaney and Joe Joyce.

Action: moved by Vice Mayor Bregenzer and carried unanimously to adopt a notice of intent to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 General Fund budget to appropriate \$52,000 of unassigned General Fund balance to supplement entertainment funding for the 2025 Solano County Fair ("Fair") and requested payback coming to the City on behalf of the Fairgrounds be reinvested in future programming for the Fair.

9. **ACTION CALENDAR**

A. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EQUIPMENT PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH L.N. CURTIS & SONS FOR PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$1,100,000.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SAME.**

Recommendation: Adopt the resolution approving the Equipment Purchase Agreement for the purchase of equipment, materials and supplies from L.N. Curtis & Sons (including their Blue Line Division) in an amount not to exceed \$1,100,000.00 for the Vallejo Fire Department and the Vallejo Police Department pursuant to the Master Price Agreement between the Public Procurement Authority and L.N. Curtis & Sons, as amended; and authorize the City Manager to execute the same.

Contact: Arthur Gonzales, Interim Fire Chief

Arthur.Gonzales@cityofvallejo.net

Action: moved by Vice Mayor Bregenzer and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 25-046 N.C.

- B. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR THE MARE ISLAND CAUSEWAY BRIDGE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE PROJECT (PROJECT NO. PW9762); APPROVING THE PROJECT PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE PROJECT; AWARDED A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO CALIFORNIA ENGINEERING CONTRACTORS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,869,755 AND REJECTING ALL OTHER BIDS; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT**

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan for the Mare Island Causeway Bridge Preventative Maintenance Project (Project No. PW9762); approving the Project Plans and Specifications for the Project; awarding a construction contract to California Engineering Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$19,869,755 and rejecting all other bids; and authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract.

Contact: Melissa Tigbao, P.E., Public Works Director (707) 648-4433

Melissa.Tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Transportation Manager Helmbrecht provided an overview of the staff report and outlined the recommendation.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: moved by Vice Mayor Bregenzer and carried to adopt Resolution No. 25-047 N.C. (Noes: Lediju)

- C. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION CREATING A COUNCIL AD-HOC SUBCOMMITTEE TO WORK WITH CITY STAFF ON SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT POLICE REFORM EFFORTS AND APPOINTMENT OF THREE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO THE AD-HOC SUBCOMMITTEE**

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Creation of a Council Ad-hoc Subcommittee to work with City Staff on Settlement Agreement Police Reform Efforts and Appoint Three Members of the City Council to the Ad-hoc Subcommittee.

Contact: Jason Ta, Chief of Police (707) 648-4540

jason.ta@cityofvallejo.net

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Action: moved by Vice Mayor Bregenzer and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 25-048 N.C. appointing Mayor Sorce, Vice Mayor Bregenzer and Councilmember Gordon to the ad-hoc committee.

- D. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPOINTING TWO MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO THE STANDING PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution appointing two members of the City Council to the standing Public Safety Committee

Contact: Dawn G. Abrahamson, MMC, City Clerk (707) 648-4527

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Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: *by consensus of the full Council, staff was directed to return with the item to increase the composition of the Committee from 2 to 3 councilmembers and make the appointments at the next regular council meeting.*

10. INFORMATION CALENDAR

A. BROADWAY PROJECT MONTHLY UPDATE

Recommendation: Receive an update on the Broadway Project.

Contact: Gillian Haen, Assistant City Manager

gillian.haen@cityofvallejo.net

Assistant City Manager Haen provided background information, updates on the project schedule and budget and outlined the final steps.

Speakers: William Baker.

Staff and Heather Chicoine (Firm Foundation) responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

11. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Murray provided an update on the Vallejo Police Department and Vallejo City Unified School District kickoff to the Safe Start to Schools Program.

12. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT – none.

13. COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Melvin Cohen and Tina Arriola.

14. REPORT OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Councilmembers provided reports on community events and meetings attended and shared future agenda item requests

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:47 p.m.

Signed by:

Andrea Sorce

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ANDREA SORCE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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DAWN G. ABRAHAMSON, CITY CLERK