

**VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 19, 2025**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
555 Santa Clara Street, Vallejo, CA 94590**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

Staff: City Manager Murray, City Attorney Nebb and Deputy City Clerk Joya

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY ADOPT ONE OR MORE RESOLUTIONS DIRECTING STAFF TO SUBMIT HOMEKEY+ APPLICATIONS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CO-APPLICANTS ON THREE POTENTIAL PROJECTS AND FINDING SUCH ACTION EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

Recommendation: Consider and possibly adopt one or more resolutions directing staff to submit one or more Homekey+ applications in partnership with co-applicants.

Contact: Andrew Murray, City Manager (707) 648-4576

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City Manager Murray provided background information, outlined the Homekey+ program, reviewed the recommendations of the Broadway Affordable Housing Development Assessment and concluded with a brief overview of the three potential co-applicants' projects and the next steps.

Council provided comment

Mr. Esborg (representing Ethos Environmental) presented a proposed Vista La Terraza affordable housing project.

Mr. Esborg and staff responded to questions. Councilmembers provided comment.

Mr. Cowan (Founder and CEO of Enough Housing) presented a proposed Legacy Village at Maria's Place affordable housing project..

Mr. Cowan and staff responded to questions. Councilmembers provided comment.

The meeting recessed at 8:29 p.m. and reconvened at 8:40 p.m.

Mr. Bhargava (CEO and President of California Supportive Housing) presented a proposed Admiral Apartments affordable housing project.

Mr. Bhargava and staff responded to questions. Councilmembers provided comment.

Speakers: Paula Conley, William Baker, Liat Meitzenheimer, Leslie Janik, Kathleen Diohep, Desmond Jeffries, Sunil Khatri, Anne Carr, The People, Cristal Gallegos (Vallejo Housing Coalition), Mick Penn (Swinerton), and Drew Shawv.

Action: *moved by Mayor Sorce and carried unanimously to direct staff to (1) Create a timeline for the implementation of the MRG Assessment recommendations and additional plans to be prepared for affordable housing projects and report back to the Council by July. (2)Engage with the Housing Justice Coalition and agendize the Community Land Trust. (3)Conduct a Study Session with the Housing and Community Development Commission. (4)Commit to engage with and plan with future Developer.*

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:12 p.m.

Signed by:

Andrea Sorce

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