

AGENDA

VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING 12:30 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.



**CAL MARITIME ANCHOR CENTER
255 Georgia Street, Vallejo, California**

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TELECONFERENCE**

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MAY 5, 2021

MAYOR
Robert H. McConnell

CITY COUNCIL
Vice Mayor, Rozzana Verder-
Aliga, EdD
Tina Arriola
Hakeem Brown
Pippin Dew
Mina Diaz
Katy Miessner

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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL:

You are hereby notified that I do hereby call the Vallejo City Council in special session to consider only the matters stated on the agenda listed below.

NOTICE: Members of the public shall have the opportunity to address the City Council concerning any item listed on the agenda *before or during consideration of that item. No other items may be discussed at this special meeting.*

1. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME BY THE MAYOR

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING COUNCIL GOAL SETTING

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4. AGENDA REVIEW

5. COUNCIL GOAL SETTING DISCUSSION

6. SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING COUNCIL GOAL SETTING

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7. ADJOURNMENT @ 6:30 p.m.

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Dated: Thursday, April 29, 2019

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Robert H. McConnell" followed by a stylized flourish.

Robert H. McConnell, Mayor

I, Dawn Abrahamson, City Clerk do hereby certify that I have caused a true copy of the above notice and agenda to be delivered to each of the members of the Vallejo City Council, at the time and in the manner prescribed by law and that this agenda was posted at City Hall, 555 Santa Clara Street, CA at 5:00 p.m., Thursday, April 29, 2021.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Dawn G. Abrahamson" followed by a stylized flourish.

Dated: Thursday, April 29, 2021

Dawn G. Abrahamson, City Clerk



MEMORANDUM

To: City of Vallejo Mayor McConnell
City of Vallejo Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga
City of Vallejo Councilmembers Arriola, Brown, Dew, Diaz, and
Miessner
City of Vallejo City Manager Nyhoff

From: David A. Harris, President and CEO, Urban Strategies Council

Date: April 29, 2021

Re: Vallejo City Council Goal Setting Retreat

At the March 2, 2021 Vallejo City Council meeting the Council approved a \$40,000 contract to the Urban Strategies Council (USC) to 1) increase overall resident participation in the goal setting process; 2) increase participation of residents who have been historically disengaged from City planning efforts (specifically working class, low-income and residents of color); 3) facilitate the Council's goal setting retreat; and, 4) document outcomes from the goal setting retreat.

USC will center this planning process on the assets, knowledge and feedback of Vallejo's elected leadership, municipal government staff, and city residents (focused on residents who have traditionally not been engaged in the goal setting process). This will be accomplished by conducting a citywide survey, interviewing City leaders and key community stakeholders, and organizing a youth town hall to inform the Council's goal setting process.

To date, over 1000 Vallejo residents have completed USC's survey, 35 individual interviews have been conducted (including the entire Council and City executive staff), and 10 youth participated in a virtual town hall.

The goal setting retreat, scheduled for May 5-6, has one primary goal – **to identify and adopt 3-5 measurable goals to focus the City Council’s leadership efforts and public investment decisions for the fiscal year 2021-22.** Additionally, we also seek to reach consensus on your process for monitoring/reporting on progress towards the goals.

At the retreat, USC will share findings from our research activities and facilitate your deliberations. We need your help, in advance, to assist our plans for meeting facilitation. Specifically, I ask you to think about and be prepared to answer the following questions during the retreat:

1. What are your specific expectations for a successful retreat (in addition to the previously stated retreat goal)?
2. What do you love most about Vallejo?
3. Why did you decide to run for City leadership?
4. What is your preferred learning style (visual, audio, text, etc.)?
5. Identify 3-5 words that describe your vision (in 5 years) for Vallejo.
(Note – All words must be adjectives describing the City you see in the year 2026).

At the start of the retreat, you will have up to five minutes to answer questions 1-4. Please note – we will be adhering to a strict time schedule and you will be on the clock.

We will come back to the fifth question later in the retreat (after presenting the research findings). You will have three minutes to share your word answers for question #5. Please begin be prepared to state the words you’ve chosen and share why you’ve chosen the words.

The Council doesn’t have an established vision statement (as far as I can tell). You can’t define your goals unless you define your vision. We will not work on constructing a vision statement at the retreat. Nonetheless, we will identify common ‘vision’ words to help inform the goal setting discussion.

I look forward to seeing you next Wednesday and am honored to have been of service to you and the residents of Vallejo. I’m excited and feel energized - there is much love for your city, and great opportunity for your leadership.

