

**VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

MARCH 2, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor McConnell, Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga (arrived at 6:03 p.m.), Councilmembers Arriola, Brown (arrived at 6:15 p.m.), Dew (arrived at 6:03 p.m.), Diaz, and Miessner

Staff present: City Manager Nyhoff, City Attorney Nebb and Assistant City Attorney Cardwell

4. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING STUDY SESSION PRESENTATION

Speakers: Melissa Swift and Ann Carr

5. STUDY SESSION

DEPARTMENT PRESENTATIONS

Update from Police, Fire, Planning & Development Services, Economic Development, Public Works, and Information Technology Departments on Accomplishments, Projects and Challenges

Recommendation: There is no staff report for this item. Informational only. No action required.

Police Chief Williams provided an overview of the Department's accomplishments and projects and discussed challenges.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Fire Chief Arbuthnott provided an overview of the Department's accomplishments and projects and discussed challenges.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Interim Deputy Manager Hayes and Interim Planning & Development Services Director Ratcliffe provided an overview of the Department's accomplishments and projects and discussed challenges.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Interim Deputy Manager Hayes and Economic Development Manager Kelley provided an overview of the Department's accomplishments and projects and discussed challenges.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Public Works Director Davis provided an overview of the Department's accomplishments and projects and discussed challenges.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Chief Innovation Officer Ashraf provided an overview of the Department's accomplishments and projects and discussed challenges.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

6. ACTION CALENDAR

A. CONSIDERATION OF FACILITATOR PROPOSAL FOR CITY COUNCIL GOAL SETTING SESSION AND PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF

Recommendation: Receive and review a proposal from Urban Strategies for the City Council Goal Setting Session and provide direction to staff.

Contact: Anne Cardwell, Assistant City Manager (707) 648-4579

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Assistant City Manager Cardwell provided an overview of the staff report and discussed the recommendation.

Speakers: David Harris from Urban Strategies responded to questions regarding his proposal.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to proceed with the Urban Strategies proposal.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:43 p.m.

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