

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

APRIL 27, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor McConnell, Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga, Councilmembers Arriola, Brown (arrived at 7:06 p.m.), Dew (arrived at 7:06 p.m.), Diaz, and Miessner

Absent: None

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

4. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Nebb reported that Council provided direction to staff on Closed Session Items 3A, 3B and 3C.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

Action: Presentations were made by Mayor McConnell and Daryl Halls, Executive Director, Solano Transportation Authority.

A. **PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MAY 2-8, 2021 AS "DRINKING WATER WEEK"**

B. **SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY UPDATE**

C. **PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MONTH OF RAMADAN - APRIL 2021**

6. FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: several unidentified members of the public, Melissa Swift and Rusal Cayangyang.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Speakers: Ken Szutu (Consent Item D) and Ally (Consent Item I).

8. CONSENT CALENDAR AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Speakers: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously, unless otherwise noted, approval of the Agenda and the Consent Calendar with the removal of Items D and I from the Consent Calendar making them Items 8.1 and 8.2. respectively.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation: Approve minutes of the Special and Regular Meetings of April 13, 2021

Contact: Dawn G. Abrahamson, City Clerk (707) 648-4528

Dawn.Abrahamson@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Approved minutes.

B. WAIVE READING AND AUTHORIZE 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.

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

Dawn.Abrahamson@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Waived reading and authorized introductions and/or adoption of any and all ordinances on this Agenda, if any, by title only.

C. NOTICE PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 703 OF PROPOSED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET AMENDMENT TO REALLOCATE CDBG PROGRAM FUNDS TO PROJECT ROOMKEY (STEP 1 OF 2)

Recommendation: Announce the notice of proposed budget amendment. Receive and file the City Manager's request to amend the Community Development Block Grant Program Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021 Budget to reallocate funds to Project RoomKey.

Contact: Judy Shepard-Hall, Housing & Community Development Division Manager, (707) 648-4408

judy.shepard-hall@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Announced the notice of proposed budget amendment. Received and

filed the City Manager's request to amend the Community Development Block Grant Program Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021 Budget to reallocate funds to Project RoomKey

D. **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR THE FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Funding Agreement with Community Housing Development Corporation (CHDC) to provide first-time homebuyer assistance loans and closing cost grants to Vallejo residents.

Contact: Judy Shepard-Hall, Housing & Community Development Program Manager, (707) 648-4408

Judy.Shepard-Hall@cityofvallejo.net

Action: item was removed from the Consent Calendar.

Staff responded to questions from raised by Mr. Szutu.

Action taken was combined with Item I and followed staff responding to questions raised by Ally. Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried to authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Funding Agreement with Community Housing Development Corporation (CHDC) to provide first-time homebuyer assistance loans and closing cost grants to Vallejo residents (Noes: Arriola and Diaz)

E. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF NORTH RICHMOND FOR THE FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute a HOME Investment Partnerships Program Funding Agreement with Community Housing Development Corporation (CHDC) to provide first-time homebuyer assistance loans and closing cost grants to Vallejo residents.

Contact: Judy Shepard-Hall, Housing & Community Development Program Manager, (707) 648-4408

Judy.Shepard-Hall@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute a HOME

Investment Partnerships Program Funding Agreement with Community Housing Development Corporation (CHDC) to provide first-time homebuyer assistance loans and closing cost grants to Vallejo residents

F. **REPORT ON EMERGENCY EXPENDITURE FOR CORDELIA PUMPING COMPLEX BACK-UP GENERATOR RENTAL (PETERSON POWER)**

Recommendation: Receive and file, pursuant to City of Vallejo Municipal Code Section 3.20.090(A)(1), the staff report to advise the City Council of the total emergency expenditure of approximately \$891,338 (\$241,338.25 through January 2021 plus an estimated \$650,000 in rental and run costs) through June 30, 2022, to vendor Peterson Power. This amount is necessary to secure and retain temporary back-up power for the Cordelia Pumping Complex in response to Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E)'s Public Safety Power Shut-Off (PSPS) Program while completing the Water Department's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Project WT7065 .

Contact: Mike Malone, Water Director (707) 648-4308

mike.malone@cityofvallejo.net

John Palesi, Water Facilities Superintendent (707) 648-4519

john.palesi@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Received and filed, pursuant to City of Vallejo Municipal Code Section 3.20.090(A)(1), the staff report to advise the City Council of the total emergency expenditure of approximately \$891,338 (\$241,338.25 through January 2021 plus an estimated \$650,000 in rental and run costs) through June 30, 2022, to vendor Peterson Power. This amount is necessary to secure and retain temporary back-up power for the Cordelia Pumping Complex in response to Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E)'s Public Safety Power Shut-Off (PSPS) Program while completing the Water Department's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Project WT7065 .

G. **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF A BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER TO REXEL USA NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 FOR ONGOING PURCHASES RELATED TO THE CITY'S WATER TREATMENT AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM**

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to approve a blanket Purchase Order to Rexel USA, not to exceed \$250,000, for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

Contact: Mike Malone, Water Director (707) 648-4308

mike.malone@cityofvallejo.net

John Palesi, Facilities Superintendent (707) 648-4519

john.palesi@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Authorized the City Manager to approve a blanket Purchase Order to Rexel USA, not to exceed \$250,000, for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

H. **AMENDMENT TO AXON ENTERPRISES AGREEMENT FOR FLEET 3 IN-CAR CAMERAS**

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute the Third Amendment to the Master Agreement with Axon Enterprises in the amount of \$103,975 per year for five years totaling \$519,874. The new not to exceed amount for the Axon Enterprise Master Agreement would be \$2,237,346 for public safety technology.

Contact: Michael Kihmm, Deputy Chief of Police (707)-648-4540

michael.kihmm@cityofvallejo.net

Todd Tribble, Captain of Police (707) 917-4418

todd.tribble@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Authorized the City Manager to execute the Third Amendment to the Master Agreement with Axon Enterprises in the amount of \$103,975 per year for five years totaling \$519,874. The new not to exceed amount for the Axon Enterprise Master Agreement would be \$2,237,346 for public safety technology.

I. **CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT; AND NOTICE OF UPCOMING BUDGET AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO THE TWO-STEP PROCESS SET FORTH IN CHARTER SECTION 703**

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant awarded in the amount of \$30,000 from the Urban Area Security Initiative for homeland security projects.
2. Receive and file the City Manager's request to amend Fiscal Year 2020-21 Police Department General Fund budget to recognize revenue from the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) in the amount of \$30,000 and appropriate expenditures of \$30,000.

Contact: Jason Potts, Captain of Police, 707-651-7105

jason.potts@cityofvallejo.net

Action: item was removed from the Consent Calendar.

Staff responded to questions raised by Ally.

Action taken was combined with Item D. Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried to: (1) adopt Resolution No. 21-041 N.C. and (2) Receive and file the City Manager's request to amend Fiscal Year 2020-21 Police Department General Fund budget to recognize revenue from the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) in the amount of \$30,000 and appropriate expenditures of \$30,000 (Noes: Arriola and Diaz)

J. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION FOR WATER MARKETING STRATEGY FUNDING OPPORTUNITY R21AS00278**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation to receive funding up to \$200,000 for the WaterSMART Water Marketing Strategy Grant.

Contact: Mike Malone, Water Director (707) 648-4308

mike.malone@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 21-042 N.C.

K. **CDWG INC. BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER INCREASE AUTHORIZATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 20-2021**

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to increase the blanket purchase order number (035415) with CDWG Inc. under contract number (18-FN097) from \$384,899.00 to \$600,000.

Contact: Naveed Ashraf, Chief Innovation Officer & IT Director

Naveed.Ashraf@cityofvallejo.net (707) 648-5200

Action: Authorized the City Manager to increase the blanket purchase order number (035415) with CDWG Inc. under contract number (18-FN097) from \$384,899.00 to \$600,000.

9. **ACTION CALENDAR**

A. **CONSIDERATION OF THE ADVANCE PEACE PROJECT**

Recommendation: Receive a presentation on Advance Peace and provide direction to staff to pursue funding via the American Rescue Plan (ARP) and/or other federal stimulus funding becoming available to cities, as well as exploring partnership with anchor institutions in the community.

Contact: Anne Cardwell, Assistant City Manager (707) 648-5404

anne.cardwell@cityofvallejo.net

DeVone Boggan (Chief Executive Officer, Advance Peace) provided an overview of the Project.

Staff and Mr. Boggan responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Jameelah H., Ruscal Cayangyang, SJ, Ally, and Teri Carlyle.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment and direction to staff.

B. **REQUEST FROM THE MAYOR TO ADD AN AGENDA ITEM AT A SUBSEQUENT MEETING REGARDING FORMING A POLICE TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

Recommendation: Consider Mayor McConnell's request that the Council add to a future agenda the formation of an advisory ad hoc police technology citizens committee with a suggested composition of 1 Vallejo resident from each of the 6 council district areas, 2 police department designees, and 2 volunteer police technology expert advisors not limited to being from within the City of Vallejo city limits. The charge of the committee would be to study and discuss the available and developing police technology, use thereof, the cost effectiveness of present, developing, and anticipated police technology, and provide recommendations to the Council on purchase of police technology devices and policy and procedure relating to use.

Contact: Mayor McConnell
Robert.McConnell@cityofvallejo.net

Mayor McConnell discussed the nature of his request and responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Sasha Skau, Ally, Tracy Rosenberg, Kerby Lynch, Kris Kelley, Maui, Raquel Ortega, and Drew Skau.

Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to direct staff to add this as an item on the Council's July 13 agenda.

C. **WAIVE FULL READING AND AUTHORIZE INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 7.54 OF THE VALLEJO MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING PROPERTY MAINTENANCE**

Recommendation: Waive full reading and introduce an Ordinance amending Chapter 7.54 of the Vallejo Municipal Code to update the Property Maintenance Ordinance.

Contact: Veronica A.F. Nebb, City Attorney (707) 648-4456

Veronica.Nebb@cityofvallejo.net

Hai Phan, Deputy City Attorney (707) 648-4146

Hai.Phan@cityofvallejo.net

City Attorney Nebb provided introductory comments.

Deputy City Attorney Phan provided an overview of the proposed amendment and summarized the changes.

City Clerk Abrahamson read a letter on behalf of Code Enforcement Appeals Boardmember Nash.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to waive full reading and introduce an Ordinance amending Chapter 7.54 of the Vallejo Municipal Code to update the Property Maintenance Ordinance.

D. **NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND WATER DEPARTMENT FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2020-2021 BUDGET AND PROPOSED FY 2021-22 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT**

Recommendation: Receive Water Department's notice of intent to amend the Water Fund Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget to recognize bond proceeds (Series 2021A Water Revenue Bonds) received in February 2021 in the amount of \$51,272,855.76 and adopt a Resolution approving the Water Department Proposed Capital Improvement Program Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Contact: Mike Malone, Water Director (707) 648-4301

Mike.Malone@cityofvallejo.net

Water Director Malone provided an overview of the FY 21-22 Water Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and proposed Council actions, summarized the FY 21-22 funding and priorities, reviewed FY 21-22 CIP projects by type,

provided a graphic illustration of 5-Year Summary, outlined design and construction projects, and concluded with highlights of FY 21-22 Water projects.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to receive Water Department's notice of intent to amend the Water Fund Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget to recognize bond proceeds (Series 2021A Water Revenue Bonds) received in February 2021 in the amount of \$51,272,855.76 and adopt Resolution No. 21-043 N.C., a resolution approving the Water Department Proposed Capital Improvement Program Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

E. **CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DISPLAY OF 3 CITY COMMEMORATIVE FLAGS**

Recommendation: Consider and adopt a resolution authorizing City Staff to display the National Law Enforcement Officer Memorial Fund, Juneteenth and Pride City commemorative flags at city facilities for the dates specified.

Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works Director (707) 648-4301
Terrance.Davis@cityofvallejo.net

Public Works Director Davis provided an overview of the nature of the requests and highlighted staff's recommendation.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Don Jordan and Ally.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 21-044 N.C.

10. **INFORMATION CALENDAR** – None.

11. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT** – None.

12. **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

A. **QUARTERLY REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021, THIRD QUARTER
(JANUARY - MARCH 2021)**

Recommendation: Informational item only. No action is required.

Contact: Veronica A.F. Nebb, City Attorney (707) 648-4545

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13. COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Ally.

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

A. **REPORT FROM COUNCILMEMBERS DEW AND DIAZ ON ACTIONS OF
THE VALLEJO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNCIL TASK FORCE**

Following the report by Councilmembers Dew and Diaz, Councilmembers reported on community and constituent matters and events attended

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:02 a.m.

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ROBERT H. MCCONNELL

ROBERT H. MCCONNELL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Dawn G. Abrahamson

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CITY CLERK