

**CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

JUNE 8, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor McConnell, Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga, Councilmembers Arriola, Brown, Dew, Diaz, and Miessner

Absent: None

Staff present: Acting City Manager Cardwell, City Attorney Nebb and City Clerk Abrahamson

Mayor McConnell announced Action Calendar Item 8E would be continued to the June 22, 2021 regular city council meeting.

City Attorney Nebb reported that Council provided direction to the City Attorney's Office related to the item on the Closed Session agenda held at 4:31 p.m. this evening.

4. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

Action: Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga read the proclamation.

A. PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF PHILIPPINE CULTURAL MONTH - JUNE 2021

5. FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Melissa Swift, Victoria Grace, Katie Seraphin, Ally, Shastin, Anne Carr, Daniel Glaze and an unidentified member of the public.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Speakers: Brad Beltane, Roz Roberts, HelenMarie Gordon, and Gretchen Zimmerman (related to Item G). Ally (related to Items C and G).

7. CONSENT CALENDAR AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously, unless otherwise

noted, approval of the Agenda and the Consent Calendar with Action Calendar Item 8E being continued to the June 22, 2021 regular City Council meeting.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation: Approve minutes of the special meeting of May 24, 2021 and the special and regular meetings of May 25, 2021

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

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.

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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. ADOPT ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 3.62 TO TITLE 3 OF THE VALLEJO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH THE COSTCO LOAN SPECIAL FUND

Recommendation: Waive full reading and read by title only, adoption of an ordinance adding Chapter 3.62 to Title 3 of the Vallejo Municipal Code to establish the Costco Loan Special Fund which shall serve as the depository for "net New Retail Project (Site Specific Tax) SST Revenues" generated by the Project and thereafter remitted to Costco on an annual basis to repay the Costco Loan.

Contact: Paul Kelley, Economic Development Manager (707) 649-5452

Paul.Kelley@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Waived full reading and read by title only, adopting Ordinance No. 1851 N.C. (2d).

D. **PAYMENT OF CLAIMS: APRIL 2021**

Recommendation: Ratify the payment of claims for the period of April 1, 2021 through April 30, 2021.

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

Rekha.Nayar@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Ratified payment of claims for April 1-30, 2021.

E. **ADOPTION OF STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY**

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving the revised Statement of Investment Policy (Attachment 2).

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

Rekha.Nayar@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 21-062 N.C.

F. **FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 CITY OF VALLEJO GANN APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT**

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution establishing the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Appropriations Limit at \$157,109,722 for the City of Vallejo.

Contact: Rekha Nayar, Finance Director. 707-648-4592

Rekha.Nayar@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 21-063 N.C.

G. **CONSIDER AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION FOR HOMELESS NAVIGATION CENTER PROJECT ESTABLISHMENT AND FY20-21 BUDGET AMENDMENT (STEP 2 OF 2)**

Recommendation:

Adopt a Resolution to:

1. Establish a Capital Improvement Project (CIP) - PW9433: Homeless Navigation Center Project; and
2. Amend the FY 2020-21 CIP budget allocation in the amount of \$106,850 of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Fund and appropriating the funding for PW9433: Homeless Navigation Center Project; and
3. Authorize the total expenditure of \$106,850 funds in PW9433: Homeless Navigation Center Project.

Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works Director (707) 648-4301

Terrance.Davis@cityofvallejo.net

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

Anne.Cardwell@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 21-064 N.C.

H. **ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE WATER ENTERPRISE FUND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET (STEP 2 OF 2)**

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution to amend the Water Enterprise Fund Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Fiscal Year 2020-21 budget to recognize revenue in the amount of \$200,000 from the one-time sale of 1,000 acre-feet of Vallejo's State Permit Water (license 7848) to the City of Benicia.

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

mike.malone@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 21-065 N.C.

8. **ACTION CALENDAR**

A. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING PROJECT CLOSURE AND FUND REALLOCATION**

Recommendation: Acknowledge the closure of completed Participatory Budgeting projects and adopt a resolution authorizing the reallocation of \$174,165 unspent funds to provide additional support for "Fixing Pets & Feral Cats for Better Health," "Foster Youth Support Services," "Meals on Wheels – Senior Nutrition Program," "After School Sports Program," "Financial Literacy for Youth and Families," "Youth Firefighter Academy," and "Bully Proof Our Kids Program."

Contact: Felicia Flores, Administrative Analyst II (707) 648-4527

Felicia.Flores@cityofvallejo.net

Administrative Analyst Flores provided a Program status recap, reviewed completed projects with funding fully spent and completed projects with unspent funds, and outlined the reallocation process and recommendation for Council to consider.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Ally and Liat Meitzenheimer.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Verder-Aliga and carried to adopt Resolution No. 21-066 N.C. with a friendly amendment offered by Councilmember Diaz and accepted by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga to allocate an additional \$10,000 from the \$41,031 proposed allocation to the Humane Society to Meals on Wheels increasing the total allocation to Meals on Wheels to \$24,657 and decreasing the allocation to the Humane Society to \$31,031 (Noes: Miessner).

B. REQUEST FROM COUNCILMEMBER ARRIOLA TO ADD AN AGENDA ITEM AT A SUBSEQUENT MEETING REGARDING NAMING THE NAVIGATION CENTER IN MEMORY OF MARIA GUEVARA

Recommendation: Consider Councilmember Arriola's request and direct staff to prepare and present relevant materials at a subsequent meeting.

Contact: Councilmember Arriola

Tina.Arriola@cityofvallejo.net

Councilmember Arriola discussed her request.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: HelenMarie Gordon and Ruscal Cayangyang.

Action: Moved by Mayor McConnell to agendize the matter to a date to be selected by staff.

A substitute motion was offered by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried to postpone the request until a later time until a Naming Policy is presented and considered by the Council. (Ayes: Brown, Dew, Miessner, and Verder-Aliga; Noes: McConnell, Arriola and Diaz).

C. HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 BUDGET

Recommendation:

Hold a public hearing and take public input for the FY 2021-22 Budget, and adopt five Resolutions as follows:

1. Resolution Adopting the FY 2021-22 Budget for the City of Vallejo, as set forth in **Attachment B**.
2. Resolution Adopting the FY 2021-22 Positions and Salaries as set forth in **Attachment C**.
3. Resolution Approving the FY 2021-22 Blue Rock Springs Golf Course Fees and Charges schedule, as set forth in **Attachment D**.
4. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase Vehicles Scheduled and Funded for Replacement in FY 2021-22, as set forth in **Attachment E**.
5. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to execute purchase orders for the vendors and amounts for FY 2021-22, as set forth in **Attachment F**.

Contact: Rekha Nayar, Finance Director; (707) 648-5433

Rekha.Nayar@cityofvallejo.net

Assistant City Manager Cardwell provided introductory comments.

Finance Director Nayar reviewed the proposed FY 21-22 budget and various funds, including changes/addendum after the May 12 version was released.

Police Chief Williams, Acting Fire Chief Long, Public Works Director Davis, Interim Planning & Development Services Director Ratcliffe, and Water Director Malone, provided updates on their respective departments budgets, discussed capacity and operational needs and highlighted proposed projects.

Finance Director Nayar provided closing comments.

Mayor McConnell opened the public hearing.

The meeting recessed at 9:49 p.m. and reconvened at 10:00 p.m.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Melissa Swift, Brad Beltane, Francis Yu, Shastin, Louis Michael, Lei Duenas, Ruscal Cayangyang, Sean MacCracken, Katie Seraphin, Ally, Anne, Carr, Ashley Murphy and Jenna H.

There being no further speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga to: (1) Adopt Resolution No. 21-067 N.C.; (2) Adopt Resolution No. 21-068 N.C.; (3) Adopt Resolution No. 21-069 N.C.; (4) Adopt Resolution No. 21-070 N.C.; and (5) Adopt Resolution No. 21-071 N.C.

A substitute motion was offered by Mayor McConnell, which failed to continue this matter to the June 22, 2021 regular City Council Meeting (Ayes: McConnell, Arriola and Diaz; Noes: Brown, Dew, Miessner, and Verder-Aliga).

Council returned to the main motion as offered by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga which carried to: (1) Adopt Resolution No. 21-067 N.C.; (2) Adopt Resolution No. 21-068 N.C.; (3) Adopt Resolution No. 21-069 N.C.; (4) Adopt Resolution No. 21-070 N.C.; and (5) Adopt Resolution No. 21-071 N.C. (Ayes: Brown, Dew, Miessner, and Verder-Aliga; Noes: McConnell, Arriola and Diaz).

D. **HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2021-2022 THROUGH 2025-2026**

Recommendation:

1. Hold a Public Hearing, take public input, and adopt a Resolution approving the Capital Improvement Program Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and accepting the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Years 2021-2022 through 2025-2026.
2. Adopt a Resolution to establish a list of proposed projects to be submitted for Senate Bill 1 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account funding for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

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

Public Works Director Davis provided an overview of the Public Works Department FY 21-22 CIP including the prioritization criteria, summarized the 5 year Public Works Department CIP and reviewed FY 21-22 CIP Public Works projects, pavement conditions and rehab and transportation.

Mayor McConnell opened the public hearing.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Ally.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to (1) Adopt Resolution No. 21-072 N.C. and (2) Adopt Resolution No. 21-073 N.C.

- E. **PUBLIC HEARING - CONFIRMING AND LEVYING ASSESSMENTS AGAINST PROPERTIES FOR UNPAID GARBAGE BILLS**
Recommendation: Conduct a public hearing and adopt a resolution confirming and levying assessments against properties for unpaid garbage bills.
Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works Director (707) 648-4301
Terrance.Davis@cityofvallejo.net
Derek Crutchfield, Recycling Coordinator (707) 648-5346
Derek.Crutchfield@cityofvallejo.net
Action: This item was continued to the June 22, 2021 regular City Council meeting.

- F. **HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL LEVY REPORT AND COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS ON PROPERTIES IN THE IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 1911 LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022**
Recommendation: Hold a public hearing and take public input, and adopt a resolution that approves the Overview Report and orders the levy and collection of assessments on properties in 14 Landscape Maintenance Districts (LMD) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022.
Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works Director (707) 648-4301
terrance.davis@cityofvallejo.net
Jason Lacey, Landscape Maintenance Manager (707) 553-7219
jason.lacey@cityofvallejo.net

Councilmember Diaz recused herself from this item due to a conflict of interesting related to owning property in the LMD and left the virtual meeting.

Mayor McConnell opened the public hearing. There being no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Action: Moved by Mayor McConnell and carried to adopt Resolution No. 21-

074 N.C. (Abstain Due to Conflict of Interest: Diaz).

Councilmember Diaz returned to the virtual meeting.

G. **HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL LEVY REPORT AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS ON PROPERTIES IN THE LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING ACT OF 1972 LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022**

Recommendation: Hold a public hearing and take input, and adopt a Resolution that approves the Engineer's Report and orders the levy and collection of assessments on properties in twelve (12) Landscape Maintenance Districts (LMD) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022.

Contact: Terrance Davis , Public Works Director (707) 648-4301

terrance.davis@cityofvallejo.net

Jason Lacey, Landscape Maintenance Manager (707) 553-7219

jason.lacey@cityofvallejo.net

Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and Councilmember Dew recused themselves due to Conflicts of Interest related to owning property in the LMD and left the virtual meeting.

Mayor McConnell opened the public hearing. There being no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Action: Moved by Mayor McConnell and carried to adopt Resolution No. 21-075 N.C. (Abstain Due to Conflict of Interest: Verder-Aliga and Dew).

Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and Councilmember Dew returned to the virtual meeting.

H. **HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNUAL LEVY REPORT AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS ON PROPERTIES IN THE HIDDENBROOKE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22**

Recommendation: Hold a Public Hearing and take public input, and adopt a Resolution that approves the Engineer's Report and orders the levy and collection of assessments on properties in the Hiddenbrooke Maintenance District (HMD) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022.

Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works Director (707) 648-4301

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Jason Lacey, Landscape Maintenance Manager (707) 553-7219
jason.lacey@cityofvallejo.net

Mayor McConnell opened the public hearing. There being no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Action: Moved by Mayor McConnell and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 21-076 N.C.

I. **CITY COUNCIL DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING THE CITY'S POSITION ON CALIFORNIA'S CONGRESSIONAL, STATE ASSEMBLY & STATE SENATE REDISTRICTING EFFORTS**

Recommendation: Discuss the City Council's position on California Redistricting and provide direction to staff regarding the City's preferred Congressional, State Assembly, and State Senate District.

Contact: Felicia Flores, Administrative Analyst (707) 648-4576
felicia.flores@cityofvallejo.net

Action: item was continued to the June 22, 2021 regular City Council meeting.

9. **INFORMATION CALENDAR – None.**

10. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

Assistant City Manager Cardwell reported that the Oakwood Apartments appeal originally scheduled for a special Council meeting on June 15 is being rescheduled to June 29, 2021.

11. **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT – None.**

12. **COMMUNITY FORUM**

Speakers: Gretchen Zimmermann.

13. **REPORT OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Councilmembers reported on community events and meetings attended.

14. **CLOSED SESSION – City Attorney Nebb provided a report at the beginning of the meeting.**

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:22 a.m.

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ROBERT H. MCCONNELL

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ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK