

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

JUNE 22, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:27 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Acting City Manager Cardwell, City Attorney Nebb and City Clerk Abrahamson

4. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Nebb reported that Council provided direction to legal counsel on Closed Session Item 3A as reflected on the special meeting agenda as well as to Closed Session Item 3B for one case. The second case related to Closed Session Item 3B and Closed Session Item 3C were not heard this evening and will be brought back at a later date.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

Action: Presentations were made by Councilmember Brown and Bart Ney, Aaron Wang and Martin Mercado (CalTrans).

A. **PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE WEEK OF JUNE 19, 2021 AS "JUNETEENTH WEEK" IN THE CITY OF VALLEJO**

B. **PRESENTATION BY CALTRANS ON THE I-80/SR 29 SEPARATION PROJECT**

6. FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Melissa Swift and Ruscal Cayangyang.

Following the First Community Forum, Action Calendar Item 9B – Public Hearing to Receive Input from the Community Regarding the Redrawing of Election District Boundaries was heard by the Council. At the conclusion of this public hearing, Public

Comment Regarding Consent Calendar Items was heard by the Council with all other items following in the order as they appeared on the agenda.

The minutes reflect the items in the order as they appear on the agenda.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Speakers: Jimmy Genn and Cookie Gordon (Consent Item 8C).

8. 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.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation: Approve minutes of the special meeting of June 7 and the special and regular meetings of June 8, 2021

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

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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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C. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO THE COMPREHENSIVE UPDATE OF THE CITY OF VALLEJO ZONING CODE, RELATED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, AND GENERAL PLAN AND SPECIFIC PLAN AMENDMENTS

Recommendation:

1. Adopt an ordinance to repeal the Northgate Specific Plan/Planned Development Master Plan and Planned Unit Development #575 and #582 as part of the new Zoning Code Project.
2. Adopt an ordinance to amend the Downtown Vallejo Specific Plan/Planned Development Master Plan as part of the New Zoning Code Project.
3. Adopt an ordinance to amend the White Slough Specific Area Plan as part of the new Zoning Code Project.
4. Adopt an ordinance to repeal the Zoning Code, Title 16 of the Vallejo Municipal Code, and repeal the Zoning Map and adopt the New Zoning Code as a reenactment of Title 16 and adopt the New Zoning Map.
5. Allow reading of above stated ordinances identified in Numbers 1 through 4 above by title only, waive reading of the entire ordinances, pursuant to Government Code Section 25131, and adopt the ordinances.

Contact: Christina Ratcliffe, AICP, Interim Planning & Development Services Director

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Michelle Hightower, Senior Planner

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Action: Conducted second reading of ordinances as identified in Numbers 1 through 4 above by title only, waiving reading of the entire ordinances and adopted Ordinance Nos. 1852, 1853, 1854, and 1855 N.C. (2d).

D. AUTHORIZE AN AMENDMENT EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT'S PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WEST YOST & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute a Third Amendment to the Design Professional Agreement with West Yost & Associates, Inc. extending the term for a period longer than five (5) years.

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

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Action: Authorized the City Manager to execute a Third Amendment to the Design Professional Agreement with West Yost & Associates, Inc. extending the term for a period longer than five (5) years.

E. AUTHORIZE AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT #18-WD070 BETWEEN THE CITY OF VALLEJO AND RAFTELIS FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS INC. TO PROVIDE SPECIALIZED CONSULTING SERVICES TO RESPOND TO THE

**TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)
PERTAINING TO THE BASE'S DRINKING WATER COMMODITY**

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute an amendment to the City's agreement with Raftelis Inc., to facilitate the City's response to Travis Air Force Base's Request for Information, in the amount of \$19,630 for a new contract not-to-exceed amount of \$476,388.

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**F. AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING AND SERVICES
AGREEMENT WITH ALLIED SECURITY SERVICES (FORMERLY FIRST
SECURITY SERVICES)**

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute an amendment to the three-year contract with First Security Services (now Allied Universal Security Services), extending the contract an additional fiscal year (until June 30, 2022), and increasing the not-to-exceed amount on the contract by \$700,000 to cover any additional services utilized.

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

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Jason Ackley, Administrative Analyst II - Parking Program (707) 649-7712

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Action: Authorized the City Manager to execute an amendment to the three-year contract with First Security Services (now Allied Universal Security Services), extending the contract an additional fiscal year (until June 30, 2022), and increasing the not-to-exceed amount on the contract by \$700,000 to cover any additional services utilized.

**G. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SECOND
AMENDMENT TO CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH R3
CONSULTING GROUP**

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute the Second Amendment to the Agreement with R3 Consulting to perform on call services related to the new upcoming Short Lived Climate Pollutant Legislation (SB1383) and various other Solid Waste Franchise Agreement related services. The amount of the Agreement will increase from \$111,500 to

a new not to exceed amount of \$206,500.

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

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Derek Crutchfield, Recycling Coordinator (707) 648-5346

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H. **ISSUE A PROCLAMATION SUPPORTING RE-NAMING OF A U.S. NAVY WARSHIP IN HONOR OF FIREMAN PETTY OFFICER SECOND CLASS TELESFORO TRINIDAD AND SEND TO SECRETARY OF THE NAVY**

Recommendation: Issue proclamation supporting the re-naming of a U.S. Navy warship - an Arleigh Burke-class Aegis Guided Missile Destroyer (DDG) in honor of Fireman Petty Officer Second Class Telesforo Trinidad, a Medal of Honor recipient, for his valor, loyalty, selfless sacrifice and courageous service to the United States of America in accordance with U.S. Navy authority under Title 10 of the United States Code, Section 8662, and send same to the Secretary of the Navy.

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Action: Issued proclamation supporting the re-naming of a U.S. Navy warship - an Arleigh Burke-class Aegis Guided Missile Destroyer (DDG) in honor of Fireman Petty Officer Second Class Telesforo Trinidad, a Medal of Honor recipient, for his valor, loyalty, selfless sacrifice and courageous service to the United States of America in accordance with U.S. Navy authority under Title 10 of the United States Code, Section 8662, and send same to the Secretary of the Navy.

9. **ACTION CALENDAR**

A. **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

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Administrative Analyst Flores discussed the intention and reasons for the recommendation, provided background information, reviewed the boundaries for Congressional District 5, State Senate District 3, and State Assembly District 4, outlined the redistricting process and criteria and timeline and concluded with public participation opportunities.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Council provided direction to staff regarding their preferred Congressional, State Assembly and State Senate Districts with a preference to remain in the same State Senate District as currently represented by Senator Dodd (Senate District 3), remain in the same Congressional District as currently represented by Congressman Thompson (Congressional District 5) and to look at State Assembly District 14, currently represented by Assemblymember Grayson, as Vallejo does not have any commonalties with Contra Costa County and is more aligned with the cities of Napa and American Canyon.

B. PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE INPUT FROM THE COMMUNITY REGARDING THE REDRAWING OF ELECTION DISTRICT BOUNDARIES - THIS PUBLIC HEARING WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY AT 8:00 P.M.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council: 1) receive a report from staff and the demographer on the redistricting process and permissible criteria to be considered to redraw district boundaries; and 2) conduct a public hearing to receive public input on district boundaries.

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

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Mayor McConnell opened the public hearing.

Following announcement of the agenda item and recommendation, City Clerk Abrahamson provided instructions for how to access Spanish and Tagalog

translation services through the Zoom meeting.

City Clerk Abrahamson introduced the item, introduced the Redistricting project team, provided the purpose of tonight's public hearing and background information, introduced the new Redistricting webpage on the City's website, reviewed the schedule of public hearings and community workshops, and introduced Shalice Tilton, demographer from National Demographics Inc. (NDC).

Ms. Tilton reviewed the redistricting process, rules and goals, provided a demographic summary of existing Council Districts, defined neighborhoods, communities of interest and communities, introduced the public mapping and map review tools available to the community, and concluded the presentation with 3 questions for discussion and what can be expected at the second pre-map public hearing scheduled for July 27, 2021.

Staff and Ms. Tilton and Mr. Smith (Tripepi Smith) responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Anne Carr, Andrea Source, HelenMarie Gordon, Brenda Coleman, and Liat Meitzeinheimer.

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

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

C. **CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE WATER RATE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (WRAP) INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF BILL CREDITS UNDER THE PROGRAM AND UPDATING THE RENEWAL PROCESS TIMELINE**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution to amend the Water Rate Assistance Program (WRAP) increasing the amount of bill credits under the program and updating the renewal process timeline.

Contact: Felicia Flores, Administrative Analyst II (707) 648-5404
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Water Director Malone provided background information, reviewed program engagement as of April 2021 and concluded the presentation by outlining current and proposed changes.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 21-077 N.C.

D. **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

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Derek Crutchfield, Recycling Coordinator (707) 648-5346

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Mayor McConnell opened the public hearing.

Public Works Director Davis provided an overview of the staff report and outlined the recommendation.

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

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 21-078 N.C.

10. INFORMATION CALENDAR

A. **ASSIGNMENT OF \$400K FOR COMMUNITY PROGRAMS**

Recommendation: Informational item only. No action by the Council is required. There will be no staff report and only the attachment to this agenda packet for this item.

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

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Finance Director Nayar reviewed the Council's assignment of funding for community programs.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Councilmember Dew read a letter of appreciation from Voices Solano.

Speakers: Jameelah Hanif.

11. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Acting City Manager Cardwell provided an update on the American Rescue Plan Act.

12. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Nebb provided an updated on the recruitment and hiring of two Neighborhood Law Program positions in the City Attorney's Office.

13. COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: HelenMarie Gordon, Jeann McDougald and Anne Carr.

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

Councilmembers reported on various community events and meetings attended.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:24 p.m.

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ROBERT H. MCCONNELL

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ATTEST:

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Dawn G. Abrahamson

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CITY CLERK