

**VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

NOVEMBER 16, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

Staff present: Interim City Manager Malone, City Attorney Nebb and City Clerk Abrahamson

4. SELECTION OF COUNCIL SEATING

Based on seniority, with Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga selecting her seat first followed by Councilmembers seats were selected at the dais.

The meeting recessed at 7:13 p.m. and reconvened at 7:26 p.m.

5. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Nebb reported Council gave direction to its labor negotiators with respect to Closed Session Item 3A.

6. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

Action: Presentations were made by Councilmember Arriola and Dave Vautin, Assistant Director/Major Plans, Bay Area Metro.

A. **PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH, NOVEMBER 2021**

B. **PRESENTATION FROM ABAG/MTC ON PLAN BAY AREA 2050**

7. FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Lillie Hurd, Tom Phillips (Recology), Jason Kishnoff, Ruscal Cayangyang, Meldaline Fanley, Andrea Source, Louis Hampton, and Barbara Gaea.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Speakers: None.

9. 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 the reordering of the Action Calendar making Item 10D Item 10A and all other items to follow in the order reflected on the agenda.

A. 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

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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.

B. PAYMENT OF CLAIMS: SEPTEMBER 2021

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

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

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

C. AMEND FY 2021-22 BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE \$1.26M FOR EDA GRANT AWARD AND LOCAL MATCH CONTRIBUTION (STEP 2 OF 2)

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution to accept the EDA grant, and to amend the Fiscal Year 2021- 2022 Budget of Capital Grant and Contribution Fund# 221 to appropriate EDA grant funds and its related local match contribution, in the combined amount of \$1.26M, to be used for the implementation of the grant.

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Ivette Iraheta, Economic Development Program Manager (707) 645-2622

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Action: Adopted Resolution No. 21-130 N.C.

D. AMEND FY 2021-22 BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE EXPENDITURE OF \$600,000 EPA GRANT PROCEEDS (STEP 2 OF 2)

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution to accept EPA funds and to amend the Fiscal Year 2021- 2022 Capital Grant and Contribution Fund#221 Budget to recognize EPA grant revenues and appropriate EPA grant funds in the amount of \$600,000 to be used for the implementation of the grant.

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Ivette Iraheta, Economic Development Program Manager (707) 645-2622

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Action: Adopted Resolution No. 21-131 N.C.

E. ADOPT A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROJECT ROOMKEY GRANT AWARD AND PROVIDING A NOTICE TO AMEND THE BUDGET TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS RECEIVED THROUGH THE COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP SOLANO, JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY (STEP 1)

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or his designee to accept grant funding in the amount of \$1,220,614.00 for Project Roomkey allocated by the Community Action Partnership (CAP) Solano, Joint Powers Authority (JPA) and execute a Memorandum of Understanding
2. Provide notice to amend the Emergency Disaster Fund budget to recognize revenue and authorize the expenditure of grant funding and the carryforward of funds to support activities associated with Project Roomkey

Contact: Felicia Flores, Assistant to the City Manager, (707) 648-4577

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Action: (1) Adopted Resolution No. 21-132 N.C. and (2) provided notice to amend the Emergency Disaster Fund budget to recognize revenue and authorize the expenditure of grant funding and the carryforward of funds to support activities associated with Project Roomkey

F. AMENDMENT OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 BUDGET TO INCREASE REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$47,000 FOR PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING CYCLE 7 (STEP 2)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution to amend the Fiscal year 2021-22 Adopted Budget to amend the General Fund and the Capital Outlay Fund budget by \$47,000 for additional Participatory Budgeting funds.

Contact: Felicia Flores, Assistant to the City Manager (707) 648-4577

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Action: Adopted Resolution No.21-133 N.C.

G. AUTHORIZE CONSULTANT AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS TO STANTEC CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR EPA GRANT IMPLEMENTATION

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to approve a professional services agreement, and any amendments, with Stantec Consultant Services, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$559,000, for grant management and grant implementation services, for a contract period through June 30, 2025.

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Gillian Hayes, Interim Assistant City Manager (707) 648-4163

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Action: Authorized the City Manager to approve a professional services agreement, and any amendments, with Stantec Consultant Services, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$559,000, for grant management and grant implementation services, for a contract period through June 30, 2025.

H. AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN LETTER OF INTENT WITH THE YOCHA DEHE WINTON NATION AT SEKHA HILLS, 285 MARE ISLAND WAY AND TO NEGOTIATE A REVISED AND EXTENDED LEASE AT 285 MARE ISLAND WAY

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to sign the letter of intent (LOI) with the Yocha Dehe Winton Nation, describing the framework for the revised and extended lease elements and the proposed contribution to the public improvements, such as the Waterfront History Park, and directing staff to negotiate and draft the revised and extended lease particulars as described generally in the LOI.

Contact: Gillian Hayes, Interim Assistant City Manager (707) 648-4163

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Action: Authorized the City Manager to sign the letter of intent (LOI) with the Yocha Dehe Winton Nation, describing the framework for the revised and extended lease elements and the proposed contribution to the public improvements, such as the Waterfront History Park, and directing staff to negotiate and draft the revised and extended lease particulars as described generally in the LOI.

I. CENTRAL SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SOFTWARE UPGRADE

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving and authorizing the City

Manager to execute and implement a contract with Trakit for updated permit processing software in an amount not to exceed \$437,095 over the next five fiscal years.

Contact: Naveed Ashraf, Chief Innovation Officer & IT Director

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Christina Ratcliffe, Interim Planning and Development Services Director

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Action: Adopted Resolution No. 21-134 N.C.

10. ACTION CALENDAR

Items on the Action Calendar were taken out of order with Item 10D first and then all other items in the order reflected on the agenda. The minutes retain the order of items as they appeared on the agenda.

A. UPDATE ON THE PROPOSED PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY AT 300 PHOENIX CIRCLE, DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING THE REMOVAL OF INSPECTION CONTINGENCIES, AND ADOPT RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2021-2022 WATER ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY AT 300 PHOENIX CIRCLE (STEP 2 OF 2)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution to Amend the FY2021-22 Water Enterprise Budget to reflect the expenditure for the purchase of real property at 300 Phoenix Circle in the amount of \$800,000 to include the \$710,000 purchase price and all relevant additional costs.

Contact: Beth Schoenberger, Acting Water Director (707) 648-5439

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Veronica Nebb, City Attorney (707) 648-4545

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Interim City Manager Malone provided introductory comments. Acting Water Director Schoenberger provided an overview of the staff report and outlined the recommendation. City Attorney Nebb provided closing comments. Interim Assistant City Manager Hayes provided clarifying comments.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Andrea Source, Melissa Swift, Anne Carr, Ken Szutu, Phillip Wilson, and Cristal Little.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried to adopt Resolution No. 21-135 N.C. (Noes – Mayor McConnell & Councilmember Arriola).

The meeting recessed at 9:52 p.m. and reconvened at 10:05 p.m.

B. REVIEW OF TENTATIVE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 GOALS AND DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING CURRENT AND FUTURE GOAL-SETTING EFFORTS

Recommendation:

1. Review, define, and prioritize the tentative goals so that staff can draft work plans and begin to execute Council goals.
2. Provide direction on future goal-setting, specifically, considering whether to embark on the development of a long-term strategic plan.

Contact: Felicia Flores, Assistant to the City Manager, (707) 648-4577
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Interim City Manager Malone provided introductory comments. Assistant to the City Manager Flores provided background information, outlined the goal setting process and products, reviewed the priorities for FYs 2018-19, 2019-20/20-21 and 2021-22, discussed the initial listing of goals by category, summarized positive points and present challenges, discussed next steps, presented future goal setting effort options, FY 2022-23 goal setting proposed timeline, and concluded the presentation with an overview of the current proposed goals.

Speakers: Christal Little, Jameelah Haneef, Phillip Wilson, Brian Davis, Amaya Wooding, Calyn Kelley, Melissa Swift, Chris Platzner, Kristen Vinluan, Stephen Hallett, and Anne Carr.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided direction to staff on future goal-setting, including development of a long-term strategic plan.

C. CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE SURVEILLANCE ADVISORY BOARD ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2021 AND REPLACING IT IN ITS ENTIRETY WITH AN AMENDED SURVEILLANCE ADVISORY BOARD ORDINANCE

Recommendation: Discuss the attached ordinance and vote on introducing it.

Contact: Randy Risner, Chief Assistant City Attorney (707) 648-4545
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Chief Assistant City Attorney Risner provided an overview of the proposed changes since Council's adoption of ordinance on September 28, 2021 and outlined the recommendation.

Speakers: Andrea Source, Phillip Wilson, Kris Kelley (ACLU), and Tracy Rosenberg.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to introduce an ordinance repealing the Surveillance Advisory Board Ordinance adopted by Council on September 28, 2021 and replacing it in its entirety with an amended Surveillance Advisory Board ordinance.

D. **REQUEST BY COUNCILMEMBER MIESSNER TO ADD AN AGENDA ITEM AT A SUBSEQUENT MEETING TO ENDORSE ALL HOME CA REGIONAL ACTION PLAN ON HOMELESSNESS**

Recommendation: Consider Councilmember Miessner's request and direct staff to prepare and present relevant materials at a subsequent meeting including a presentation from All Home CA, a regional collective impact partnership, on its Regional Action Plan on homelessness.

Contact: Councilmember Miessner

Katy.Miessner@cityofvallejo.net

Councilmember Miessner discussed the nature of her request and responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Calyn Kelley, Irving Jones, and Kristen Vinluan.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Councilmember Miessner and carried unanimously to direct staff to prepare and present relevant materials at a future Council meeting.

11. INFORMATION CALENDAR

A. **QUARTERLY REPORT TO THE COUNCIL FROM PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION**

Recommendation: Informational item only. There is no action required or staff report associated with this item.

Contact: Christina Ratcliffe, Interim Planning & Development Services Director (707) 648-4326

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Paul Kelley, Special Advisor to the City Manager - Economic Development Manager (707) 649-5452

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Interim Assistant City Manager Hayes provided introductory comments. Interim

Planning & Development Services Director Ratcliffe provided an update on the activities of the Planning and Building Divisions, recent projects approved and being built and a four-year review of revenues and permits.

Special Advisor to the City Manager-Economic Development Manager Kelley provided an update on the activities of the Economic Development Division including Mare Island.

Interim Assistant City Manager Hayes identified and addressed challenges moving forward.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: None.

Councilmembers provided comment.

12. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT – None.

13. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Nebb extended appreciation to Council on her 1 year anniversary and provided a recap of progress made during the past year.

14. COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Gretchen Zimmermann.

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

A. REPORT FROM MAYOR MCCONNELL ON THE 2021 ANNUAL LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES CONFERENCE

Following Mayor McConnell's report, Councilmembers reported on various community events and meetings attended.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:53 a.m.

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ROBERT H. MCCONNELL

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ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK