

**VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 14, 2023**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
555 Santa Clara Street, Vallejo, California**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor McConnell, Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga, Councilmembers Arriola, Bregenzer, Loera-Diaz, Matulac, and Palmares

Absent: None

Staff present: City Manager Malone, Chief Assistant City Attorney Risner, City Attorney Nebb and Deputy City Clerk Joya

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Chief Assistant City Attorney Risner reported Council gave staff direction and authority to settle litigation in the matter of Ortiz, et al. v. Plunkett, et al. Solano County Superior Court, Case No. FCS055898.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

Action: *Presentations were made by Councilmembers Palmares and Arriola and Youth Coordinator Grace-Barksdale*

A. **PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH - MARCH 2023**

B. **PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF WOMEN'S MILITARY HISTORY WEEK - MARCH 13-19, 2023**

C. **RECOGNITION OF 2023 YOUTH DELEGATION TO NLC CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.**

6. FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Daniel Glaze, Mike Hons, Ed Belton, Taner Aksu, Celina Perez

7. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Speakers: Monica Brown

8. CONSENT CALENDAR AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action: *Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to approve the Agenda and the Consent Calendar with the removal of Item 8F making it 8.1.*

A. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Recommendation: Approve minutes for the special meetings of January 31, February 6 and 7 and February 21, and the special and regular meetings of February 28, 2023

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

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Action: *Approved minutes*

B. **WAIVE FULL READING AND AUTHORIZING 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. **ACCEPTANCE OF THE SACRAMENTO STREET BRIDGE (23C-0152) REPLACEMENT PROJECT (PW9798)**

Recommendation: Accept the Sacramento Street Bridge (23C-0152) Replacement Project (PW9798) performed by Gordon N. Ball, Inc., of Alamo, California, as complete and authorize and direct the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion with the Solano County Recorder's Office.

Contact: Melissa Tigbao, Public Works Director (707) 648-4433

Melissa.Tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *Accepted the Sacramento Street Bridge (23C-0152) Replacement Project (PW9798) performed by Gordon N. Ball, Inc., of Alamo, California, as complete and authorized and directed the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion with the Solano County Recorder's Office.*

D. **ADOPT RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF THE 2022 FIRE INSPECTION COMPLIANCE REPORT**

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution acknowledging receipt of the 2022 Fire Inspection Report.

Contact: Kyle D. Long, Fire Chief (707) 552-3285

Kyle.Long@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *Adopted Resolution No. 23-025 N.C.*

E. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2022 OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES IMPLEMENTING CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAMS GRANT AND NOTICING INTENT TO AMEND FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$301,801**

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a resolution accepting a three-year Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Implementing Crisis Intervention Teams grant award totaling \$301,801.
2. As the first in a two-step process, accept notice of intent to amend the Fiscal Year 2022-23 general fund budget for the 2022 Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Implementing Crisis Intervention Teams grant to recognize revenue and appropriate expenditures in the amount of \$301,801.

Contact: Jason Ta, Interim Chief of Police (707) 648-4540
jason.ta@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *Adopted Resolution No. 23-026 N.C. and as the first in a two-step process, accepted notice of intent to amend the Fiscal Year 2022-23 general fund budget for the 2022 Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Implementing Crisis Intervention Teams grant to recognize revenue and appropriate expenditures in the amount of \$301,801.*

F. **ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS (HOME) PROGRAM AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (HOME-ARP) REVISED DRAFT ALLOCATION PLAN IN ORDER TO RECEIVE AND ADMINISTER \$2,213,960 IN FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2021-22 FUNDING FROM THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)**

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving the City's Substantial Amendment to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Annual Action Plan for submission to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which will include the City's HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Revised Allocation Plan.

Contact: Gillian Hayes, Assistant City Manager (707) 648-4163
Gillian.Hayes@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *item was removed from the Consent Calendar.*

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Council provided comment.

Action: *Moved by Councilmember Arriola and carried to adopt Resolution No. 23-027 N.C. (Noes: Arriola)*

G. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY'S RESPONSE TO THE 2021-2022 GRAND JURY REPORT REGARDING SOLANO COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving the response to the 2021-2022 Solano County Grand Jury Report entitled "An Operational Review of Solano County Library Services (SCLS)" and authorize the City Clerk to forward said

response to the Presiding Judge of the Solano County Superior Court and Foreperson of the Solano County Grand Jury

Contact: Melissa Tigbao, Public Works Director (707) 648-4315

Melissa.Tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 23-028 N.C.

H. **AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER EXPRESSING THE CITY OF VALLEJO'S SUPPORT FOR THE SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY'S (STA) CALTRANS CLIMATE ADAPTION PLANNING GRANT PROPOSAL**

Recommendation: Authorize the Mayor to sign a letter on behalf of the City of Vallejo, expressing the City's support for the Solano Transportation Authority's (STA) Caltrans Climate Adaption Planning Grant proposal to develop a Solano Countywide Climate Adaptation Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (SCCAP).

Contact: Melissa Tigbao, Public Works Director (707) 648-4085

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Action: Authorized the Mayor to sign a letter on behalf of the City of Vallejo, expressing the City's support for the Solano Transportation Authority's (STA) Caltrans Climate Adaption Planning Grant proposal to develop a Solano Countywide Climate Adaptation Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (SCCAP).

9. **ACTION CALENDAR**

A. **ADOPT RESOLUTION MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE ECONOMIC VITALITY COMMISSION**

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution making appointments to fill 2 vacancies to the Economic Vitality Commission

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

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The City Council went through an applicant nomination process for the Economic Vitality Commission.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously by Councilmembers present to adopt Resolution No. 23-029 N.C., a resolution appointing Roberto Hernandez and Rob'Lena (Shay) Miles to the Economic Vitality Commission for a term to commence immediately and expire on June 30, 2023.

B. **INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING SECTION 2.10 OF THE VALLEJO MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION**

Recommendation: Introduce an ordinance repealing and replacing Section 2.10 of the Vallejo Municipal Code regarding "Administrative Organization."

Contact: Terrance Davis, Assistant City Manager (707) 648-4301

Terrance.Davis@cityofvallejo.net

Assistant to the City Manager Ackley provided an overview of the staff report and outlined the recommendation.

Mayor McConnell provided comments.

Speakers: None

Action: *Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to introduce an ordinance to repeal and replace Section 2.10 of the Vallejo Municipal Code regarding Administrative Organization.*

C. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONSULTANT AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH 4LEAF, INC. FOR SPECIALIZED CODE ENFORCEMENT SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$205,960 THROUGH JULY 31, 2023**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Consultant and Professional Services Agreement with 4LEAF, Inc. for specialized code enforcement services in an amount not to exceed \$205,960 through JUNE 30, 2023.

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

Chirstina.Ratcliffe@CityofVallejo.net

Planning & Development Services Director Ratcliffe provided an overview of coordinated efforts and responsibilities with Code Enforcement, the Police Department, City Attorney's office and Public Works, discussed 4Leaf proposal standards, training and guidance and introduced Ms. Moela, 4Leaf Director of Code Enforcement and Mr. Tole, 4Leaf Director of Development Services.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Daniel Boone

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: *Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 23-030 N.C. as revised to correct the term of the contract to expire on July 31, 2023.*

The meeting recessed at 9:01 p.m. and reconvened at 9:11 p.m.

D. **CONSIDER REQUEST BY MAYOR MCCONNELL TO CREATE A COUNCIL AD-HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING AND MAKING A RECOMMENDATION REGARDING MARE ISLAND FLOOD & WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE, FEES AND RESPONSIBILITIES (STEP 2)**

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

Contact: Mayor McConnell

Robert.McConnell@cityofvallejo.net

Mayor McConnell discussed the nature of his request.

City Attorney Nebb provided comment.

Council provided comment.

Speakers: Brian Negi

Action: *Moved by Mayor McConnell and carried unanimously to appoint Mayor McConnell, Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga, and Councilmember Palmares to a Council Ad-hoc Committee for the purpose of discussing and making a recommendation regarding Mare Island Flood & Wastewater infrastructure, fees and responsibilities.*

E. **CONSIDER REQUESTS BY MAYOR MCCONNELL AND COUNCILMEMBER MATULAC TO AGENDIZE DISCUSSION AT A SUBSEQUENT MEETING REGARDING CREATING A COUNCIL AD-HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING THE COUNCIL RULES, COUNCIL SENIORITY AND THE CITY CHARTER (STEP 1)**

Recommendation: Consider Mayor McConnell and Councilmember Matulac's requests and direct staff to prepare and present relevant materials at a subsequent meeting

Contact: Mayor McConnell

Robert.McConnell@cityofvallejo.net

Councilmember Matulac discussed the nature of his request related to establishing Council seniority.

Speakers: None

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers, Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: *Moved by Mayor McConnell and carried unanimously to bifurcate the item and agendize discussion at the earliest convenient date, as determined by*

the City Manager to address Council Seniority.

An additional question and answer period followed. Council provided comment.

Action: *Moved by Mayor McConnell and carried unanimously to agendaize discussion to a future meeting date sometime in the month of June (date to be determined by the City Manager) for the creation of a Council Ad-hoc Committee for the purpose of reviewing Council Rules and the City Charter.*

Councilmembers provided additional comment on the item.

10. INFORMATION CALENDAR – None

11. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

City Manager Malone extended appreciation to all community volunteers, and Councilmembers Arriola and Loera-Diaz for volunteering to staff the Warming Center, and invited everyone to visit the City booth at the Farmer’s Market held every the fourth Saturday of every month.

12. CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT – None

13. COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Daniel Boone and Tony S.

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

Councilmembers reported on various community events and meeting attended.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:59 p.m.

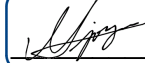
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ROBERT H. MCCONNELL, MAYOR

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ANGELINA JOYA
DEPUTY CITY CLERK