

**VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 10, 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, City Attorney Nebb and City Clerk Abrahamson

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Mayor McConnell reported Council provided direction to its legal counsel regarding Closed Session Items 3A, 3B and 3C. No further action to report.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

Action: *Councilmember Loera-Diaz presented the proclamation.*

**A. PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL
HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH SEPTEMBER 15-OCTOBER 15, 2023**

6. FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Craig Standafer, Bob Woolrey, Ben Clausen, Sherianne Grimm, and Jason Webster.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Speakers: William Baker (Consent 8F) and Daniel Boone (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 with the removal of Item 8E from the Consent Calendar making it Item 8.1.*

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation: Approve minutes for the special meetings of September 19 and 25 and the special and regular meetings of September 26, 2023

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

Dawn.Abrahamson@cityofvallejo.net

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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C. PROVIDE NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND THE MARE ISLAND CONVERSION FUND #106 FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE NAVY GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,953,718

Recommendation: Provide notice of intent to amend the Mare Island Conversion Fund #106 Fiscal Year 2023- 2024 Budget to appropriate Navy grant funds in the amount of \$7,953,718.

Contact: Michael Nimon, Economic Development Director (707) 648-4109

Michael.Nimon@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *provided notice of intent to amend the Mare Island Conversion Fund #106 Fiscal Year 2023- 2024 Budget to appropriate Navy grant funds in the amount of \$7,953,718.*

D. AUTHORIZE THE VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL TO ISSUE A PROCLAMATION AND GRANT A KEY TO THE CITY TO EARL "E-40"

Recommendation: Authorize the Vallejo City Council to grant a Key to the City to Vallejo native Earl "E-40" Stevens and to honor Earl "E-40" Stevens with a proclamation.

Contact: Erik Rzomp, Executive Assistant to the Mayor (707) 648-4377

Erik.Rzomp@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *authorized the Vallejo City Council to grant a Key to the City to Vallejo native Earl "E-40" Stevens and to honor Earl "E-40" Stevens with a proclamation.*

E. ADOPT A RESOLUTION AWARDED CONSULTANT AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MIG, INC. FOR YOUTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND STRATEGIC PLANNING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SAME IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$125,000

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution awarding Consultant and Professional Services Agreement with MIG, Inc. for Youth Needs Assessment and Strategic Planning and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same in an amount not to exceed \$125,000

Contact: Michael Malone, City Manager (707) 648-4308

Mike.Malone@cityofvallejo.net

Action: item was removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of Councilmember Loera-Diaz.

Youth Services Coordinator Grace-Barksdale provided an overview of the RFP and the selection process, introduced MIG Consulting, Inc and outlined the scope of work that will be provided as part of the contractual agreement.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 23-166 N.C.

F. **ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDMENT TO THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS ("HOME") PROGRAM AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (HOME-ARP) ALLOCATION PLAN**

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving the City's Substantial Amendment to the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Allocation Plan for submission to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

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

Gillian.Hayes@cityofvallejo.net

Action: adopted Resolution No. 23-167 N.C.

G. **AUTHORIZE THE COUNCIL TO APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE CITY OF VALLEJO AND THE SISTER CITY OF AKASHI, JAPAN, AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE MOU**

Recommendation: Authorize the City Council to approve a MOU between the City of Vallejo and the Sister City of Akashi, Japan, and authorize the Mayor to sign the MOU

Contact: Erik Rzomp, Executive Assistant to the Mayor (707) 648-4377

Erik.Rzomp@cityofvallejo.net

Action: authorized the City Council to approve a MOU between the City of Vallejo and the Sister City of Akashi, Japan, and authorized the Mayor to sign the MOU.

H. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPOINTING REPRESENTATIVES TO THE HOUSING FIRST SOLANO CONTINUUM OF CARE**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution appointing Natalie Peterson as the City representative to the Housing First Solano Continuum of Care Board (HFS CoC) and Gillian Haen, as the Vallejo alternate representative.

Contact: Michael Malone, City Manager (707) 648-4308

mike.malone@cityofvallejo.net

Action: adopted Resolution No. 23-168 N.C.

9. **ACTION CALENDAR**

A. **ADOPT RESOLUTION MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE NEWLY CREATED MEASURE P OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, DESIGN REVIEW BOARD, MCCUNE COLLECTION COMMISSION, CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, AND THE PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING STEERING COMMITTEE**

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a resolution making 7 appointments to the newly created Measure P Citizens' Oversight Committee; and
2. Adopt a resolution making 1 appointment to the Civil Service Commission, 1 appointment to the Design Review Board, 1 appointment to the McCune Collection Commission, and 4 member and 3 alternate member appointments to the Participatory Budgeting Steering Committee (PBSC)

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

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The City Council individually made their appointment to the newly created Measure P Advisory Committee.

Action: *Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously by members present to adopt Resolution No. 23-169 N.C., make the following appointments to the Measure P Oversight Committee (Absent – Palmares):*

Mayor McConnell (at-large appointment): Jackie Jones for a term to expire 10/10/24.

Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga (District 1 appointment): Kenneth Rodriguez-Praeger for a term to expire 10/10/24.

Councilmember Matulac (District 2 appointment): Garrett Toles for a term to expire 10/10/25.

Councilmember Loera-Diaz (District 3 appointment): Richard Hybels for a term to expire 10/10/24.

Councilmember Palmares (District 4 appointment): Anna E. Bergman for a term to expire 10/10/25.

Councilmember Bregenzer (District 5 appointment): Brien Farrel for a term to expire 10/10/25.

Councilmember Arriola (District 6 appointment): Jasmine Salmeron for a term to expire 10/10/24.

The City Council went through an applicant nomination process for the Civil Service Commission, Design Review Board, McCune Collection Commission, and the PBSC. All nominations to these advisory bodies were fully supported by councilmembers present.

Action: *Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously by members present to adopt Resolution No. 23-170 N.C. making appointments as follows (Absent – Arriola):*

Civil Service Commission: *Appointed David Sostarich for a term to commence*

immediately and expire 6/30/27.

Design Review Board: Appointed Oskar Lugtu for a term to commence immediately and expire 6/30/27.

McCune Collection Commission: Appointed Vince Tajima for a term to commence immediately and expire 6/30/25.

PBSC: Appointed the following members: Paol Cubia-Shirazi, Patricia Baisden (primary) and Donald Jordan (secondary), Jessica Lorzano, and David Sostarich for terms to commence immediately and expire 6/30/25.

B. ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE "SOFTWARE AS A SERVICE" AGREEMENT WITH BADGER METER, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000,000 OVER TEN YEARS FOR BEACON ADVANCED METERING ANALYTICS (AMA) MANAGED SOLUTIONS SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving the "Software as a Service" Agreement with Badger Meter, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 over ten years for BEACON[®] Advanced Metering Analytics (AMA) Managed Solutions Services and authorizing the City Manager to execute same.

Contact: Beth Schoenberger, Water Director
Beth.Schoenberger@cityofvallejo.net (707) 648-5439

Water Director Schoenberger provided introductory comments.

Water Resources Manager Cansdale provided an overview of AML, timeline, and phases, discussed the Badger Meter Inc. approved contract package, outlined the purpose and contractual elements of the Beacon AMA Agreement and concluded the presentation outlining the cost and funding.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 23-171 N.C.

C. CONSIDER REQUEST BY COUNCILMEMBER BREGENZER TO AGENDIZE FOR DISCUSSION SALE OF THE HERBERT HOUSE (STEP 1)

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

Contact: Councilmember Bregenzer
Peter.Bregenzer@cityofvallejo.net

Councilmember Bregenzer discussed the nature of his request.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Speakers: Jimmy Genn and Anne Carr.

Action: by Council consensus, staff was directed to prepare and present

relevant materials (Step 2) sometime in December 2023 to include sale of the house and underlying property.

D. CONSIDER REQUEST BY COUNCILMEMBER LOERA-DIAZ TO AGENDIZE FOR DISCUSSION RECRUITMENT FOR A PERMANENT POLICE CHIEF (STEP 1)

Recommendation: Consider Councilmember Loera-Diaz's request and direct staff to prepare and present relevant materials at a subsequent meeting

Contact: Councilmember Loera-Diaz

Mina.Loera-Diaz@cityofvallejo.net

Councilmember Loera-Diaz discussed the nature of her request.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Speakers: Anne Carr.

Action: *by Council consensus, staff was directed to prepare and present relevant materials as to the process (Step 2) in November 2023.*

10. INFORMATION CALENDAR

A. RECEIVE UPDATE ON PUBLIC SAFETY STAFFING EMERGENCY

Recommendation: Receive an update on the public safety staffing emergency proclamation.

Contact: Jason Ta, Interim Chief of Police (707) 648-4540

jason.ta@cityofvallejo.net

Interim Police Chief Ta provided an update on Phase 1 (Service Model Reduction), Phase 2 (Rotation of Officers to Patrol Shifts), Phase 3 (Collapsing Traffic & Detective Divisions), Phase 4 (Modifying Patrol Shifts to 12-hours or another Staffing Model), and outside assistance, provided updated current staffing numbers, and the status of police facilities (Dispatch Center and Police Headquarters).

Human Resources Director Sifuentes provided an update on recruitment and retention efforts.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

11. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Malone reported the City received a grant for beautification along Georgia Street and announced a community meeting that will be held in District 3 on October 23 at Glenn Cove Elementary School.

12. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT – None.

13. COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Daniel Boone, Marisas., Dan, Judy Louser, Ben Grant, Lev Tronstein, Andrew Zarro, Joseph Dinowitz, Gretchen Zimmermann, Anne Carr, Mark Dion, Jenna, and Ali Shaffir.

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 10:19 p.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