

**VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 26, 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, and Palmares

Absent: Councilmember Matulac

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

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Nebb reported Council provided direction to its legal counsel regarding Closed Session Items 3A and 3B.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS – None.

6. FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Daniel Boone, Michael Hayes, Sherianne Grimm, John Kenney, Anthony Summers, Mindful Mindful, and Jimmy Genn.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Speakers: None

8. CONSENT CALENDAR AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action: *moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously by members present, unless otherwise noted, approval of the Agenda and the Consent Calendar with the removal of Item 8N from the Consent Calendar making it Item 8.1. (Absent – Matulac).*

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation: Approve minutes for the special and regular meetings of September 12, 2023 and the special meeting of September 18, 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.

Contact: Dawn G. Abrahamson, MMC, 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.*

C. PAYMENT OF CLAIMS: JUNE 2023

Recommendation: Ratify the payment of claims for the period of June 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023.

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

Rekha.Nayar@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *ratified payment of claims for June 1-30, 2023.*

D. PAYMENT OF CLAIMS: July 2023

Recommendation: Ratify the payment of claims for the period of July 1, 2023 through July 31, 2023.

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

Rekha.Nayar@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *ratified payment of claims for July 1-31, 2023.*

E. ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING SEPARATE CONSULTANT AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH FIVE CONSULTING FIRMS: ALISTO ENGINEERING GROUP, BKF ENGINEERS, CSG CONSULTANTS, INC., GHIRARDELLI ASSOCIATES, INC., AND INTERWEST CONSULTING GROUP, INC. TO PROVIDE ON-CALL FEDERAL PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 EACH

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving separate Consultant and Professional Services Agreements with five consulting firms: Alisto Engineering Group, BKF Engineers, CSG Consultants, Inc., Ghirardelli Associates, Inc., and Interwest Consulting Group, Inc., to provide on-call federal project management services and authorizing the City Manager to execute same in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 each.

Contact: Melissa Tigbao, P.E., Public Work Director, 707-648-4433

Melissa.tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *adopted Resolution No. 23-155 N.C.*

F. ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING SEPARATE DESIGN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH SIX CONSULTING FIRMS: BELLECCI & ASSOCIATES, INC., BKF ENGINEERS, CAL ENGINEERING & GEOLOGY, INC., COASTLAND CIVIL ENGINEERING, MARK THOMAS & COMPANY, INC., AND NICHOLS CONSULTING ENGINEERS TO PROVIDE ON-CALL CIVIL ENGINEERING DESIGN

SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 EACH

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving separate design professional services agreements with six consulting firms: Bellecci & Associates, Inc., BKF Engineers, Cal Engineering & Geology, Inc., Coastland Civil Engineering, Mark Thomas & Company, Inc., and Nichols Consulting Engineers to provide on-call civil engineering design services and authorizing the City Manager to execute same in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 each.

Contact: Melissa Tigbao, P.E., Public Work Director, 707-648-4433

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Action: adopted Resolution No. 23-156 N.C.

G. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING SEPARATE DESIGN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH FIVE CONSULTING FIRMS: ALAN KROPP & ASSOCIATES, INC., BSK ASSOCIATES, GEOCON CONSULTANTS, INC., NINYO & MOORE, AND TWINING, INC. TO PROVIDE ON-CALL GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING & MATERIALS TESTING SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 EACH**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving separate design professional services agreements with five consulting firms: Alan Kropp & Associates, Inc., BSK Associates, Geocon Consultants, Inc., Ninyo & Moore Geotechnical and Environmental Sciences Consultants (Ninyo & Moore), and Twining, Inc., to provide on-call geotechnical engineering and material testing services and authorizing the City Manager to execute same in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 each.

Contact: Melissa Tigbao, P.E., Public Work Director, 707-648-4433

Melissa.tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Action: adopted Resolution No. 23-157 NC.

H. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING SEPARATE CONSULTANT AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH FOUR CONSULTING FIRMS: CSG CONSULTANTS, INC., GHIRARDELLI ASSOCIATES, INC., INTERWEST CONSULTING GROUP, INC., AND PARK ENGINEERING, INC., TO PROVIDE ON-CALL FEDERAL CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 EACH**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving separate Consultant and Professional Services Agreements with four consulting firms: CSG Consultants, Inc., Ghirardelli Associates, Inc., Interwest Consulting Group, Inc., and Park Engineering, Inc., to provide on-call federal construction management services, and authorizing the City Manager to execute same in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 each.

Contact: Melissa Tigbao, P.E., Public Work Director, 707-648-4433

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Action: adopted Resolution No. 23-158 N.C.

I. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING SEPARATE CONSULTANT AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH FOUR CONSULTING**

FIRMS: BKF ENGINEERS, CINQUINI & PASSARINO, INC., MOUNTAIN PACIFIC SURVEYS, AND SONOMA RSA, INC., FOR ON-CALL SURVEYING SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 EACH

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving separate consultant and professional services agreements with four consulting firms: BKF Engineers, Cinquini & Passarino, Inc., Mountain Pacific Surveys, and Sonoma RSA, Inc., to provide on-call surveying services and authorizing the City Manager to execute same in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 each.

Contact: Melissa Tigbao, P.E., Public Work Director, 707-648-4433

Melissa.tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Action: adopted Resolution No. 23-159 N.C.

J. ADOPT A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$61,783.27 FOR THE OFFICER WELLNESS AND MENTAL HEALTH GRANT AWARD FROM THE BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Recommendation: As the second step in a two-step process, adopt a resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2023-24 budget in the amount of \$61,783.27 for the Officer Wellness and Mental Health grant award from the Board of State and Community Corrections.

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

jason.ta@cityofvallejo.net

Action: adopted Resolution No. 23-160 N.C.

K. ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PRE-PURCHASE OF A PUBLIC RESTROOM FOR THE LAKE DALWIGK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (PW9433) AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$349,766.72

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving the pre-purchase of a public restroom for the Lake Dalwigk Improvement Project (PW9443) and authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract in the amount of \$349,766.72.

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

melissa.tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Action: adopted Resolution No. 23-161 N.C.

L. APPROVAL OF HUD-REQUIRED CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 ADDRESSING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS IN THE CITY OF VALLEJO

Recommendation: Approve the required Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) by September 30th annually

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

Gillian.Haen@cityofvallejo.net

Action: approved the required Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) by September 30th

annually

- M. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AN INCREASED GRANT AWARD OF \$555,927 FROM THE U.S. DEPT. OF COMMERCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (EDA) FOR THE MARE ISLAND INFRASTRUCTURE ASSESSMENT PROJECT, APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CONSULTANT AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WEST YOST & ASSOCIATES, INC. IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME AND PROVIDING NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$555,927**

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a Resolution accepting an increased grant award of \$555,927 from the U.S. Dept. of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA), approving the First Amendment to the Consultant and Professional Services Agreement with West Yost & Associates, Inc. in accordance therewith, and authorizing the City Manager to execute same.
2. As the first in a two-step process, provide notice of intent to amend the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 budget.

Contact: Michael Nimon, Economic Development Director

(707) 648-4109 michael.nimon@cityofvallejo.net

Action: (1) adopted Resolution No. 23-162 N.C. and (2) as the first in a two-step process, provided notice of intent to amend the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 budget

- N. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT AND JOINT ESCROW INSTRUCTIONS BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF VALLEJO AND BLUE ROCK SPRINGS, LLC TO EXTEND THE TIME IN WHICH TO NEGOTIATE THE PARTICIPATION AND PERFORMANCE AGREEMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SAME**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving the Fourth Amendment to the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions by and between the City of Vallejo and Blue Rock Springs, LLC to extend the time in which to negotiate Participation and Performance Agreements and authorizing the City Manager to execute same.

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

Gillian.Haen@cityofvallejo.net

Michal Nimon, Economic Development Director (707) 648-4109

Michael.Nimon@cityofvallejo.net

Action: item was removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of Councilmember Arriola.

Assistant City Manager Haen responded to questions raised by community members. Councilmembers provided comment.

Speakers: Andrea Sorce and Jeb Elmore (Blue Rock Springs, LLC.).

Councilmembers provided additional comments.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously by members present to adopt Resolution No. 23-163 N.C. (Absent – Matulac).

9. ACTION CALENDAR

A. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BUDGET TO REALLOCATE EXPENDITURES FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS (STEP 2)**

Recommendation: Amend FY 2023-24 ARPA budget to account for the amount of \$862,000 to be reallocated from the first tranche of funds.

Contact: Michael Malone, City Manager (707) 648-4576

Michael.Malone@cityofvallejo.net

Terrance Davis, Assistant City Manager (707) 648-4577

Terrance.Davis@cityofvallejo.net

Administrative Analyst Wilson reviewed the purpose of the presentation and outlined the Council's ARPA first tranche reallocation designations and revised allocations.

Due to a mathematical computation error, Councilmember Loera-Diaz provided clarification on the amount to be allocated for small business grants which is \$60,000 not \$160,000 as originally requested.

Speakers: AJ and Gladys Castillo.

Staff responded to comments made by members of the public.

Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Mayor McConnell and carried unanimously by members present to adopt Resolution No. 23-164 N.C. (Absent – Matulac).

B. **ADOPT CITY COUNCIL 2023 AND MULTIYEAR GOALS AND PRIORITIES**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution establishing the Vallejo City Council's Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and Multiyear Community Goals and Priorities.

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

Mike.malone@cityofvallejo.net

City Manager Malone provided introductory comments.

Assistant City Manager Peterson and Program Manager Bennett provided an overview of goal setting for 2022 and 2023 and direction Council provided to staff at its special meeting on September 19, outlined the summary changes to the 5 strategic goals of Public Safety, Efficient, Effective, Responsive Government, Economic Development Strategy, Housing/Unhoused Response,

Youth Development, and concluded the presentation with staff's recommendation.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Sherianne Grimm and Denise Rettenmaier.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: *Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously by members present to adopt Resolution No. 23-165 N.C. (Absent – Matulac).*

C. **INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALLEJO REPEALING SECTIONS 4.04.065, 5.04.066, 5.04.070 RELATING TO PEDDLERS AND 8.40.100 RELATING TO PLACING OBJECTS ON STREETS—STOPS BY VENDORS SELLING MERCHANDISE” OF THE VALLEJO MUNICIPAL CODE AND ADDING CHAPTER 5.02 “SIDEWALK/RIGHT-OF-WAY VENDING”**

Recommendation: Introduce an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Vallejo Repealing Sections 4.04.065, 5.04.066, 5.04.070 Relating to Peddlers and 8.40.100 Relating to Placing Objects on Streets—Stops by Vendors Selling Merchandise" of the Vallejo Municipal Code and Adding Chapter 5.02 "Sidewalk/Right-of-Way Vending"

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

City Attorney Nebb provided an overview of the staff report and outlined the recommendation.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Gretchen Zimmermann, Anne Carr, and AJ.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: *Moved by Mayor McConnell and carried unanimously by members to hold first reading of the ordinance to the second regular meeting in November (November 28) with the understanding that each Councilmember will provide to the City Attorney, as rapidly as possible, thoughts as to what is desired to be included or removed from the ordinance (Absent – Matulac).*

D. **CONSIDER REQUEST BY COUNCILMEMBER BREGENZER FOR ADDITIONAL RED LIGHT ENFORCEMENT CAMERAS TO ASSIST THE POLICE DEPARTMENT (STEP 1)**

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

Contact: Councilmember Bregezner

Peter.Bregenzer@cityofvallejo.net

Councilmember Bregenzer discussed the nature of his request. Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Daniel Boone.

Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: *By unanimous consensus of Councilmembers present, staff was directed to bring Step 2 back to Council for further discussion (Absent – Matulac).*

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

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.

Speakers: Anne Carr and Kristine.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment

B. UPDATE ON STAFF GRANT EFFORTS

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

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

Terrance.Davis@cityofvallejo.net

Assistant City Manager Davis provided introductory comments.

Administrative Analyst Wilson outlined the purpose of the presentation and grant management objectives, reviewed the centralized grant management process, and provided an update on 22-23 awarded grants progress.

Speakers: AJ, Anthony Summers, Gladys Castillo, and Anne Carr.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

C. YOUTH COORDINATOR UPDATE

Recommendation: This item is for informational purposes only. There is no staff report or action associated with this item

Contact: Victoria Grace, Youth Coordinator (707) 334-5765

Victoria.Grace@cityofvallejo.net

Youth Coordinator Grace Barksdale reviewed the strategic alignment for Youth Development, provided background information, outlined each of the four strategies and the corresponding metrics and outcomes for 2023-2024, and concluded the presentation discussing City outputs and future projects.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

11. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Malone announced the Police Department will be hosting National Coffee with a Cop on October 4 from 9-10 a.m. in the Vallejo Room.

12. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT – None.

13. COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: AJ and Anne Carr.

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

Councilmembers reported on various community events, conferences and meetings attended.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:31 a.m.

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ROBERT H. MCCONNELL, MAYOR

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