

**VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JULY 25, 2023**

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Councilmember Bregenzer

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 legal counsel on some of the cases as listed on the Closed Session agenda for Item 3A and provided direction to legal counsel on Closed Session Item 3B.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

Action: *Presentation was made by Kent Fortner.*

A. MARE ISLAND HISTORIC FOUNDATION UPDATE

6. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Speakers: Luther Hendricks (Item 7D) and AJ (Item 7B).

7. 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 (Absent: Bregenzer).*

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation: Approve minutes for the special and regular meetings of July 25, 2023 and the special meeting of August 17, 2023

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

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Action: *adopted minutes.*

B. ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING A FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE DESIGN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WSP USA, INC. TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT AMOUNT FROM \$961,866 TO \$1,167,313 FOR THE MARE ISLAND CAUSEWAY BRIDGE PREVENTATIVE

MAINTENANCE PROJECT (PW9762) AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving a fourth amendment to the Design Professional Services Agreement with WSP, USA, Inc., to increase the contract amount from \$961,866 to \$1,167,313 for the Mare Island Causeway Bridge Preventive Maintenance Project (PW9762) and authorizing the City Manager to execute same.

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

Melissa.Tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *adopted Resolution No. 23-136 N.C.*

C. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION GRANTING AN EASEMENT TO PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY (PG&E) FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A TRANSFORMER AND METER OVER A PORTION OF PARKING LOT J AT 301 VIRGINIA STREET AFTER FINDING THE ACTION EXEMPT UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15303(d)**

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution granting an easement to Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) for the installation of a transformer and meter over a portion of Parking Lot J at 301 Virginia Street after finding the action exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303(d).

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

Melissa.Tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *adopted Resolution No. 23-137 N.C.*

D. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A NATIONAL PARK SERVICE APPLICATION FOR VALLEJO TO BECOME A WORLD WAR II HERITAGE CITY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR SAME**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of a National Park Service application for Vallejo to become a World War II Heritage City and authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter of support for same.

Contact: Erik Rzomp, Executive Assistant to Mayor McConnell (707) 648-4733

Erik.Rzomp@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *adopted Resolution No. 23-138 N.C.*

E. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CONSULTANT AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TRB & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR BUILDING CONSULTING SERVICES INCREASING THE NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT BY \$100,000 FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$200,000**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving the First Amendment to the Consultant and Professional Services Agreement with TRB & Associates, Inc. for building consulting services increasing the not to exceed amount by \$100,000 for a total not to exceed amount of \$200,000.

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

Christina.Ratcliffe@cityofvallejo.net

Action: *adopted Resolution No. 23-139 N.C.*

8. ACTION CALENDAR

A. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING CYCLE 8 VOTE RESULTS AND ALLOCATING FUNDS TO PROJECTS, AND PROVIDING NOTICE TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BUDGET TO INCREASE REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES ACCORDINGLY**

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a resolution to accept the results of the Participatory Budgeting Cycle 8 vote and allocate funding to the awarded projects
2. Provide notice to amend the budget of the General Fund (#001) and Capital Outlay Fund (#201) budget by \$10,000

Contact: Terrance Davis, Assistant City Manager (707) 648-4301
Terrance.Davis@cityofvallejo.net

Assistant City Manager Davis provided introductory comments.

Administrative Analyst I Magallanes provided background information, identified non-profit organizations, reviewed outreach efforts, shared the voting results, discussed project funding, identified the community selected projects, and concluded the presentation with the proposed recommendations.

Speakers: Elena Martinez, Taylor Kennedy, Aralyn Beaumont, Rodney Bell, Angelo Perez, Luis, Arnold Duron and Kerry.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: *Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously by members present to adopt Resolution No. 23-140 N.C., as revised accepting the results of the PB Cycle 8 vote and allocate funding to the awarded projects, providing notice of intent to amend the budget of the General Fund (#001) and Capital Outlay Fund (#201) budget by \$10,000 and removing allocation of \$300,000 for the Complete Our Street! Safety First at 5th Street project. Reconsideration to allocate \$300,000 for the project will be rescheduled at a future Council meeting after staff conducts a neighborhood meeting relating to the project (Absent – Bregenzer).*

B. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION CREATING A COUNCIL AD-HOC SUBCOMMITTEE TO MEET WITH THE CITY OF AMERICAN CANYON REGARDING ISSUES RELATING TO WATER AND APPOINTMENT OF TWO MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO THE AD-HOC SUBCOMMITTEE**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution creating a City Council ad-hoc subcommittee to meet with a similar subcommittee from the City of American Canyon regarding issues related to water and appoint two City Council members as members of the ad-hoc subcommittee.

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

mike.malone@cityofvallejo.net

Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: Moved by Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously by members present to adopt Resolution No. 23-141 N.C. appointing Councilmember Loera-Diaz and Councilmember Matulac to the ad-hoc subcommittee (Absent – Bregenzer).

C. **RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE 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 the status of Phases 1 through 4, outside assistance, current staffing numbers, and police facilities including the Dispatch Center and Police Headquarters.

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

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Carolyn Dyson, Dee Dee Barrett, Myriam Duncan, AJ, and Jameelah Hanif.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

9. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Malone reported on the installation of solar lights in the Saint. Vincent Hills neighborhood with a completion date of mid-September.

10. **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT – None.**

11. **REPORT OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Councilmembers reported on various community events and meetings attended.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:454 p.m.

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