

**VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 12, 2024**

**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 Loera-Diaz, Councilmembers Arriola, Bregenzer, Matulac, Palmares (arrived at 8:07 p.m.), and Verder-Aliga

Absent: None

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 that Assistant City Manager Haen substituted as the agency negotiator for Assistant City Manager Davis on Closed Session Item 3B. Council provided direction to its real property negotiators with respect to Closed Session Items 3A and 3B and provided direction to staff with respect to Closed Session Items 3C and 3D.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

Actions: presentations for Items 5A and 5B were made by Councilmembers Arriola and Verder-Aliga. Susan Lent (Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP) provided a federal legislative update.

A. **PRESENTATIONS OF A PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH - MARCH 2024**

B. **PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS HONORING INCOMING CO-POET LAUREATES JACALYN EYVONNE AND KATHLEEN HERRMANN**

C. **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FROM CITY LOBBYIST**

6. FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Jameelah Hanif, Darren Holmes, Lamont Jones, Roynita Daniels, Tiffany Miller, and Vincent Purcell.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Speakers: Clarence Chavis (Item 8F).

8. CONSENT CALENDAR AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action: *moved by Vice Mayor Loera-Diaz and carried unanimously, unless otherwise noted, approval of the Agenda and the Consent Calendar with the continuation of Item 8F to the March 19 special council meeting and the removal of Item 8F from the Consent Calendar making it Item 8.1.*

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation: Approve minutes for the special meetings of February 20 and the special and regular meetings of February 27, 2024

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

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Action: *adopted 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. ADOPT A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND BUDGET FOR PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM EFFORTS (STEP 2)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution to amend the Fiscal Year 2023-24 budget by allocating \$5 million of unappropriated Measure P revenue for Pavement Management Plan efforts.

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

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

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: *moved by Vice Mayor Loera-Diaz and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 24-030 N.C.*

D. ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE CONSULTANT AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WILL DAN ENGINEERING TO ADD ADDITIONAL SERVICES AND INCREASE COMPENSATION NOT TO EXCEED \$220,000 AND

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving a Second Amendment to the Consultant and Professional Services Agreement with Willdan Engineering to add additional services and increase compensation not to exceed \$220,000 and authorizing the City Manager to execute same.

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

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Action: adopted Resolution No. 24-031 N.C.

E. **ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING A STATEMENT REGARDING OWNERSHIP OF CRANE AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving the Statement of Ownership for the ex-YD 228 crane and authorizing City Manager to execute same.

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

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Action: adopted Resolution No. 24-032 N.C.

F. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF VALLEJO AND SUTTER SOLANO MEDICAL CENTER, TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE BROADWAY PROJECT, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME AND PROVIDING NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving the second amendment to the Grant Agreement between City of Vallejo and Sutter Medical center, authorizing the City Manager to execute same and providing notice of intent to amend the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget relating to same.

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

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Action: continued item to March 19, 2024 special Council meeting.

9. **ACTION CALENDAR**

A. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FIFTH 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 Fifth 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 the same.

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

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

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Assistant City Manager Haen provided an overview of the staff report and outlined the recommendation.
Jeb Elmore (Blue Rock Springs, LLC) addressed Council in support of the fifth amendment to the Purchase and Sale Agreement.

Staff and Mr. Elmore responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Dennis Yen.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: (1) Moved by Councilmember Bregenzer to adopt a resolution approving the Fifth 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 to September 23, 2024 with staff providing an update to the Council by July 23, 2024 to include public comment input from Mr. Elmore and Mr. Yen, in which to negotiate Participation and Performance Agreements and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same.

B. ADOPT A RESOLUTION NOTIFYING THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CITY'S DESIRE TO RECEIVE SPECIFIC LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES FROM THE SOLANO COUNTY SHERIFF AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE A 12-MONTH AGREEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIX TO EIGHT MILLION DOLLARS

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution notifying the Solano County Board of Supervisors of the City's desire to receive specific law enforcement services from the Solano County Sheriff's office, and authorize the City Manager to negotiate a 12-month agreement in an amount not to exceed \$6 to \$8 million dollars.

Contact: Terrance Davis, Assistant City Manager (707) 648-5404
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City Manager Malone provided an overview of the staff report and outlined the recommendation.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Dennis Yen, Anne Carr, Paula Conley, and Dwight Monroe Jr.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: moved by Mayor McConnell and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 24-034 N.C.

C. CONSIDER REQUEST BY MAYOR MCCONNELL AND VICE MAYOR LOERA-DIAZ TO AGENDIZE COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF INCREASING

**FINES, PENALTIES, IMPOUNDMENT RULES AND OTHER DETERRENTS
RELATED TO SIDESHOW ACTIVITIES IN THE CITY (STEP 1)**

Recommendation: Consider Mayor McConnell and Vice Mayor Loera-Diaz's request and direct staff to prepare and present relevant materials at a future meeting

Contact: Robert H. McConnell, Mayor (707) 648-4377

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Mina Loera-Diaz, Vice Mayor

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Mayor McConnell and Vice Mayor Loera-Diaz discussed the nature of the reason for their request.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: Ana Bergman, Anne Carr and Stephen Hallett.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: *by consensus of the Council, staff was directed to prepare and present relevant materials to include research on ideas expressed this evening and return to Council as rapidly as possible.*

10. INFORMATION CALENDAR

**A. RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE DECLARATION OF A STATE AND LOCAL
EMERGENCY RELATED TO PUBLIC SAFETY STAFFING**

Recommendation: Receive an update on the public safety staffing emergency proclamation. This item is for informational purposes only. There is no staff report or action associated with this item.

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

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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.

Speakers: Shane Clary and Anne Carr.

Mayor McConnell left the dais. Vice Mayor Loera-Diaz resumed presiding over the meeting.

11. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Malone provided an update on the first session of the Citizen's Academy.

12. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT – None.

13. COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Stephen Hallett and Anne Carr.

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 10:17 p.m.

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ROBERT H. MCCONNELL

ROBERT H. MCCONNELL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DocuSigned by:

Dawn G. Abrahamson

DAWN G. ABRAHAMSON, CITY CLERK