

**VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 26, 2024**

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:13 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor McConnell, Vice Mayor Loera-Diaz, Councilmembers Arriola, Bregenzer, Matulac, Palmares, 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 Council provided direction to staff on Closed Session items 3A, direction to its negotiators on Item 3B, and direction to legal counsel on item 3C. There was no other action to report.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

Action: *Pelton Stewart and Victoria Barksdale introduced the Sister City Association Officers, Councilmember Bregenzer read and presented the proclamation for Item 5B and Dion Carter provided an overview of Advance Peace Vallejo, a public health approach to reducing cyclical and retaliatory gun violence.*

A. INTRODUCTION OF SISTER CITY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

B. PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF RED CROSS MONTH

C. PRESENTATION AND UPDATE FROM ADVANCE PEACE

6. FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Daun Lewis, Lillie Hurd, Sydney Allen, Daniel Boone, Tahraleigh Martin, and Kunette Parker

7. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Speakers: Belinda Seidemann (Item 8H).

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 removal of Item 8I*

from the Agenda.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation: Approve minutes for the special meetings of March 6 and 8 and the special and regular meetings of March 12, 2024

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

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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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C. PAYMENT OF CLAIMS: JANUARY 2024

Recommendation: Ratify the payment of claims for the period of January 1, 2024, through January 31, 2024.

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

Rekha.Nayar@cityofvallejo.net

Action: ratified the payment of claims for the period of January 1, 2024, through January 31, 2024.

D. ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LIST OF ROAD MAINTENANCE AND REHABILITATION PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED BY SB1 IN FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 AND FINDING THE ACTION EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO SECTION 15301(c) OF THE CEQA GUIDELINES - EXISTING FACILITIES

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving the list of road maintenance and rehabilitation projects to be funded by SB1 in fiscal year 2024-25 and finding the action exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the CEQA Guidelines - Existing Facilities.

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

Melissa.Tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Action: adopted Resolution No. 24-035 N.C.

E. ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PURCHASE CITY VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT FUNDED FOR REPLACEMENT

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to purchase fleet units funded for replacement from specified vendors.

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

melissa.tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Action: adopted Resolution No. 24-036 N.C.

- F. **ACCEPT THE MINI DRIVE PAVING PROJECT PERFORMED BY CONSOLIDATED ENGINEERING, INC. AS COMPLETE, AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY CLERK TO FILE A NOTICE OF COMPLETION WITH THE SOLANO COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE**
Recommendation: Accept the Mini Drive Paving Project performed by Consolidated Engineering, Inc., as complete, and authorize the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion with the Solano County Recorder's Office.
Contact: Melissa Tigbao, P.E., Public Works Director, (707) 648-4433
Melissa.Tigbao@cityofvallejo.net
Action: accepted the Mini Drive Paving Project performed by Consolidated Engineering, Inc., as complete, and authorized the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion with the Solano County Recorder's Office.
- G. **ADOPT RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY FUND#146 BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE REVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$125,000 AND APPROPRIATE EXPENDITURES**
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution to amend the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Office of Traffic Safety Fund #146 budget to recognize revenue and appropriate expenditures in the amount of \$125,000.
Contact: Jason Ta, Interim Chief of Police (707) 648-4540
Jason.Ta@cityofvallejo.net
Action: adopted Resolution No. 24-037 N.C.
- H. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALLEJO APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DAUPLER, INC. FOR DAYTIME AND AFTER-HOURS CALL ANSWERING SERVICES FOR THE WATER AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTS FOR A NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$350,000 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SAME AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF UNPAID INVOICES FROM FY2021-2022**
Recommendation:
Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Daupler for daytime and after-hour call services for the Public Works Department and the Water Department for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$350,000 and authorizing retroactive payments from Fiscal Year 2021-22.
Contact: Beth Schoenberger, Water Director
Beth.Schoenberger@cityofvallejo.net
Melissa Tigbao, Public Works Director
Melissa.Tigbao@cityofvallejo.net
Action: adopted Resolution No. 24-038 N.C.
- I. **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

Gillian.Haen@cityofvallejo.net

Action: removed from the Agenda.

J. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT ON BEHALF OF THE VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING SB 1379 ALLOWING RETIRED ANNUITANTS TO EXCEED THE 960 HOUR WORK LIMIT

Recommendation: Authorize the Mayor to sign a letter to State Senator Bill Dodd on behalf of the Vallejo City Council, expressing support for SB 1379 allowing retired annuitants to exceed the 960 hour work limit.

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

Mike.Malone@cityofvallejo.net

Action: authorized the Mayor to sign a letter to State Senator Bill Dodd on behalf of the Vallejo City Council, expressing support for SB 1379 allowing retired annuitants to exceed the 960 hour work limit.

K. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT ON BEHALF OF THE VALLEJO CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF THE MARE ISLAND SEWER REHABILITATION PROJECT TO BE SUBMITTED TO U.S. SENATOR PADILLA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING CONSIDERATION

Recommendation: Authorize the Mayor to sign a letter to US Senator Alex Padilla on behalf of the Vallejo City Council, expressing support for Mare Island Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

Contact: Erik Rzomp (707) 648-4377

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Action: authorized the Mayor to sign a letter to US Senator Alex Padilla on behalf of the Vallejo City Council, expressing support for Mare Island Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

9. ACTION CALENDAR

A. RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE DESIGN OF A NEW POLICE HEADQUARTERS FACILITY TO BE LOCATED AT 111 AMADOR AND NOTICE OF INTENT (STEP 1 OF 2) TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,998,200 TO COMPLETE PHASE B OF THE POLICE HEADQUARTERS DESIGN

Recommendation:

1. Receive an update on Vallejo Police headquarters feasibility analysis and provide staff with additional direction; and
2. Give notice to amend FY 2023-24 Capital Improvement Program Budget (project #PW9818) in the amount of \$1,998,200 to advance the design of

the new police station and utilize Measure P funding.

Contact: Melissa Tigbao, Public Works Director (707-648-4433)
Melissa.Tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Mayor McConnell left the dais and Council Chamber due to the proximity of the police headquarters which creates a conflict of interest.

Vice Mayor Loera-Diaz resumed presiding over the meeting.

City Manager Malone provided introductory comments.

Assistant City Manager Davis provided background information,.

Bruce Playle (Indigo I Hammond & Playle) discussed the design concept, construction phasing, commitment to the project, shared site and floor plan schematic drawings, outlined the construction cost, shared the design concept.

Assistant City Manager Davis concluded the presentation by identifying project challenges and outlined next steps.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Speakers: AJ.

Another question and answer period followed. Councilmembers provided comment.

Action: *moved by Councilmember Verder-Aliga and carried unanimously to receive an update on Vallejo Police headquarters feasibility analysis and provide staff with additional direction; and and give notice to amend FY 2023-24 Capital Improvement Program Budget (project #PW9818) in the amount of \$1,998,200 to advance the design of the new police station and utilize Measure P funding (Abstain Due to Conflict of Interest: McConnell).*

Mayor McConnell resumed his seat at the dais.

B. PRESENTATION AND DIRECTION TO STAFF RELATING TO MARE ISLAND COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT 2002-1

Recommendation:

Consider and provide direction to staff relating to the Mare Island Community Facilities District (CFD) 2002-1. Staff recommends that Council take no action at this time but rather consider revisions to or replacement of CFD 2002-1 in tandem with the implementation of the new Mare Island Specific Plan (MISP).

Contact: Gillian Haen, Assistant City Manager

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Michael Nimon, Economic Development Director

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Assistant City Manager Haen, Economic Development Director Nimon and City Attorney Nebb shared the history of Mare Island closure and CFD formation and CFD 2002-1 formation background, provided outside counsel opinions, reviewed the recent timeline of CFD public meetings and concluded with staff recommendation.

Speakers: Daniel Boone, Sherianne Grimm, AJ, and Belinda Seidemann.

Staff and Susan Goodwin (consultant) responded to questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers provided comment and direction to staff to restructure the CFDs at the time of the new MISP approval and implementation, when the land densities will be known and can be accounted for within future development.

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

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.

Speakers:

11. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT – None.

12. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT – None.

13. COMMUNITY FORUM **Speakers:** Joe Livaich.

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 11:54 p.m.

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ROBERT H. MCCONNELL, MAYOR

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