



CONCORD ANNOTATED AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CONCORD CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, March 10, 2015
7:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting
City Council Chamber
1950 Parkside Drive, Concord, CA

CLOSED SESSION City Council Conference Room 5:30 p.m.

- I. **ROLL CALL** – Grayson absent.
- II. **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT (Open Session)** –none.
- III. **PUBLIC COMMENT (Open Session)** – none.
- IV. **CLOSED SESSION:**
 - a. Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6.

City Negotiators: Valerie Barone, City Manager
Laura Brunson, Director of Human Resources
Charles Sakai, Esq. and Don Turko of Renne, Sloan,
Holtzman & Sakai

Employee Organizations: Administrative, Technical & Clerical Representation Unit and Field & Operations Representation Unit of International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 856; Professional Representation Unit of OPEIU Local 29; Peace Officer Representation Unit of Concord Police Officers Association and Police Managerial Representation Unit of Police Management Association.

Unrepresented Units: Executive, Management & Confidential Employees

- b. Conference with Real Property Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8.

Property: Area within Concord Community Reuse Plan

Negotiating Parties: Michael Wright – City of Concord
 Alan Lee – Department of Navy, BRAC Project Office

Under Negotiation: Price, Terms of Payment

V. ADJOURNMENT – at 6:50 p.m. to reconvene in regular session in the Council Chamber.

ACTION: Closed session held.

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ROLL CALL – Grayson absent.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG – Councilmember Birsan

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Alex Chavez, Central County Regional Group, spoke in support of the Detroit Avenue project.

Kenjii Yamada, Concord, spoke of Bike Concord’s booth at the April 23 Music and Market, noting that they will have well used bikes, safety information and a mechanic from REI at the booth. Mr. Yamada also mentioned that Bike to Work Day will be held on May 14, 2015, and there will be energizer stations planned in Concord. He congratulated the City for sponsoring this event for the third year in a row.

Smitty Ardrey, Concord, Bike Concord, invited the public to a family bike ride at 10:30 a.m. on March 28 starting at the Concord BART station. The ride will be along the Iron Horse Trail to Walnut Creek, noting that those who wish can bike to Danville for a special program at the San Ramon Valley Museum.

Johni Christenson, Concord, spoke of an interest in creating a farm learning center in Concord, and stated she would find a way to do it if the City would provide the land. She welcomed those interested in the project to email her at concordfarmandlearningcenter@gmail.com.

Coire Reilly, Contra Costa County Health Services, invited the Council and public to a workshop at 5:30 p.m. on March 19, 2015, at the Concord Library to prepare community members for a workshop to be held on April 8 at 5:30 p.m. at Willow Pass Center regarding the Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan.

George Fulmore, Concord, spoke of the Monument Democratic Club's relationship with the Contra Costa Youth Soccer League and the great support from City staff, including Steve Voorhies, Justin Ezell and Fred Stahly, to improve the condition of Cambridge Park to get it ready for the soccer league.

1. PRESENTATIONS

- a. **Presentation** – to Carlyn Obringer, Soroptimist International of Diablo Vista, proclaiming March 2015 as Women's History Month. Presentation by Vice Mayor Hoffmeister.

Action: Vice Mayor Hoffmeister presented Carolyn Obringer, Soroptimist International of Diablo Vista, a proclamation declaring March 2015 as Women's History Month.

- b. **Presentation** – by City Engineer Robert Ovadia on the Detroit Avenue Complete Streets Project. Introduction by Vice Mayor Hoffmeister.

Action: Vice Mayor Hoffmeister introduced City Engineer Robert Ovadia who made a presentation on the Detroit Avenue Complete Streets Project.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deputy City Clerk Marsha Moore announced an extension to the recruitment to fill two positions on the Board of Appeals and set Friday, March 27 2015, at 5 p.m. as the deadline for receipt of applications.

CITY COUNCIL MATTERS

3. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT ITEM:

- a. **Approving** – the minutes from the meeting of February 10 and 11, 2015. (No Fiscal Impact) Recommended by the City Clerk.

Action: Meeting minutes from February 10 and 11, 2015 approved.

- b. **Awarding** – a construction contract for Project No. 2294, Todos Santos Archway Project, in the amount of \$125,275 to Hess Construction Co., Inc. of American Canyon and authorizing the Mayor to execute the contract. (Art in Public Places and RDA Art in Public Places Funds) Recommended by the Director of Community and Economic Development.

Action: Construction contract for Project No. 2294, Todos Santos Archway Project, awarded in the amount of \$125,275 to Hess Construction Co., Inc. of American Canyon; Mayor authorized to execute the contract.

- c. **Matter to set for public hearing** – on Tuesday, April 7, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber to consider an amendment to the Concord Municipal Code Title 2, Administration; Chapter 2.20, Boards, Commissions and Committees and Revising Policy and Procedure No. 89, Council Appointments to Boards and Commissions. (No Fiscal Impact) Recommended by the City Clerk.

Action: Public Hearing set for Tuesday, April 7, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

4. **CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING:**

- a. **Consideration** – of an amendment to Concord Municipal Code Title 10 (Traffic and Vehicles, Chapter 10.20 (Operation of Vehicles), Article IV (Special Speed Zones, Section 10-20-080 (Speed Limits Established) to change the speed limit on Farm Bureau Road from Willow Pass Road to Clayton Road from 35 miles per hour to 30 miles per hour. Ordinance No. 15-2 for introduction. **Report by Ray Kuzbari, Transportation Manager.**

Action: Report heard, public testimony taken, and Ordinance No. 15-2 introduced by reading of the title only and waiving further readings.

5. **CORRESPONDENCE** – City Council correspondence not selectively included in the following list is available for inspection during normal business hours by contacting the City Clerk at 671-3390.

- a. Item 1a – Annual Women of Distinction Invitation
- b. PowerPoint Presentation Item 1b – Detroit Avenue Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements
- c. Public Comment on Presentation Items – Letter to Mayor Grayson from Adam Foster regarding the Detroit Avenue Project

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON PRESENTATION ITEMS

Roylen Stack, Concord, spoke of the problem with cars parked for sale and large trucks parked on Detroit Avenue being a hazard turning out of Pine Creek, and suggested limiting parking during certain times or a four-way stop at Pine Creek.

David Pitman, Concord, spoke to the Detroit Avenue project and the involvement of the Concord Park Neighborhood Association in getting the sidewalks on the east side fixed with CDBG funds and hoped this project would fix the west side of Detroit Avenue. Mr. Pitman also shared his concern about right-of-way dedication in relation to the planned Poetry Gardens development.

George Fulmore, Concord, spoke of the Detroit Avenue project and felt it was a good project; however, felt the intersection at Detroit and Sunshine was still dangerous and would eventually need a signal

Blanca Colin, Concord, spoke of the Detroit Avenue project and shared concerns about the speed on Detroit Avenue, and thanked the City for including the four-way stop at Walters Way and Detroit Avenue in the project.

Dalila Quirarte, Concord, thanked the City for the efforts on the Detroit Avenue project, recognized the Council for its involvement from the beginning and for the importance put on community participation, and thanked the Planning Department for taking into consideration the concerns from residents regarding the need for stop signs.

Coire Reilly, Contra Costa County Health Services, spoke of the Detroit Avenue project being one of the most rewarding projects he had worked on, and thanked the Council, staff, and the residents for their dedication to the project.

Nati Flores, Concord, spoke about her excitement for the Detroit Avenue project and her pleasure to see the stop sign added at Walters and that the community's feedback was applied to the project.

Elva Cruz, Concord, spoke in support of the street lighting and added that there would be a free Tuesday morning exercise group starting on March 17 at 8:30 a.m. at Meadow Homes Park.

Alex Chavez, Central County Regional Group, spoke of the group's participation in the Detroit Avenue project from the beginning, thanked Councilmember Birsan for his support on the project, and congratulated the City for involving the public in the process each step of the way.

Ana Villalobos, Concord, spoke about the Detroit Avenue project implementation being a dream come true and that the community felt its voice was strongly heard and acknowledged the strong support of City staff.

Nick Broman, Concord, spoke of the stop sign at Sunshine and Detroit Avenue being blocked by large vehicles parked on Detroit Avenue and noted he had contacted the Planning Department and Police Department about his concerns.

7. **CLOSED SESSION REPORTS** – None.

8. **COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS** – None.

The Councilmembers shared highlights of some of the events and activities in which they had participated since the last Council meeting.

9. **ADJOURNMENT - at 8:34 p.m.**

NOTICE

There is a 90-day limit for the filing of a challenge in the Superior Court to certain City administrative decisions and orders which require a hearing by law, the receipt of evidence, and the exercise of discretion. The 90-day limit begins on the date the decision is final (Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6). Further, if you challenge an action taken by the City Council in court, you may be limited, by California law, including but not limited to Government Code Section 65009, to raising only those issues you or someone else raised in the public hearing, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council prior to or at the public hearing. The City Council may be requested to reconsider a decision if the request is made prior to the next City Council meeting, regardless of whether it is a regular or special meeting (Policy and Procedure No. 2, Section 4.24). For information on the next regular or special City Council meeting, please call (925) 671-3390.

NEXT SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING: 8:30 a.m.; Saturday, March 14, 2015.

NEXT REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING: 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, March 24, 2015.

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