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Civic Center
1950 Parkside Drive
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Tuesday,
May 8, 2018

6:00 p.m. - Study Session
7:00 p.m. - Open Session

Council Chamber
1950 Parkside Drive

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AGENDIZED ITEMS – The public is entitled to address the City Council on items appearing on the agenda before or during the City Council’s consideration of that item. Each speaker will be limited to approximately three minutes.

1. OPENING

Roll Call – all present

Pledge to the Flag – Vice Mayor Obringer

2. STUDY SESSION

- a. **Study Session** – on Economic Development. **Presentation by Andrea Ouse, Director of Community and Economic Development, and Karan Reid, Director of Finance.**

ACTION: Study session held.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

This is a fifteen minute Public Comment Period for items within the City Council’s subject matter jurisdiction that are not on this agenda. Each speaker will be limited to approximately three minutes. State law prohibits the City Council from acting at this meeting on any matter raised during the Public Comment Period.

Florence Weiss, Downtown Program Manager, announced the upcoming Music and

Market season and recognized one of the winners of the annual Mother's Day essay contest who cannot attend the Saturday, May 12th event.

Catherine Hensick, Concord Art Association, outlined the Mayor's Student Art Gallery program.

Kenji Yamada, Concord, spoke about Concord Connect and thanked staff for their quick response to items submitted through the app.

Jay Bedeccare, Clayton, announced the 29th Annual Bay Area KidFest to be held Memorial Day weekend, May 26-28, at Mt. Diablo High School.

Maggie Knapp, Rising Sun Energy Center, shared about the work being done in Concord.

Jill Hernandez, Contra Costa County Horsemen's Association, spoke of fundraising efforts and events targeted at keeping agriculture in Concord.

Scott Gillespie and Bud Dansie, Red Devils Restoration, announced their Classic Car Show scheduled for Saturday, May 19, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Todos Santos Plaza.

George Fulmore, Concord, spoke of Concord parks.

Claire Weer, Concord, spoke of her home occupation tutorial business.

Ajit Kaushal, Concord, thanked the Council for its support of the recent Diversity Festival and spoke of the increase in his business garbage rates.

4. PRESENTATIONS

- a. **Presentation** – of Business Recognition Award to Jonathon Feit and Chris Witt of Beyond Lucid Technologies. **Introduction by Pedro Garcia, Economic Development Specialist; presentation by Mayor Birsan.**

ACTION: Jonathan Feit and Chris Witt, Beyond Lucid Technologies, presented with a Business Recognition Award.

- b. **Presentation** – to City Clerk's Office staff declaring the week of May 6 - 12, 2018, as "City Clerks' Week" in the City of Concord. **Introduction by Mayor Birsan.**

ACTION: Mayor Birsan presented City Clerk Office staff a proclamation declaring the week of May 6-12, 2018, as "City Clerks' Week" in the City of Concord.

- c. **Presentation** – by John Gregg, Convoy of Hope, on the Convoy of Hope event

held Saturday, April 28, 2018. **Introduction by Mayor Birsan.**

ACTION: John Gregg, Convoy of Hope, recapped the Convoy of Hope event held Saturday, April 28, 2018.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS -

ACTION: Mayor Birsan announced the Mayor's Art Project for elementary, middle, and high school students in Concord. Three pictures each quarter will be chosen, hung in the Mayor's office, and presented at a council meeting.

6. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

The public is entitled to address the City Council on items appearing on the Consent Calendar before or during the City Council's consideration of the Consent Calendar. Adoption of the Consent Calendar may be made by one motion of the City Council, provided that any Councilmember, individual or organization may request removal of an item from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration. If a request for removal of an item from the Consent Calendar has been received, the Mayor may defer action on the particular item and place the same on the regular agenda for consideration in any order s/he deems appropriate.

- a. **Considering** – approval of the minutes from the meetings of March 24 and 27, 2018. Recommended by the City Clerk.

The minutes from the meeting of March 24, 2018, were pulled from consideration by staff.

ACTION: Minutes from the meeting of March 24, 2018 approved. Motion passed by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: Leone, McGallian, Obringer, Birsan NOES: None ABSENT: Hoffmeister

- b. **Considering** – adoption of Resolution No. 18-36 increasing the maximum grant and loan amounts and reducing the contractor retention for the Housing Rehabilitation Grant and Loan Program. Recommended by the Director of Community and Economic Development.

ACTION: Resolution No. 18-36 adopted. Motion passed by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: Leone, McGallian, Obringer, Birsan NOES: None ABSENT: Hoffmeister

- c. **Considering** – adoption of Resolution No. 18-39 supporting Proposition 68: The California Clean Water and Safe Parks Act. Recommended by the Director of Parks and Recreation.

ACTION: Resolution No. 18-39 adopted. Motion passed by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: Leone, McGallian, Obringer, Birsan NOES: None ABSENT: Hoffmeister

- d. **Considering** – approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Brown and Caldwell in the amount of \$235,452 to provide preliminary studies and related services for the Citywide Sewer Condition Assessment Study (Project No. 2208), subject to the approval of the City Attorney, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement. Recommended by the Director of Community and Economic Development.

CEQA: Not a “project” under CEQA Guidelines 15060(c)(2) and 15378; in the alternative, is exempt pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3).

ACTION: Professional Services Agreement with Brown and Caldwell in the amount of \$235,452 approved; City Manager authorized to execute the agreement. Motion passed by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: Leone, McGallian, Obringer, Birsan NOES: None ABSENT: Hoffmeister

- e. **Considering** – adoption of Resolution No. 18-41 opposing the Tax Fairness, Transparency, and Accountability Act of 2018. Recommended by the City Clerk.

ACTION: Resolution No. 18-41 adopted. Motion passed by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: Leone, McGallian, Obringer, Birsan NOES: None ABSENT: Hoffmeister

- f. **Considering** – adoption of City Council Policy and Procedure No. 178 – Legislative Advocacy Program and Platform. Recommended by the Assistant City Manager.

This item was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Concord resident Kenji Yamada.

ACTION: Policy and Procedure No. 178 – Legislative Advocacy Program and Platform adopted. Motion passed by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: Leone, McGallian, Obringer, Birsan NOES: None ABSENT: Hoffmeister

- g. **Considering** – authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement in an amount not to exceed \$36,000 with Godbe Research for community surveying services. (General Fund) Recommended by the Assistant City Manager.

ACTION: Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$36,000 with Godbe Research approved; City Manager authorized to execute the agreement. Motion passed by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: Leone, McGallian, Obringer, Birsan NOES: None ABSENT: Hoffmeister

7. CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION ITEM

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- a. **Considering** – enrollment in MCE’s “Light Green” or “Deep Green” programs or opting-out to remain with PG&E for the City’s municipal electricity accounts. **Report by Coleman Frick, Associate Planner.**

CEQA: Not a project under Public Resources Code Section 21065, 14 Cal Code Regs. Section 15060(c)(3), or Section 15378.

ACTION: Report heard; public testimony given; staff directed to retain enrollment of all City municipal electrical accounts in MCE’s “Light Green” program and study solar and other energy efficient options.

8. CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

Persons who wish to speak on Public Hearings listed on the agenda will be heard when the public hearing is opened, except on public hearing items previously heard and closed to public comment. After the public has commented, the item is closed to further public comment and brought to the Council level for discussion and action. Further comment from the audience will not be received unless requested by the Council. No public hearing shall commence after 10 p.m. unless approved by majority vote of the City Council.

- a. **Considering** – adoption of Resolution No. 18-40 adopting the Capital Budget for Fiscal Years 2018-19 and 2019-20. **Report by Kevin Marstall, Interim City Engineer.**

CEQA: Not a project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(c)(2), 15061(b)(3), 15262, or 15378.

ACTION: Report heard; public testimony given; Resolution No. 18-40 adopting the Capital Budget adopted.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence received at the City Council meeting will be listed here on the Annotated Agenda.

- a. April 13, 2018, letter to California State Assemblymembers Chiu and Grayson regarding AB 2923 (Chiu/Grayson) San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit: TOD Notice of Opposition Unless Amended
- b. April 18, 2018, letter to Governor Brown in support of State Budget Funding to Strengthen Disaster Response
- c. HdL Companies Revenue and Development Trends PowerPoint Presentation
- d. City of Concord's Economic Development Program PowerPoint Presentation
- e. 2018 Music and Market Series brochure
- f. KidFest 2018 Flyer
- g. Contra Costa Horseman's Association Mother's Day Tea Party Flyer
- h. Contra Costa Horseman's Association Chili Cook Off Fundraiser Flyer
- i. Red Devils Restoration Car Show Flyer
- j. The Bay Church Convoy of Hope Concord Event Results Flyer
- k. City Electrical Accounts PowerPoint Presentation
- l. Correspondence Received – Agenda Item No. 7.a
- m. Capital Budget PowerPoint Presentation
- n. Comments dated May 8, 2018, submitted by George Fulmore regarding Agenda Item No. 8.a.

10. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Closed Session Announcements - **none**
- b. City Manager or Staff Reports - **none**
- c. Council Reports - **Councilmembers shared information on events and activities in which they had participated since the last meeting and commented on items of interest.**

The Council discussed adding art to one of the standing committees and there was support to add it to the Youth and Education Committee, making the committee the Youth, Education, and Art Committee.

11. ADJOURNMENT – 10:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: Regular Meeting
Date: 5/22/2018 - 6:30 PM

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The following is a list of regular **Council Committee** meeting dates. Most meetings are held in the Garden Conference Room, 1950 Parkside Drive, Concord. **NOTE: Meetings are subject to change or cancellation. For latest information and committee agendas please call 671-3158.**

Committee	Chair/Member	Meeting Time
Policy Development & Internal Operations	Birsan/Obringer	2 nd Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.
Housing & Economic Development	Obringer/McGallian	4 th Monday at 5:30 p.m.
Infrastructure & Franchise	Hoffmeister/Leone	2 nd Monday at 6:00 p.m.
Recreation, Cultural Affairs & Comm. Svc.	McGallian/Birsan	3 rd Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.
Youth & Education	Leone/Hoffmeister	3 rd Monday at 6:00 p.m.