

Please note: 6:00 p.m.
Start Time

COUNCILMEMBERS

Edi E. Birsan, Mayor
Carlyn S. Obringer, Vice Mayor
Laura M. Hoffmeister
Ronald E. Leone
Timothy A. McGallian

Civic Center
1950 Parkside Drive
Concord, CA 94519
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**Regular Meeting of the
Concord City Council**

Tuesday,
August 7, 2018

6:00 p.m. - Open Session

Council Chamber
1950 Parkside Drive

Information for the public on participation at Council meetings can be found on the back of the Speaker Identification Card located near the Council Chamber entrance. Should you have any questions after consulting the Speaker Identification Card, please contact the City Clerk prior to the Council meeting.

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 – Councilmember McGallian

2. 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.

Rhea Laughlin, First 5 Contra Costa and Raise the Roof, shared information regarding recently released housing report and requested time on a future agenda to present the report.

Jima Monson, Central County Regional Group, statement read into the record regrading rent increases.

Kristi Laughlin, East Bay Alliance for Sustainable Economy, spoke about the housing crisis and the recently released housing report.

Debra Bernstein, Monument Impact, spoke about rent increases and unjust evictions.

Natalie, spoke about climate change and creating a sense of fair play.

Jaime Cader, Concord, spoke about rent increases.

Marianna Moore, Concord, spoke about the recently released housing report and read a letter from John Muir Health that is included with the report.

Chris Ricci, Chris Ricci Presents, Inc., announced the Taco Fest taking place August 25, at Todos Santos Plaza.

George Fulmore, Concord, spoke about rent increases, the condition of Monument Blvd, and Code Enforcement visits to 1500 Monument Blvd regarding their Lottery sign.

Ajit Kaushal, Concord, spoke about the new Shiva Murugan Temple being built in Concord and announced the Second Annual Concord Murugan Festival on September 1 and 2, 2018.

Matt Light, invited the Council and public to the cannabis education day on September 8, 2018, 10am – 3pm at Todos Santos Plaza.

Elenie Daphnis, Concord, spoke about rent increases and the landlord not responding to maintenance issues.

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS -**

City Clerk Joelle Fockler announced the upcoming Fall 2018 Concord Community Institute starting September 22, 2018. Applications are due by Friday, August 24, 2018.

4. **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 May 8 and May 22, 2018. Recommended by the City Clerk.

The May 22, 2018, meeting minutes were removed from consideration by staff to return at a later date.

ACTION: Meeting minutes from the meeting of May 8, 2018, adopted.

- b. **Considering** – designation of Mayor Birsan as voting delegate and Councilmember McGallian as alternate for the League of California Cities Annual Business Meeting scheduled for Friday, September 14, at 12:30 p.m. at the Long Beach Convention Center. Recommended by the Mayor.

ACTION: Mayor Birsan designated as voting delegate and Councilmember McGallian as alternate for the League of California Cities Annual Business Meeting.

- c. **Considering** – approval of a \$400,000 and one year extension amendment to the Agreement for Professional Services with Advanced Mobility Group (AMG) associated with Engineering Staff Augmentation Services for the Transportation Division; and authorizing the City Manager to execute the amendment in a form acceptable to the City Attorney. (Transportation Division Funds) Recommended by the Director of Community and Economic Development.

This item was pulled from the Council Consent Calendar by Concord resident George Fulmore.

ACTION: A \$400,000 and one year extension amendment to the Agreement for Professional Services with Advanced Mobility Group (AMG) associated with Engineering Staff Augmentation Services for the Transportation Division approved; and City Manager authorized to execute the amendment in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

5. CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION ITEM

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.

- a. **Considering** – adoption of Resolution No. 18-58 calling for and giving notice of a November 6, 2018, election on a proposed ballot measure to extend an existing voter-approved Local Transactions and Use (Sales) Tax at a one cent (1%) rate until repealed by the voters to fund general municipal services such as street repair and public safety; and establishing the policies and procedures for such an election and requesting that the County of Contra Costa conduct such an election. Recommended by the City Manager.

CEQA: Exempt per Public Resources Code section 21065, CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378(b)(4), 15061(b)(3), 15273, and/or 15060.

ACTION: Report heard; public testimony taken; Resolution No. 18-58 failed by the following vote of the Council:

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

6. CORRESPONDENCE

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

- a. Correspondence Received – Agenda Item No. 5.a
- b. The Housing Crisis Hits Home in Concord report
- c. Second Annual Concord Murugan Festival invitation
- d. Cannabis Education Day flyer
- e. PowerPoint Presentation – Agenda item No. 5.a – Proposed Measure Q Ballot Measure
- f. PowerPoint Presentation – Agenda item No. 5.a – City of Concord: 2018 Survey Results Highlights

7. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Closed Session Announcements - none
- b. City Manager or Staff Reports - none
- c. Council Reports

Appointment – of an ad-hoc committee to work with staff to review the architecture of all construction projects that need planning permits in the inner and outer downtown core for up to the next six months. **Report by Mayor Birsan.**

ACTION: Councilmember Leone and Mayor Birsan appointed to an ad-hoc committee to work with staff to review the architecture of all construction projects that need planning permits in the inner and outer downtown core for up to the next six months.

Councilmembers shared information on events and activities in which they had participated since the last meeting and commented on items of interest.

8. ADJOURNMENT – at 8:05 p.m.

Next Meeting: Special Meeting

Date: 8/11/2018 - 9:00 AM

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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.