

REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CONCORD CITY COUNCIL/CITY  
COUNCIL SITTING AS THE LOCAL  
REUSE AUTHORITY  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER  
1950 PARKSIDE DRIVE  
CONCORD, CALIFORNIA  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2016

The Concord City Council met in a regular meeting in the Council Chamber located at 1950 Parkside Drive at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, 2016, with Mayor Hoffmeister presiding. The pledge of allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Leone. Minutes follow in abbreviated form per Resolution 3361 and Council Minutes of September 26, 1966.

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Edi Birsan, Tim Grayson, Dan Helix, Ron Leone, Laura Hoffmeister

STAFF PRESENT: Valerie Barone, City Manager; Brian Libow, Interim City Attorney; Tim McGallian, City Treasurer; Joelle Fockler, City Clerk; Jovan Grogan, Deputy City Manager; Guy Swanger, Chief of Police; Guy Bjerke, Director of Community Reuse Planning; Victoria Walker, Director of Community and Economic Development; Karen Reid, Director of Finance; Justin Ezell, Director of Public Works; Steve Voorhies, Director of Parks and Recreation; Elia Bamberger, Director of Human Resources; Janell Hampton, Budget Officer; Laura Simpson, Planning Manager; Leslye Asera, Community Relations Manager; Deborah Yamamoto, Senior Financial Analyst

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
WHO ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL: Joe Partansky, Concord; Jonathan Espalin, Concord; Yelena Myakisheva, Concord; Dr. Harmesh Kumar, Concord; Cynthia Armour, Bike East Bay; Jeanette Green, Concord; Paul Poston, Concord

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Joe Partansky, Concord, commented on an article about the Mayor in the Concord Pioneer and requested that information like that in the article be posted on the City's website.

Jonathan Espalin, Concord, complimented Concord on the reconfiguration of Detroit Avenue to include a bike lane.

Yelena Myakisheva, Concord, congratulated the City on the new Detroit Avenue bike lanes, and commented that she felt much safer when biking on Detroit Avenue.

Dr. Harmesh Kumar, Concord, congratulated Mayor Hoffmeister on the State of the City address and requested funding for mental health to increase training for police officers and help deter crime.

Cynthia Armour, Bike East Bay, spoke of City of Concord Project No. 2277 and her concern that there will not be public input at the upcoming February 10 Concord Streetscapes

Plan meeting to be held at the Senior Center.

Jeanette Green, Concord, gave kudos to the Chief and Concord Police Department for working with Holbrook Heights on many aspects including code enforcement, parking enforcement, and trespassers.

PRESENTATIONS

UPDATE ON POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

Mayor Hoffmeister introduced Chief of Police Guy Swanger who presented an update on department activities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Joelle Fockler announced a recruitment to fill an unexpected vacancy on the Concord Pavilion Outreach Committee for a term ending February 28, 2017; and set Friday, March 4, 2016, at 5 p.m. as the deadline for receipt of applications by the City Clerk.

CITY COUNCIL  
MATTERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Grayson and seconded by Birsan to approve the minutes from the meeting of January 12, 2016. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

CITY COUNCIL SITTING  
AS THE LOCAL REUSE AUTHORITY

MASTER AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – Fieldman Rolapp & Associates

Authority Member Leone declared a conflict by stating that he must abstain due to the fact that his residence is within 500 feet of the project, and left the Chamber for the duration of the item.

Motion was made by Grayson and seconded by Helix to approve a Master Agreement for Professional Services to provide municipal advisory financial services related to the Area Plan for the former Concord Naval Weapons Station with Fieldman Rolapp & Associates not to exceed \$40,000 for Stage 1 Scope of Services; and authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement. Motion passed by the following vote of the Authority:

AYES: Birsan, Grayson, Helix, Hoffmeister    NOES: None    ABSTAIN: Leone

MID-YEAR BUDGET REVIEW

Finance Director Karan Reid and Budget Officer Janell Hampton presented a report, referring to the staff report dated February 2, 2016, and providing an update on the current status of the City's General Fund and other non-General Fund accounts at the mid-point of the current fiscal year, December 31, 2015.

Following questions by Councilmembers and clarifications by staff, Mayor Hoffmeister opened a public comment period.

Joe Partansky, Concord, commented on the Public, Education and Government (PEG) Fund one-time expenditure.

Mayor Hoffmeister closed the public comment period.

Following comments by the Council, a motion was made by Helix and seconded by Leone to adopt Resolution No. 16-9 entitled, "A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-16." Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Police Department Update PowerPoint Presentation.
- b. Mid-year Budget PowerPoint Presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON PRESENTATION ITEMS

Paul Poston, Concord, commended the Chief on his presentation and thanked the Police Department for doing an excellent job and requested information on Proposition 47 at some point in the future.

Joe Partansky, Concord, spoke of the importance of communication with the public.

CLOSED SESSION REPORTS – None

COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS

It was the consensus of the Council to hold a Brown Act presentation study session.

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

By order of the Mayor, the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

  
LAURA M. HOFFMEISTER  
MAYOR

  
JOELLE FOCKLER, CMC  
CITY CLERK