

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CONCORD CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
1950 PARKSIDE DRIVE
CONCORD, CALIFORNIA
TUESDAY, MAY 24, 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, May 24, 2016, with Mayor Hoffmeister presiding. The pledge of allegiance was led by Mt. Diablo Silverado Council, Boy Scouts of America. 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; Susanne Brown, City Attorney; Tim McGallian, City Treasurer; Marsha Moore, Deputy City Clerk; Guy Swanger, Chief of Police; Karan Reid, Director of Finance; Victoria Walker, Director of Community and Economic Development; Steve Voorhies, Director of Parks and Recreation; Robert Ovadia, City Engineer; Jeff Lewis, Director of Information Technology; Leslye Asera, Community Relations Manager; Mario Camorongan, Senior Civil Engineer; David Boatwright, Administrative Analyst; Bernard Enrile, Associate Civil Engineer; Suzanne McDonald, Financial Operations Manager; Janell Hampton, Budget Officer

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL: Jay Bedecarre, Kidfest; Linda Lorenzetti, Concord; Liz DeLa Campa, Concord; Dr. Harmesh Kumar, Concord; Victoria Briseño, Pittsburg; George Fulmore, Concord; Phil Kelley, Clayton; Joe Partansky, Concord

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Jay Bedecarre, KidFest, announced the 27th Annual KidFest being held at Mt Diablo High School May 27-29, 2016.

Linda Lorenzetti, Concord, spoke on behalf of City of Concord retirees and their concerns about the possible reduction of retiree medical benefits.

Liz De La Campa, Concord, spoke in support of lifetime medical benefits for retired City of Concord employees.

Dr. Harmesh Kumar, Concord, stated that the original idea of the spring Diversity Festival was to bring kids of different faiths together and now, 13 years later, the Diversity Festival is happening jointly with KidFest.

Victoria Briseño, Pittsburg, owner of an apartment complex in Concord, shared her concern about recent rent increases being excessive and unreasonable and asked that rent control be looked into by the Housing and Economic Development Committee.

George Fulmore, Concord, spoke in support of the Housing and Economic Development Committee looking at the issue of rent control.

Phil Kelley, Clayton, spoke as a retired City of Concord employee, noted that the retiree health benefit has been an asset to him and his family and made the sacrifices he made as an employee worth it, and requested that a cap or cost sharing be abolished for retiree health benefits.

Joe Partansky, Concord, wanted to play a video entitled, *Perspectives on California Affordable Housing*, but due to technical difficulties could not. He informed the public that the video was prepared by the California Legislative Analyst's Office and can be found at <http://lao.ca.gov/publications/report/3345> along with a written report.

PRESENTATIONS - None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Hoffmeister announced a recruitment to fill an unscheduled vacancy on the Community Services Commission for a term ending June 30, 2019, and on the Design Review Board for a term ending February 28, 2019; and setting Friday, June 24, 2016, at 5 p.m. as the deadline for receipt of applications by the City Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 22 and 28, 2016

This item was removed from the agenda.

SET PUBLIC HEARING

Motion was made by Grayson and seconded by Birsan to set a public hearing for Tuesday, June 14, and Tuesday, June 28, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber to consider approval of the following: 1) Fiscal Years 2016-2017 and 2017-18 Capital Improvement Budget; 2) Mid-cycle adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Operating Budget and Updates to the Ten-Year Financial Forecast; and 3) Annual Appropriation Limits and Adjustment. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council.

AWARD OF CONTRACT – Musco Sports Lighting, LLC

Motion was made by Grayson and seconded by Birsan to award a contract in the amount of \$462,871 to Musco Sports Lighting, LLC of Muscatine, Iowa for the supply of materials, delivery, installation of field lighting, and related work for the Willow Pass Park Field Lights Replacement project, Project No. 2347; and approving a related budget transfer in the amount of \$60,000. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-4735.1

Motion was made by Grayson and seconded by Birsan to approve Resolution No. 16-4735.1 entitled, "A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ADDENDUM TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CONCORD AND TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION 856 PROVIDING A 10 PERCENT BASE PAY INCREASE FOR LEAD DISPATCHER AND POLICE DISPATCHER II CLASSIFICATIONS." Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-4735.2

Motion was made by Grayson and seconded by Birsan to approve Resolution No. 16-4735.2 entitled, "A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ADDENDUM TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CONCORD AND THE OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION (OPEIU) LOCAL 29 ADJUSTING COMPENSATION TO FOUR ENGINEERING CLASSIFICATIONS, JUNIOR ENGINEER, ASSISTANT ENGINEER, ASSOCIATE CIVIL ENGINEER AND PLAN CHECK ENGINEER, AND APPROVING ADJUSTMENT TO COMPENSATION FOR THE CITY ENGINEER CLASSIFICATION." Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council.

LETTER OF SUPPORT – to Representative DeSaulnier for House Resolution 616

Motion was made by Grayson and seconded by Birsan to approve a letter of support to Representative DeSaulnier for House Resolution 616 Publically Exonerating the 50 African American Sailors of the United States Navy who were tried and convicted of mutiny in connection with their services at the Port Chicago Naval Magazine in Concord, California, during World War II. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council.

APPROPRIATING OPERATING FUNDS – Police Department

Motion made by Grayson and seconded by Birsan to approve the appropriation and expenditure of \$121,622.20 in Police Department operating funds for hardware and software upgrades to the Leica ScanStation PS40 (Forensic Diagramming Equipment) and associated crime scene collision diagramming software. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council.

AWARD OF CONTRACT – to Public Restroom Company

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar by citizen George Fulmore.

George Fulmore, Concord, felt the budget for Ellis Lake Park bathrooms had increased from \$325,000 to \$365,000 and requested more information about the budget, and he asked that the Council put attention toward the play structure at Meadow Homes Park next.

City Engineer Robert Ovidia addressed the questions about the budget for the project and acknowledged the total budget was \$365,000. He noted the preparation for the site would come back to Council at a later date and this item was for the approval of the building and installation.

Mayor Hoffmeister opened a public comment period.

Dr. Harmesh Kumar, Concord, did not feel it made sense to pay \$325,000 to build a bathroom in a park.

Mayor Hoffmeister closed public comment.

Following discussion by the Council, a motion was made by Birsan and seconded by Helix to award a contract in the amount of \$153,223 to Public Restroom Company of Minden, Nevada, for the Ellis Lake Park Restroom Building, Project No. 2351. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

City Engineer Robert Ovidia made a presentation to the City Council regarding the City's Capital Improvement Program, including the projects completed in FY15-16, projects under construction or soon to be, other on-going projects and the proposed 2-Year Capital Budget for

Fiscal Years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018. Director of Information Technology Jeff Lewis made a presentation to the City Council regarding the Information Technology Projects in the City's Capital Improvement Program, including active Information Technology projects and new Information Technology Projects for Fiscal Years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

The Council asked clarifying questions regarding the Clayton Road/Treat Blvd improvements, the Willow Pass Park Restroom project, Market Street utility undergrounding, Downtown Concord Bicycle Improvements, the Detroit Ave/Whitman Rd project, sources for money for the Trash Capture Program, accessibility projects, the Concord Pool Deck project, the Police Department's records system, asset and street light tracking, timecard software, data from video surveillance for parks, license plate readers, and traffic flow and light synchronization.

Mayor Hoffmeister opened a public comment period.

George Fulmore, Concord, applauded the City on the Detroit Ave project, suggested Walters Way was beyond repair, asked how the park improvement budget got higher and asked if texting was available for 911.

Joe Partansky, Concord, spoke about asset tracking, suggested tracking the entire light system and specific events, and asked if the ADA Transition Plan had been approved in the budget.

Mayor Hoffmeister closed the public comment period.

The Council shared their thoughts on the budget, the future expiration of Measure Q and suggestions for items not on the list of projects. Mayor Hoffmeister reminded the public there would be two Public Hearings on June 14 and June 28 in the Council Chamber on the two-year Capital Improvement Budget and mid-cycle adjustments of the current Operating Budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - CONTINUED

Mayor Hoffmeister acknowledged the Public Comment period for non-agenda items was still open and noted she had attempted to help Mr. Partansky connect to show the Council the video he referenced earlier in the meeting. Mayor Hoffmeister was able to connect on a different device and relayed that the video referred to the California Legislative Analyst's Office having information on affordable housing and the general housing crisis in the State. She suggested maybe he could share the information at the Housing and Economic Development Committee meeting.

Joe Partansky, Concord, acknowledged he had the correct information to connect and asked for technical assistance in the future to check his computer's connection.

CORRESPONDENCE


- a. Memo removing Item 5.a from the agenda.
- b. Benched Item No. 5.g – 114th Congress House Resolution 66.
- c. Letters from City of Concord Retirees.
- d. Item 6.a - Capital Budget FY 2016-2017 & 2017-2018 PowerPoint Presentation.
- e. Councilmember Leone's sample street sign handout.

CLOSED SESSION REPORTS – None

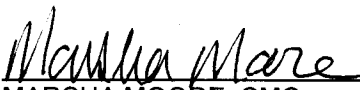
COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS

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 10:07 p.m. in honor of former Concord Police Captain John Patrick Huddleston.



LAURA M. HOFFMEISTER
MAYOR



MARSHA MOORE, CMC
DEPUTY CITY CLERK