



CITY OF NEWARK CITY COUNCIL

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City Administration Building
7:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers

Minutes

Thursday, March 12, 2020

A. ROLL CALL

Mayor Nagy called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were Council Members Hannon, Collazo, Freitas, and Bucci.

B. MINUTES

B.1 Approval of Minutes of the City Council special and regular meetings of, February 13, 2020. **MOTION APPROVED**

Council Member Collazo moved, Council Member Bucci seconded, to approve the Minutes of the regular City Council meeting. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

C. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

C.1 Proclaiming March as American Red Cross Month.

Jay Pimental of the American Red Cross Leadership Council accepted the proclamation.

C.2 Proclaiming March as March for Meals Month.

Patricia Osage of Meals on Wheels Alameda County accepted the proclamation.

D. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

F. CITY MANAGER REPORTS

City Manager Benoun requested that the City Council consider adding an urgency item to the agenda. He stated that Interim City Attorney Kokotaylo would provide the item details after the approval of the Consent Calendar

Council Member Bucci moved, Council Member Collazo seconded, to approve Consent Calendar Items F.1 through F.2, that the resolutions be numbered consecutively, and that reading of the titles suffice for adoption of the resolutions. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

CONSENT

- F.1 Approval of the recommendation from the Community Development Advisory Committee for allocation of Community Development Block Grant Jurisdiction Improvement Project funds for fiscal year 2020-2021.**

MOTION APPROVED

- F.2 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Contractual Services Agreement with Coro Medical, LLC to provide new Automated External Defibrillator (AED) units and ongoing Public AED Program Services and amending the 2018-2020 Biennial Budget and Capital Improvement Plan for fiscal year 2019-2020.**

RESOLUTION NO. 11028

CONTRACT NO. 20015

NONCONSENT

Interim City Attorney Kokotaylo requested that the City Council find a need to consider the impacts of the COVID-19 virus (Coronavirus) on City resources. There have been significant developments since the agenda was posted and that an urgency item should be added to the agenda to allow staff to update the City Council. Council Member Freitas moved, Council Member Bucci seconded to add the urgency item as F.5 to the agenda. The motion passed 5 AYES.

- F.3 Overview of the 2020-2022 Capital Improvement Plan.**

Public Works Director Fajeau and Assistant City Engineer Imai gave the presentation (on file with City Clerk). The Executive Team will review of the proposed CIP projects in March. A formal review of the Draft CIP, including recommended project rankings, is scheduled to be presented to the City Council on April 23, 2020. This item was informational only.

- F.4 Approval to add classification of Finance Director by: (1) amending the Employee Classification Plan and the Compensation and Benefit Plan for City Officials and the Management, Supervisory, and Professional Employee Group; and (2) approving an Amendment to the City's Salary Schedule in conformance with California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 570.5.**

RESOLUTION NO. 11029-11030

City Manager Benoun gave the staff report recommending approval of the Finance Director classification. He stated that this would be a Department Head position with a monthly salary range of \$14,179 to \$20,557 (range 24) and the same benefits that the City's executives receive.

Council Member Hannon moved, Council Member Collazo seconded to by resolutions: (1) amend Resolution No. 2505, Employee Classification Plan, to add one new classification entitled Finance Director; and (2) amend Resolution No. 10962, the Compensation and Benefit Plan for City Officials and the Management, Supervisory, and Professional Employee Group to add the classification, Finance Director. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

F.5 Update on the COVID-19 Virus on City Resources.

City Manager Benoun stated that in response to the COVID-19 Virus, the City has increased janitorial services in all city buildings, purchased cleaning products for staff use, and provided safety trainings for staff. For the public, information has been placed on the City website and social media. Nonessential public gatherings have been canceled.

City Manager stated that the Senior Center is open, but activities have been canceled. Interim City Attorney Kokotaylo is preparing resolutions in case a local emergency needs to be declared at a future date.

G. CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

H. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

I. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS

Mayor Nagy stated that the NewBark Dog Park grand opening and the annual Family Day at The Park have been canceled. He congratulated Krysten Lee on her promotion to Finance Director. He stated that he attended the AC Transit meeting for bus service in the cities of Fremont and Newark. AC Transit plans to eliminate service from residential areas and he requested that staff to return at a future meeting with the impact of the AC Transit Plan to the community.

Council Member Collazo stated that March 8, 2020 was National Womens' Day, and commended the women in Newark. She stated to stay healthy and Shop Newark.

Council Member Bucci reminded everyone to wash their hands.

Council Member Freitas commended Police Officer Karl Fredstrom who was named Employee of the Year. He complimented the Public Works Department for the recent tree trimming work in the City.

Council Member Hannon thanked the public safety officers for their service. He wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

J. CITY COUNCIL ACTING AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

K. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Ron Brazil requested that the City Council allow larger accessory dwelling units with a size formula based on lot size. He stated that he did not understand why Air Bnb rentals were not allowed. He requested that the landscaping water at Susan Johnson Park be monitored to save water and money.

L. APPROPRIATIONS

Approval of Audited Demands.

MOTION APPROVED

City Clerk Harrington read the Register of Audited Demands: Check numbers 120231 to 120489.

Council Member Bucci moved, Council Member Freitas seconded, to approve the Register of Audited Demands. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

M. CLOSED SESSION

N. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Nagy adjourned the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

SHEILA HARRINGTON
City Clerk