At 6:10 p.m. Mayor Nagy called the meeting to order. He announced that in accordance with State of California Executive Order N-29-20, the meeting was teleconferenced from remote locations and the City Council Chambers were closed. He reviewed the various ways that the public could participate in the meeting and announced that all votes would be by roll call.

A. ROLL CALL

Council Members Bucci, Hannon, Collazo, Vice Mayor Freitas, and Mayor Nagy were present from various remote locations.

B. MINUTES

B.1 Approval of Minutes of the City Council meetings of March 26 and April 9, 2020.

Vice Mayor Freitas moved, Council Member Collazo seconded to approve the minutes. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

C. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

D. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

F. CITY MANAGER REPORTS

Council Member Collazo moved, Council Member Bucci seconded, to approve Consent Calendar Items F.1 through F.6, 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 Establishing the number of residents in the City of Newark for the purpose of determining the voluntary expenditure ceiling for the November 3, 2020, Municipal Election. RESOLUTION NO. 11039

F.2 Authorization for the Public Works Director to renew the contract with Chrisp Company for 2020 Citywide Thermoplastic Street Striping, Project 1242. RESOLUTION NO. 11040

F.3 Initiation of the 2020 Weed Abatement Program and setting May 28, 2020 for a public hearing. RESOLUTION NO. 11041

F.4 Adopt a resolution designating, by title, the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and Finance Director as Authorized Agents and authorizing the California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Form 130 - Designation of Applicant’s Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies. RESOLUTION NO. 11042

F.5 Approval of a First Amendment to a Contractual Services Agreement with Hurst/Harrigan Associates for retail retention and attraction services at NewPark Mall. RESOLUTION NO. 11043 CONTRACT NO. 19057

F.6 Acceptance of the SB 2 Planning Grant Award Authorizing Receipt of the Funds to be used toward the Old Town Newark Specific Plan. RESOLUTION NO. 11044

NONCONSENT


Finance Director Lee gave the presentation (on file with City Clerk).
F.8 Resolution authorizing the Annual Program Application Submittal for Measures B and BB funding of Ride-On Tri-City! transportation services. 

RESOLUTION NO. 11045

Recreation and Community Services Director Zehnder gave the report recommending approval.

Council Member Collazo moved, Council Member Bucci seconded to by resolution, authorize the City Manager or his or her designee to submit the Annual Paratransit Program Plan Application for Measure B and Measure BB funding for Ride-On Tri-City! transportation services for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

F.9 Oral Update on the City’s response to the COVID-19 Local Emergency. 

INFORMATIONAL

City Manager Benoun provided an update to the City Council.

F.10 Direction to Initiate Proceedings for the Levy and Collection of Assessments for Landscaping and Lighting District Nos. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 in accordance with the provisions of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972. 

RESOLUTION NO. 11046

Council Member Collazo announced that she would recuse herself from participation because she owned properties within Districts 10 and 11.

City Manager Benoun announced that he would recuse himself from participation because he owned property in District 11.

City Clerk Harrington placed both Council Member Collazo and City Manager Benoun on hold within the Zoom app which disabled their audio and video access.

Public Works Director Fajeau gave the staff report recommending approval.

Council Member Hannon moved, Council Member Bucci seconded to by resolution, initiate proceedings for the levy and collection of assessments for Landscaping and Lighting District Nos. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 in accordance with the provisions of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 for fiscal year 2020-2021. The motion passed, 4 AYES, 1 RECUSED (Collazo).

Council Member Collazo and City Manager Benoun rejoined the meeting.

G. CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS
H. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

I. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS

Mayor Nagy commended people who are volunteering their time to assist others in need during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Vice Mayor Freitas introduced his grandchildren.

Council Member Collazo thanked everyone who was helping during the pandemic. She noted that the Census deadline has been extended and offered to help anyone who needed assistance to fill out their response. Shop Newark!

Council Member Bucci thanked staff for facilitating the teleconference of the meeting. He welcomed Assistant City Manager Hovorka.

Council Member Hannon commended the teachers for their hard work.

City Manager Benoun announced that April 15 marked 40 years of elected service for Mayor Nagy. He also stated that there would be a presentation on the Census in May.

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

K. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

No one requested to speak.

L. APPROPRIATIONS

Approval of Audited Demands. MOTION APPROVED

City Clerk Harrington read the Register of Audited Demands: Check numbers 120733 to 120850.

Council Member Collazo moved, Council Member Bucci seconded, to approve the Register of Audited Demands. The motion passed, 5 AYES.
M. CLOSED SESSION

M.1 Closed session for conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative: City Manager Benoun and Assistant City Manager Hovorka, Employee Groups: the Newark Police Association, the Newark Police Management Association, the Newark Association of Miscellaneous Employees; City Officials and the Management, Supervisory, and Professional Employee Group; and the Confidential Employee Group.

At 7:31 p.m. the City Council recessed to a closed session.

At 7:32 p.m. the City Council convened in closed session.

At 8:20 p.m. the City Council reconvened in open session with all Council Members present.

N. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:20 p.m. Mayor Nagy adjourned the City Council meeting.