

City of Chula Vista

Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, February 2, 2021

5:00 PM

Via Teleconference
Council Chambers
276 4th Avenue, Building A
Chula Vista, CA 91910

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Pursuant to the Governor of the State of California's Executive Order N-29-20, and in the interest of public health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic, members of the City Council and staff participated in this meeting via teleconference. Members of the public participated remotely and were not present in Council Chambers. All votes were taken by roll call and public comments were submitted electronically or otherwise in writing.

The City Council minutes are prepared and ordered to correspond to the City Council Agenda. Agenda items may be taken out of order during the meeting.

The agenda items at this meeting were considered in the order presented.

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the City Council was called to order at 5:06 p.m. via teleconference and in the Council Chambers, located at 276 Fourth Avenue, Chula Vista, California.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmember Cardenas, Councilmember Galvez, Deputy Mayor McCann, Councilmember Padilla and Mayor Casillas Salas

Councilmember Padilla arrived at 5:11 p.m.

Also Present: City Manager Kachadoorian, City Attorney Googins, City Clerk Bigelow, and Assistant City Clerk Turner

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

Deputy Mayor McCann led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

A. [21-0580](#) COVID-19 UPDATE BY CITY OF CHULA VISTA EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR MARLON KING

Emergency Services Coordinator King gave a presentation on the item.

Councilmember Padilla arrived at 5:11 p.m.

Fire Chief Muns provided an update on the status of four firefighters who had been injured in a commercial building fire.

Kathleen Lippitt submitted comments expressing concern regarding mental health impacts of the COVID pandemic and marijuana use.

B. [20-0536](#) PRESENTATION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENTS WEBSITE UPDATE

Police Chief Kennedy and Supervising Public Safety Analyst Walker gave a presentation on the item.

Richard Roy submitted comments requesting information regarding encrypted channels.

C. [21-0016](#) PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING JANUARY 30, 2021 AS FRED KOREMATSU DAY OF CIVIL LIBERTIES AND THE CONSTITUTION IN THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA

Mayor Casillas Salas read the proclamation and virtually presented it to Kay Ochi, President of the Japanese Historical Society of San Diego.

The following members of the public submitted comments in support of the item:

-Margaret Baker, representing San Diego People Power

-Erin TsurumotoGrassi, representing Alliance San Diego

-Kay Ochi, Chula Vista resident

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 1 - 5)

Item 5 was removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of Councilmembers Galvez and Padilla.

1. [21-0581](#) APPROVAL OF MINUTES of June 23, July 14 and 28, 2020.

Recommended Action: Council approve the minutes.

2. [21-0011](#) WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Memorandum from Councilmember Padilla requesting an excused absence from the January 28, 2021 City Council, Planning Commission, Growth Management Oversight Commission Workshop.

Recommended Action: Council excuse the absence.

3. [20-0566](#) A. RESOLUTION NO. 2021-015 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AMENDING THE COMPENSATION SCHEDULE AND CLASSIFICATION PLAN TO REFLECT THE ADDITION AND DELETION OF VARIOUS POSITION TITLES AND AMENDING THE AUTHORIZED POSITION COUNT IN THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS WITH NO NET INCREASE IN AUTHORIZED STAFFING

B. RESOLUTION NO. 2021-016 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AMENDING THE COMPENSATION SCHEDULE TO REFLECT CHANGES IN COMPENSATION FOR THE FA DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND FA DIRECTOR OF SD LECC EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

C. RESOLUTION 2021-017 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA APPROVING THE REVISED FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 COMPENSATION SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 12, 2021, AS REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2, SECTION 570.5

Recommended Action: Council adopt the resolutions.

- 4. [20-0529](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2021-018 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY HOUSING AGENCY (“CALCHA”); SUPPORTING CALCHA’S ISSUANCE OF TAX-EXEMPT BONDS FOR THE PRODUCTION, PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF ESSENTIAL MIDDLE-INCOME RENTAL HOUSING; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE OPTION AGREEMENTS WITH CALCHA FOR ESSENTIAL MIDDLE-INCOME RENTAL HOUSING CREATED WITHIN CITY LIMITS

Recommended Action: Council adopt the resolution.

Item 5 was removed from the consent calendar.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

ACTION: A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McCann, seconded by Mayor Casillas Salas, to approve staff’s recommendations on the above Consent Calendar items, headings read, text waived. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Cardenas, Galvez, McCann, Padilla and Casillas Salas

No: 0

Abstain: 0

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

- 5. [20-0501](#) ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ESTABLISHING THE SPEED LIMITS AT THE FOLLOWING SEGMENTS: (1) BONITA GLEN DRIVE BETWEEN BONITA ROAD AND THE CHULA VISTA CITY LIMIT AT 25 MPH, (2) INCREASING EASTLAKE PARKWAY BETWEEN OLYMPIC PARKWAY AND HUNTE PARKWAY FROM 45 MPH TO 50 MPH, (3) INCREASING BIRCH ROAD BETWEEN LA MEDIA ROAD AND EASTLAKE PARKWAY FROM 45 MPH TO 50 MPH, (4) INCREASING PASEO DEL REY BETWEEN EAST H STREET AND EAST J STREET FROM 35 MPH TO 40 MPH; AND AMENDING SCHEDULE X OF THE REGISTER MAINTAINED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ENGINEER TO REFLECT THE ESTABLISHED SPEED LIMITS (FIRST READING)

Senior Civil Engineer Oberbauer responded to questions of the Council.

The following members of the public submitted comments in opposition to staff’s recommendation on the item:

-Matthew Lowery

- Terri Zielinski
- Randy Torres Van Vleck
- Ron Guitard
- Susie Murphy
- Diana Barrientos

At the request of Councilmembers Galvez and Padilla, there was consensus to continue the item and to bifurcate the action so that segments 1 through 3, as identified in the proposed resolution, were presented to Council together and segment 4 presented for separate action.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

6. [21-0012](#) PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED for February 2, 2021

Kathleen Lippitt submitted comments regarding youth mental health and commercial cannabis activity.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. [20-0559](#) CONSIDERATION OF ALLOCATING AVAILABLE FUNDING TO PREVENT, PREPARE, AND RESPOND TO THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19

RESOLUTION 2021-019 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA: (1) APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO REQUIRED PLANNING DOCUMENTS TO ALLOCATE AVAILABLE FUNDING FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT UNDER THE CARES ACT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT FUNDS TO PREVENT, PREPARE AND RESPOND TO THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19; (2) AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL HUD DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE GRANTS; AND (3) APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED)

Notice of the hearing was given in accordance with legal requirements, and the hearing was held on the date and no earlier than the time specified in the notice.

Mayor Casillas Salas opened the public hearing.

Deputy City Manager Broughton responded to questions of the Council.

At the conclusion of the public commenting period, Mayor Casillas Salas closed the public hearing.

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Padilla, seconded by Deputy Mayor McCann, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-019, heading read, text waived. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Cardenas, Galvez, McCann, Padilla and Casillas Salas

No: 0

Abstain: 0

ACTION ITEMS

- 8. [20-0546](#) CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF CHARTER SCHOOL REVENUE BONDS FINANCING AND/OR REFINANCING THE ACQUISITION IMPROVEMENT, RENOVATION, CONSTRUCTION, FURNISHING, AND EQUIPPING OF CERTAIN PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL FACILITIES

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-020 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA APPROVING THE ISSUANCE BY THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY OF ITS CHARTER SCHOOL REVENUE BONDS (THE LEARNING CHOICE ACADEMY) SERIES 2021 IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$12,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING AND/OR REFINANCING THE ACQUISITION, IMPROVEMENT, RENOVATION, CONSTRUCTION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF CERTAIN PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL FACILITIES AND CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO

ACTION: A motion was made by Mayor Casillas Salas, seconded by Deputy Mayor McCann, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-020, heading read, text waived. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Cardenas, Galvez, McCann, Padilla and Casillas Salas
No: 0
Abstain: 0

- 9. [20-0434](#) CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-021 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA APPROVING THE FORM AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS AND APPROVING ADDITIONAL ACTIONS RELATED THERETO

Finance Director Bilby gave a presentation on the item.

Council discussion ensued.

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Galvez, seconded by Deputy Mayor McCann, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-021, heading read, text waived. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Cardenas, Galvez, McCann, Padilla and Casillas Salas
No: 0
Abstain: 0

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

Economic Development Specialist Evans provided an update on the "We Built This" program, supporting Chula Vista small business owners.

Marketing and Communications Manager Steinberger gave a presentation on a City of Chula Vista-brand merchandise store.

City Manager Kachadoorian provided an update regarding public commenting methods for City virtual meetings.

MAYOR'S REPORTS

Mayor Casillas Salas provided information regarding COVID-19 vaccinations and the impact of the pandemic on the community and business owners.

10. [21-0573](#) RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT TO THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE:

- Michael Bruder, Board of Library Trustees
- Dustin Bruzee, Measure A Citizens' Oversight Committee (Police Officers Association Rep.)

ACTION: A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McCann, seconded by Councilmember Galvez, to ratify the above appointments. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Cardenas, Galvez, McCann, Padilla and Casillas Salas

No: 0

Abstain: 0

COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS

Councilmember Cardenas expressed her sympathy for the recently injured firefighters. She spoke regarding the issue of Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR), wished everyone a safe weekend, and provided information on COVID-19 vaccines.

At the request of Councilmember Cardenas, there was consensus of the Council to add an item to a future agenda to consider a cap on pre-order fees for third party delivery services.

Councilmember Galvez offered prayers for the recovery of recently injured firefighters and spoke about search efforts for missing Chula Vista resident, Maya Millette. She expressed appreciation for Mayor Casillas Salas's advocacy to make vaccines available for Police. She invited the public to participate in a discussion about Eucalyptus Park redesign options and the upcoming Envision Broadway business mixer.

Deputy Mayor McCann recognized vaccine workers, CV Rock Church delivery of electronics to schools and drive-through celebration for Meals-on-Wheels volunteers. He thanked Mayor Casillas Salas and Police Chief Kennedy for advocating for the Police to receive COVID-19 vaccines and offered prayers for recently injured firefighters.

Councilmember Padilla spoke regarding finding options for improving public input at City Council meetings.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Tyshar L. Turner, Assistant City Clerk

Kerry K. Bigelow, MMC, City Clerk