

City of Chula Vista

Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

5:00 PM

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

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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 of the City of Chula Vista was called to order at 5:03 p.m. in the Council Chambers, located in City Hall, 276 Fourth Avenue, Chula Vista, California.

ROLL CALL:

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

Also Present: Assistant 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 Galvez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

A. [20-0080](#) OATHS OF OFFICE

Youth Action Council:

- Arturo Osorio Jr.
- Meghan Palitz
- Milana Rodriguez
- Andrea Roji
- Rodrigo Tapia Guevara
- Hector Vidrio
- Alejandro Villalvazo
- Eliya Yoo

City Clerk Bigelow administered the oath of office to Commissioners Osorio, Palitz, Roji, Guevara, Vidrio, Villalvazo, and Yoo and Councilmembers presented them with certificates of appointment. Ms. Rodriguez was not present.

- B. [20-0091](#) PRESENTATION BY SAN DIEGO STRIKE FORCE VICE PRESIDENT OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND PLAYER ENGAGEMENT VIVI LIN, INTRODUCING THE ORGANIZATION AND ITS INVOLVEMENT IN THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA

Vivi Lin and San Diego Strike Force players Michael Carrillo and Melvin Owens gave a presentation on their involvement in the City.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 1 - 4)

1. [20-0098](#) APPROVAL OF MINUTES of September 10, 2019.

Recommended Action: Council approve the minutes.
2. [20-0084](#) DECLARATION OF VACANCY OF THE FOLLOWING SEAT, PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 602 AND MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 2.25.105:

- International Friendship Commission Member Venus Molina (At-Large Member Seat), Term Exp. 6/30/2022

Recommended Action: Council deem the seat vacant.
3. [19-0567](#) ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA INCREASING THE SPEED LIMITS AT THE FOLLOWING SEGMENTS: (1) EAST "H" STREET BETWEEN SOUTHWESTERN DRIVE AND OTAY LAKES ROAD FROM 35 MPH TO 45 MPH, (2) TELEGRAPH CANYON ROAD BETWEEN HALECREST DRIVE AND CREST DRIVE/OLEANDER AVENUE FROM 40 MPH TO 45 MPH, AND (3) TELEGRAPH CANYON ROAD BETWEEN PASEO DEL REY AND OLD TELEGRAPH CANYON ROAD FROM 45 MPH TO 50 MPH, AND AMENDING SCHEDULE X OF THE REGISTER MAINTAINED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ENGINEER TO REFLECT THE ESTABLISHED SPEED LIMITS (FIRST READING)

Recommended Action: Council place the ordinance on first reading.
4. [20-0063](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-049 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ADOPTING A CITY COUNCIL POLICY REGARDING ACCEPTING DONATIONS TO THE CITY

Recommended Action: Council adopt the resolution.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

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

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Brandon Claypool, Chula Vista resident, spoke regarding the need to revitalize the Chula Vista mall.

Zaneta Encarnacion, Chula Vista resident, spoke in support of the LGBTQ community and the Drag Queen Story Time Program.

Kay Bodge, representing Friends of Norman Park Senior Center, expressed concern regarding the Coronavirus and spoke in support of additional parking and a full-time supervisor for the Norman Park Senior Center.

Kathleen Lippitt, spoke in support of a flavor ban on electronic smoking devices.

David Myers, La Mesa resident, spoke in support of the Drag Queen Story Time Program.

The following individuals submitted written documentation in support of the Drag Queen Story Time Program and did not wish to speak:

- Dom Nguyen*
- Carol Kim*
- Tamika Cook, San Diego resident*

Shella Lujan, Chula Vista resident, submitted written documentation in opposition to the Drag Queen Story Time Program and did not wish to speak.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. [19-0335](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-050 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE TRANSNET LOCAL STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2018/19 THROUGH 2022/23

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.

Principal Civil Engineer Rivera spoke regarding the item.

Mayor Casillas Salas opened the public hearing. There being no members of the public who wished to speak, Mayor Casillas Salas closed the public hearing.

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember McCann, seconded by Deputy Mayor Galvez, to adopt Resolution No. 2020-050, heading read, text waived. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

ACTION ITEMS

6. [20-0038](#) ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AMENDING CHAPTER 15.26 OF THE CHULA VISTA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH MANDATORY ENERGY UPGRADE REQUIREMENTS FOR ADDITIONS AND REMODELS TO SINGLE FAMILY HOMES (FIRST READING)

Director of Economic Development Crockett and Conservation Specialist Downs gave a presentation on the item and answered questions of the Council.

Carolyn Scofield, Chula Vista resident, spoke in support of staff's recommendation.

Council discussion ensued regarding the cost of the new energy efficiency requirements for the existing portion of a dwelling.

ACTION: A motion was made by Mayor Casillas Salas, seconded by Councilmember McCann, to continue the item to allow staff to incorporate feedback from Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

Assistant City Manager Kachadoorian expressed gratitude to Conservation Specialist Downs for his work on the energy item. She stated steps were being taken to combat the Coronavirus and that contractors were cleaning public spaces.

7. [20-0093](#) CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL ENDORSEMENT OF THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE CHULA VISTA FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Geering presented plans for a year-long display of the Fire Department's history at the Civic Center Library Museum in celebration of the centennial anniversary of the department.

ACTION: A motion was made by Mayor Casillas Salas, seconded by Deputy Mayor Galvez, to endorse the centennial celebration of the Chula Vista Fire Department. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

MAYOR'S REPORTS

At the request of Mayor Casillas Salas, there was consensus of the Council to consider a pedestrian safety resolution at the next City Council meeting with an aspirational goal of zero pedestrian deaths within the City.

Mayor Casillas Salas stated she had attended the following recent events: Chula Vista Bayfront Facilities Financing meeting, Third Avenue Village Association annual meeting, Evening with Don Harrison at the Civic Center Library, who gave a history on the pioneers of Jewish families in San Diego county, and the City of Champions event.

COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS

Councilmember Padilla congratulated Mayor Casillas Salas on the City of Champion's event. He referenced election day and expressed gratitude for living in a country where the citizens could choose their leaders.

Deputy Mayor Galvez stated there were two new murals on the corner of Davidson and Broadway that were painted by High Tech High students and their teacher, Chelsea Smith. She extended well wishes to her two colleagues who were both candidates on the election ballot that evening.

Councilmember McCann expressed gratitude for the civil dialog amongst Councilmembers in discussing Item 6. He stated he had worked with Sweetwater Union High School District regarding making a safer drop-off zone at Eastlake High School. He attended the Chamber of Commerce dinner and congratulated the new president, Eric Johnson, and past president, Bill Hall. Councilmember McCann announced the upcoming opening of the dog park at Rohr Park.

Councilmember Diaz made reference to the upcoming groundbreaking for Fire Station 5 on Orange Avenue, and that an opening for Fire Station 9 on Moss & Naples was forthcoming.

At the request of Councilmember Diaz, there was consensus of the Council for staff to work with the school district on constructing a safer drop-off, similar to the one at Eastlake High School, for Harborside Elementary School.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

City Attorney Googins made reference to election night and encouraged everyone to vote.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Sheree Kansas, Deputy City Clerk

Kerry K. Bigelow, MMC, City Clerk