

City of Chula Vista

Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, January 14, 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 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

Mayor Casillas Salas left the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

Councilmember McCann led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

- A. [19-0576](#) PRESENTATION OF THE 2019 STARLIGHT PARADE AWARDS TO THE WINNING ENTRIES

Deputy Mayor Galvez and Councilmember Diaz gave a presentation and presented the awards.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 1 - 4)

Items 2 and 4 were removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of members of the public.

1. [20-0023](#) APPROVAL OF MINUTES of June 18 and July 9, 2019.

Recommended Action: Council approve the minutes.

Item 2 was removed from the Consent Calendar.

3. [19-0579](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-006 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA MODIFYING THE APPENDIX TO THE LOCAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE TO AMEND THE MANAGEMENT ANALYST POSITION TO INCLUDE ALL LEVELS, DELETE THE POSITION OF FINANCE AND PURCHASING MANAGER, AND ADD THE POSITIONS OF FINANCE MANAGER AND SMART TECHNOLOGY OFFICER TO THE LIST OF OFFICIALS WHO ARE REQUIRED TO FILE PERIODIC STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS

Recommended Action: Council adopt the resolution.

Item 4 was removed from the Consent Calendar.

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

2. [19-0513](#) A. RESOLUTION NO. 2020-004 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA DESIGNATING AND SETTING ASIDE CERTAIN CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY CURRENTLY KNOWN AS D STREET WEST OF WOODLAWN AVENUE FOR PARK AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES

B. RESOLUTION NO. 2020-005 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA APPROVING THE PARK MASTER PLAN FOR D STREET PARK LOCATED WITHIN A PORTION OF D STREET, WEST OF WOODLAWN AVENUE, AND THE NAME PATTY DAVIS PARK

The following members of the public spoke in support of naming the park "Patty Davis Park":

- Richard D'Ascoli, San Diego resident

- Bill Hall, Chula Vista resident

- Isabel Hall, Chula Vista resident

- Eric Johnson, representing the Chula Vista Chamber of Commerce

Council discussion ensued.

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Padilla, seconded by Councilmember Diaz, to adopt Resolution Nos. 2020-004 and 2020-005, as amended to name the park "Patty Davis Park," headings read, text waived. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

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4. [20-0004](#) ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AMENDING CHULA VISTA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 5.19.050.D TO ELIMINATE ONE-YEAR WAITING PERIOD APPLICABLE TO CERTAIN NEW CANNABIS BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICANTS (FIRST READING)

Laura Wilkinson spoke in support of staff's recommendation.

ACTION: A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Galvez, seconded by Mayor Casillas Salas, to place the ordinance on first reading, heading read, text waived. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Terri Ann Skelly spoke in support of a moratorium on flavored tobacco products and distributed written communications.

Michael Hefner, Chula Vista resident, suggested the City consider building a facility for the homeless.

Kay Bodge, representing Norman Park Senior Center, requested improvements to the center.

The following spoke in opposition to the Drag Queen Story Time program:

-John Moore, San Diego resident,

-Lorena Ambriz, and she spoke on behalf of Matt Hardy, San Diego resident, and Mary Mayer-Oakes

-Tony Villafranca, and he spoke on behalf of Lois Morera

-Lillie Hebert

-Andrew Wong, representing San Diego Mass Resistance

-Alexandra Motz

-Steve Motz

The following individuals submitted written documentation in opposition to the Drag Queen Story Time program, and did not wish to speak:

-Ruben Selano, Chula Vista resident

-Noelle Tuning

-Thomas Tuning

-Pastor Hodges, representing South Bay Pentecostal Church

-Anita Landingin

-Gerardo Landingin

-Amado Huizar, Chula Vista resident

-Trevor Averett

-Robin Thielsen, Chula Vista resident

-Shella Rubio, Chula Vista resident

-Rodney Buckham, San Diego resident

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

Councilmember Padilla addressed comments made under Public Comments.

ACTION ITEMS

- 5. [20-0009](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-007 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA APPROVING THE AMENDED MEASURE A PUBLIC SAFETY EXPENDITURE PLAN TO ADD THREE PEACE OFFICERS AND ONE POLICE AGENT, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 EXPENDITURE BUDGET FOR THE MEASURE A SALES TAX FUND TO FUND SUCH POSITIONS OUT OF MEASURE A AVAILABLE FUND BALANCE (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED)

Mayor Casillas Salas announced that only the funding of the police personnel would be considered at that time and that funding for the Neighborhood Protection Unit would be discussed at a later date.

Police Captain Collum gave a presentation on the item.

City Attorney Googins confirmed the official endorsement of the Measure A COC Subcommittee and stated there were six affirmative votes of the eleven seated members.

Fred Rowbotham, representing Chula Vista Police Officers Association spoke in opposition to the original resolution before the revisions.

Stephen Stenberg, Chula Vista resident, spoke in opposition to funding non-police and fire positions.

Darrell Roberts, representing Chula Vista International Association of Fire Fighters, spoke in support of additional peace officers.

David Stucky, Chula Vista resident, spoke in support of the revised resolution.

David Martinez, representing Chula Vista Police Officers Association, spoke in support of four additional police officer positions.

Council discussion ensued.

Anthony Campagna, representing the District Attorney's office, stated the DA's office would work with the City to address illegal cannabis operations.

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember McCann, seconded by Councilmember Padilla, to adopt Resolution No. 2020-007, as amended to remove reference to adding positions for the Neighborhood Protection Unit, heading read, text waived. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

There were none.

MAYOR'S REPORTS

6. [20-0019](#) RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE FOLLOWING:

- Joycelyn Persichilli, Commission on Aging
- Bernardo Andrade, International Friendship Commission

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember McCann, seconded by Councilmember Padilla, that the above appointments be ratified. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Mayor Casillas Salas congratulated Ann Moore on being selected Chair of the Port Commission. She spoke regarding the following events: 100th birthday celebration for a former Chula Vista Senior Volunteer Patrol officer, the Holocaust exhibit opening at the Civic Center Library, and the upcoming City of Champions event.

COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS

Mayor Casillas Salas left the dais at 7:26 p.m.

Councilmember McCann spoke regarding the following events: the Holocaust exhibit opening, Coffee with a Cop, the swearing in of Ann Moore as Chair of the Port Commission, and the Sharp Chula Vista Hospital ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Deputy Mayor Galvez spoke regarding the following events: the Holocaust exhibit opening, a tour of the Otay Mesa Detention Facility, and the ribbon-cutting ceremony at Sharp Chula Vista Hospital. She congratulated Ann Moore on her swearing in as Chair of the Port Commission.

Councilmember Padilla extended his congratulations to Ann Moore, and he spoke regarding the Sharp Hospital dedication and Holocaust exhibit.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

There were none.

CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Googins announced that the Council would convene in closed session to discuss the item listed below.

Deputy Mayor Galvez recessed the meeting at 7:35 p.m. The Council reconvened in Closed Session at 7:40 p.m., with all members present except Mayor Casillas Salas.

Pursuant to Resolution No. 13706 and Council Policy No. 346-03, Official Minutes and records of action taken during Closed Sessions are maintained by the City Attorney.

- 7. [20-0025](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(a)

Jesse Hernandez, et al. v. Jaime Moreno, City of Chula Vista, et al.
Case No. 37-2018-00055704

ACTION: No reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Sheree Kansas, Deputy City Clerk

Kerry K. Bigelow, MMC, City Clerk