

City of Chula Vista

Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

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 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 5:00 p.m. via teleconference and in the Council Chambers, located in City Hall, 276 Fourth Avenue, Chula Vista, CA.

ROLL CALL:

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

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 Galvez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Casillas Salas called for a moment of silence in honor of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. She and Deputy Mayor Galvez paid tribute to Justice Ginsburg.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

- A. [20-0377](#) UPDATE ON COMMUNICATIONS ACTIVITIES IMPLEMENTED DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC FROM MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER ANNE STEINBERGER

Marketing and Communications Manager Steinberger gave a presentation on the item.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 1 - 3)

Item 3 was removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of Councilmember Diaz.

1. [20-0399](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-216 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING EMERGENCY ORDER 002-2020 (AMENDED SEPTEMBER 15, 2020) OF THE CHULA VISTA DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AFFIRMING AND ADOPTING COUNTY HEALTH ORDERS AS A CITY ORDER

Recommended Action: Council adopt the resolution.

2. [20-0372](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-217 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA MODIFYING THE APPENDIX TO THE LOCAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE TO AMEND THE LIST OF OFFICIALS, CANDIDATES AND DESIGNATED EMPLOYEES WHO ARE REQUIRED TO FILE PERIODIC STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS AND THE DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES FOR SAID FILERS

Recommended Action: Council adopt the resolution.

Item 3 was removed from the Consent Calendar.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember McCann, seconded by Councilmember Padilla, 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 - Diaz, Galvez, McCann, Padilla and Casillas Salas

No: 0

Abstain: 0

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

3. [20-0371](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-218 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ACCEPTING BIDS AND AWARDING AN AGREEMENT WITH URBAN CORPS OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FIRST FLOOR RENOVATION PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT OF \$135,737.95

Finance Director Bilby responded to questions of the Council.

At the request of Councilmember Diaz, there was consensus of the Council to make a referral to staff to track and recruit more minority- and veteran-owned businesses for City bids.

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Diaz, seconded by Deputy Mayor Galvez, to adopt Resolution No. 2020-218, heading read, text waived. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

PUBLIC COMMENTS**4. [20-0389](#) PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED for September 22, 2020**

Grace Sardina submitted comments in opposition to removing the Christopher Columbus statue and requested an item regarding the status of the statue be added to a Council agenda.

Christopher Ramirez, Chula Vista resident, submitted comments encouraging the City to fly the POW/MIA flag at City Hall and adding veteran resource information to City websites.

ACTION ITEMS**5. [20-0330](#) CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING AN ANNEXATION MAP SHOWING TERRITORY PROPOSED TO BE ANNEXED TO IMPROVEMENT AREA C OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 97-2 AND DECLARING INTENTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ANNEXATION**

A. RESOLUTION NO. 2020-219 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ADOPTING AN ANNEXATION MAP SHOWING TERRITORY PROPOSED TO BE ANNEXED TO IMPROVEMENT AREA "C" OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 97-2 (PRESERVE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT)

B. RESOLUTION NO. 2020-220 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY TO COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 97-2 (PRESERVE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT) AND IMPROVEMENT AREA "C" THERETO

City Attorney Glen Googins announced that Item 5 was inadvertently listed as a public hearing on the agenda, but should have been an action item.

David Butler, Chula Vista resident, submitted comments in support of staff's recommendation and expressed concern regarding potential traffic and parking safety issues.

ACTION: A motion was made by Mayor Casillas Salas, seconded by Councilmember McCann, to adopt Resolution Nos. 2020-219 and 2020-220, headings read, text waived. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

6. [20-0390](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-221 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA MAKING VARIOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 BUDGET TO ADJUST FOR VARIANCES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED)

Budget and Analysis Manager Prendell gave a presentation on the item and responded to questions of the Council.

ACTION: A motion was made by Mayor Casillas Salas, seconded by Deputy Mayor Galvez, to adopt Resolution No. 2020-221, heading read, text waived. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

7. [20-0401](#) PRESENTATION FROM STAFF REGARDING RECENT FEDERAL AND STATE COVID-19 EVICTION PROTECTION LAWS AND REGULATIONS, CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF ITS REMAINING OPTIONS TO EXTEND OR MODIFY CITY'S OWN COVID-19 EVICTION PROTECTIONS, AND POSSIBLE CITY COUNCIL DIRECTION TO STAFF TO BRING BACK FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION ONE OR MORE SPECIFIC ACTIONS TO FURTHER PROTECT CITY RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL OWNERS AND/OR TENANTS FROM COVID-19 RELATED DISPLACEMENT OR HARDSHIP

Councilmember McCann stated he would abstain from voting on Item 7 due to a potential property-related conflict of interest. He was not present during discussion and voting on the item.

Housing Manager Hines gave a presentation on the item and was available for questions along with City Attorney Googins and Deputy City Manager Crockett.

The ad-hoc subcommittee, consisting of Deputy Mayor Galvez and Councilmember Padilla, established to advise the Council on the COVID-19 Eviction Protection laws and regulations, reviewed AB 3088 and the new state laws with City Attorney Googins. The subcommittee determined that the federal and state laws and regulations were consistent with the City's protections. It recommended the City allow protections to expire and continue to monitor federal and state laws and regulations to determine if additional action was warranted.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

City Manager Kachadoorian announced that the City's COVID case rate has decreased and the area would refrain from moving to the purple tier.

Emergency Services Coordinator King gave a COVID-19 update.

MAYOR'S REPORTS

Mayor Casillas Salas spoke regarding the following: continuing to wear masks and social distance, the importance of completing the US Census, supporting small businesses through networks such as Alignable, and National Voter Registration Day.

COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS

Councilmembers Padilla and McCann paid tribute to Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and her life accomplishments.

Deputy Mayor Galvez acknowledged City staff for their continued great work throughout the pandemic and spoke regarding the upcoming annual I Love A Clean San Diego Coastal Cleanup virtual event.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

8. [20-0388](#) ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING TRAINING ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2020, AT 5:00 P.M. ON THE TOPIC OF CALIFORNIA'S OPEN MEETING LAWS AND ETHICS REQUIREMENTS (AB1234): TRAINING AND DISCUSSIONS ON TRANSPARENCY AND GOOD CONDUCT FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS

City Attorney Googins spoke regarding the upcoming training.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Leah Larrarte, Deputy City Clerk

Kerry K. Bigelow, MMC, City Clerk