

City of Chula Vista

Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, October 22, 2019

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.

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Chula Vista was called to order at 5:04 p.m. in the Council Chambers, located in City Hall, 276 Fourth Avenue, Chula Vista, California.

ROLL CALL:

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

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 Galvez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

- A. [19-0485](#) PRESENTATION OF QUARTERLY EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION RECIPIENTS

Human Resources Director Chase gave a presentation on the item.

- B. [19-0488](#) SPECIAL RECOGNITION BY SENATOR BEN HUESO OF THE CITY'S HOMELESS OUTREACH TEAM

Jessica Hayes, representing Senator Ben Hueso, gave a presentation on the item.

- C. [19-0486](#) PRESENTATION AND UPDATE ON THE AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT PLAN BY SAN DIEGO COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBER MARK WEST, AND BRENDAN REED, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

Item C was continued to a future meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 1 - 5)

Item 2 was removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of a member of the public.

- 1. [19-0491](#) APPROVAL OF MINUTES of May 21, 2019.
Recommended Action: Council approve the minutes.

Item 2 was removed from the Consent Calendar.

- 3. [19-0467](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2019-200 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE CALRECYCLE RUBBERIZED PAVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM AND RELATED AUTHORIZATIONS FOR THREE YEARS
Recommended Action: Council adopt the resolution.

- 4. [19-0483](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2019-201 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESPONSE TEAM PROGRAM TO THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (CAL OES), AND AGREEING TO CAL OES RULES AND REGULATIONS, INCLUDING PROVISIONS FOR MATCHING FUNDS AND SUPPLANTING OF FUNDS
Recommended Action: Council adopt the resolution.

- 5. [19-0484](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2019-202 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY FOR THE SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED)
Recommended Action: Council adopt the resolution.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember McCann, seconded by Councilmember 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. [19-0437](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2019-199 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF TWO GRANTS FROM THE SAN DIEGO ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF A CENSUS 2020 OUTREACH PROGRAM; ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT/CHULA VISTA COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE FOR CONSULTING SERVICES; AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED)

JoAnne Fields, representing the Asian Pacific Islander Initiative, spoke in support of staff's recommendation.

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember McCann, seconded by Deputy Mayor Padilla, to adopt Resolution No. 2019-199, 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

The following members of the public spoke in support of the Drag Queen Story Time program and the LGBTQ community:

- Kathy Mayer, Chula Vista resident, who also spoke on behalf of Mandy Senehen
- Patti Boman, Bonita resident
- Sister Ida
- Diana McGawley, Chula Vista resident
- Lynn DeHahn, Chula Vista resident
- Mishelle Banaga, Chula Vista resident
- Jae Red Rose, Chula Vista resident
- Angela Peterson
- Elizabeth Senehen, who also spoke on behalf of Mary Fisher

The following members of the public submitted written documentation in support of the Drag Queen Story Time program but declined or were not present to speak:

- Dennis Nicely, San Diego resident
- Nadia Kean Ayub, Chula Vista resident
- Stephanie York, representing TransFamily Support Services

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

- Tony Mendiola, San Diego resident
- Lorena Ambriz, Chula Vista resident
- Tony Villafranca, representing San Diego Mass Resistance, who also spoke on behalf of Lily Hebert, Mary Oakes, Eli Komai, and Mike McCabe
- Matthew Hardy, San Diego resident

Pastor Art Hodges, representing Interfaith Leaders, spoke regarding the Step Up to Pray Program and spoke in support of the Council adopting a policy regarding certain City programs.

The following members of the public submitted written documentation in opposition to the Drag Queen Story Time program, but declined or were not present to speak:

- Blanca Second, Chula Vista resident
- Noel Tuning
- Robin Thielsen, Chula Vista resident
- Gerardo Landingin, San Diego resident
- Tommy Zuniga, Chula Vista resident

Randy Epstein, Chula Vista resident, submitted written documentation and spoke regarding 5G and small cells.

JoAnne Fields, representing the Asian Pacific Islander Initiative, submitted written documentation and spoke regarding the Chula Fest event.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. [19-0473](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2019-203 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ACCEPTING A 2019 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT FROM THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

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.

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 Padilla, to adopt Resolution No. 2019-203, heading read, text waived. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

7. [19-0487](#) RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA TO ACQUIRE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY OR INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY BY EMINENT DOMAIN FOR THE E STREET EXTENSION AND THE BIKE/PEDESTRIAN TRAIL, FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE CHULA VISTA BAYFRONT PROJECT (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.

City Attorney Googins announced Item 7 would be continued to a future meeting.

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8. [19-0370](#) ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AMENDING CHAPTER 3.50 OF THE CHULA VISTA MUNICIPAL CODE (DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES TO PAY FOR VARIOUS PUBLIC FACILITIES) (FIRST READING)

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.

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

ACTION: A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Padilla, seconded by Councilmember McCann, 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

ACTION ITEMS

9. [19-0498](#) PRESENTATION OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA PUBLIC SAFETY STAFFING REPORT

Items 9 and 10 were presented together.

Assistant City Manager Kachadoorian introduced the items.

Police and Fire staff gave a presentation on the Public Safety Staffing Report and responded to questions of the Council.

Deputy Mayor Padilla spoke in support of staff identifying potential funding sources as part of the long range public safety staffing analysis.

Councilmember Diaz spoke in support of staffing in the Neighborhood Protection Unit.

Mayor Casillas Salas requested more information regarding how civilian staff was being deployed strategically.

Finance Director Bilby gave a presentation on the Balanced Budget Plan for Fiscal Years 2021-2023. He and City Manager Halbert responded to questions from the Council.

Mayor Casillas Salas requested an update from staff on the progress of the Measure P infrastructure projects that were identified for repair.

Deputy Mayor Padilla requested a budget baseline scenario that included additional average personnel costs and specificity regarding how the City could balance the budget based on those scenarios with as little reliance on general fund reserve revenue. He also requested the City Manager and City Attorney to return to Council with a solution on how the City would bill against potential Measure Q revenues. Deputy Mayor Padilla stated that achieving both the secondary squad and 4-0 staffing objectives were very important priorities to him.

Mayor Casillas Salas stated squads should be prioritized and she requested additional analysis regarding the cost, benefit, and efficiency of operations of implementing 4-0 staffing before squads.

Councilmember McCann spoke in support of the second squad and to keep on track for the 4-0 staffing. He also stated his support for the Neighborhood Protection Unit.

Councilmember Diaz spoke in support of the implementation of a second squad to reduce response times and recommended prioritizing 4-0 staffing.

David Oyos, representing the Chula Vista Police Officers Association, spoke in support of the staffing plan presented by Police personnel and provided information regarding Police operations.

10. [19-0465](#) FISCAL YEARS 2021 - 2023 BALANCED BUDGET PLAN PRESENTATION

Item 10 was presented and discussed concurrently with Item 9, above.

11. [19-0468](#) RESOLUTION NO. 2019-204 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA APPROVING THE WELCOMING CITY IMPLEMENTATION PLAN THAT SUPPORTS THE CITY'S APPLICATION FOR WELCOMING CITY CERTIFICATION FROM WELCOMING AMERICA

Marketing and Communications Manager Steinberger gave a presentation and responded to questions from the Council.

ACTION: A motion was made by Mayor Casillas Salas, seconded by Deputy Mayor Padilla, to adopt Resolution No. 2019-204, heading read, text waived. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Galvez, McCann, Padilla and Casillas Salas

No: 1 - Diaz

Abstain: 0

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

City Manager Halbert gave a brief overview of the addition of Sesame Place at Aquatica.

MAYOR'S REPORTS

12. [19-0478](#) CONSIDERATION OF CITY ENDORSEMENT OF THE EXHIBIT, PROJECT RUTH: REMEMBER US THE HOLOCAUST, AND FUNDRAISING EVENT ON JANUARY 12, 2020 AT THE CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY

Sandy Scheller, Chula Vista resident, spoke in favor of the item.

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember McCann, seconded by Deputy Mayor Padilla, to endorse the Project Ruth: Remember Us The Holocaust Exhibit, and fundraising event. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Mayor Casillas Salas reported on the following events: the Chula Vista Police Department drone press release, the Chula Vista Bayfront Facilities Financing Authority meeting, the 25th Annual Senior Volunteer Patrol dinner, the Beautify Chula Vista event, the Hawking Steam Academy tour, the grand opening of the 911 Communication Center, and a tour of the Police Department Headquarters, and the First Friday Breakfast.

COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS

Councilmember McCann spoke on the following events: the 25th Annual Senior Volunteer Patrol dinner, Beautify Chula Vista, the 911 Communication Center grand opening, and the opening of Hawking School.

At the request of Councilmember McCann, there was a consensus of the Council to direct staff to research options regarding vaping advertisement toward children.

Deputy Mayor Padilla spoke regarding the Coastal Commission Meeting at City Hall and extended gratitude to Chula Vista Police Officers Xavier Castro and Sergio Martinez.

Councilmember Diaz spoke regarding his visit to the Donovan Correctional Facility and serving ministry to the inmates. He stated he looked forward to visiting the new 911 Communication Center.

Councilmember Galvez spoke regarding the following events: visit to the El Primero Hotel, the deployment of scooters in the City, the 25th Annual Senior Volunteer Patrol dinner, Beautify Chula Vista, and the opening of SeaWorld Sesame Place. She spoke in support of staff monitoring accidents and issues related to scooters licensed in Chula Vista.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

City Attorney Googins expressed appreciation for the Council's support for the Neighborhood Protection Unit. He reported on the following events: the League of Cities Conference, Project Ruth and his recent visit to the Anne Frank House, and the opening of Sesame Place at Aquatica.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Leah Larrarte, Deputy City Clerk

Kerry K. Bigelow, MMC, City Clerk