



# CITY OF NEWARK CITY COUNCIL

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## Minutes

Thursday, April 25, 2024  
7:00 P.M.

### A. ROLL CALL

Mayor Hannon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Vice Mayor Freitas, Council Members Collazo, and Jorgens were present. Council Member Bucci was noted absent.

### B. PRESENTATIONS

#### 1. Proclaiming Water Safety Month

Mayor Hannon presented the proclamation to Kevin DeFranco, Recreation and Community Services Supervisor I.

#### 2. Proclaiming May as Building Safety Month

Mayor Hannon presented the proclamation to Building Division employees: Ken Wood, Building Inspector II, Bryan Cabeceira, Building Inspector I, Lisa Mendes, Permit Technician, Melanie Cabeceira, Administrative Support Specialist II, and Matthew Amaral, Office Assistant.

### C. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one requested to speak.

**D. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Council Member Jorgens moved, Council Member Collazo seconded, to approve Consent Calendar items D.1 to D.5, that the resolutions be numbered consecutively, and that reading of the titles suffice for adoption. The motion passed, 4 AYES, 1 ABSENT.

1. Approval of Audited Demands
2. Approval of April 11, 2024, minutes
3. Adopt a resolution initiating the 2024 Weed Abatement Program and setting May 23, 2024, for a public hearing  
Resolution No. 11632
4. Approval of the plans and specifications, adopt a resolution accepting the bid, and award of contract for the total bid to EyeP Solutions Inc. for Security Cameras and Building Access Management and amending the 2022-2024 Biennial Budget and Capital Improvement Plan  
Resolution No. 11633  
Contract No. 24034
5. Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Master Services Agreement with RingCentral, Inc. for a hosted telephone system  
Resolution No. 11634  
Contract No. 24035

**E. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**F. OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Presentation of the Technology Master Plan

Chief Information Officer/Information Systems Director Miranda introduced Tom Jakobsen, ClientFirst Technology Consulting who gave the presentation. The purpose of the Technology Master Plan is to identify technology priorities, budget estimates and timelines over multiple years. Presentation on file with

City Clerk.

No one from the public requested to speak.

Mayor Hannon requested that the Capital Improvement Plan include the Technology Master Plan priorities and that it be reviewed to measure the work of the Plan.

Informational only, no action requested.

2. Receive a presentation of the draft Broadband Master Plan and Smart City Report and provide feedback

Chief Information Officer/Information Systems Director Miranda introduced Jeff Lewis and Bill Pugh, Government Technology Group who gave the presentation. The purpose of the Broadband Master Plan is to provide inclusivity, reliability, reasonable cost, and infrastructure for community-wide broadband. Presentation on file with City Clerk.

Mr. Lewis recommended a staff broadband advisory group, creation of policies and clear workflows, create a technology enterprise fund, create a public private partnership for the last mile, incrementally build broadband infrastructure, and support digital inclusion.

Bill Pugh reviewed the Connected Communities concept and benefits.

No one from the public requested to speak.

Mayor Hannon suggested that when the Utility Users Tax sunsets, the City may want to consider a technology fee to help with underserved areas of the City improve broadband access.

Informational only, no action requested.

3. Adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of the State of California grants for the Old Town PDA Road Diet and Complete Street Improvement Project in the amount of \$1,000,000 and for the Newark Resource Center Improvement Project in the amount of \$1,000,000 and amend the 2022-2024 Biennial Budget

and Capital Improvement Plan

City Manager Benoun stated that item F.3 will be rescheduled for the next City Council meeting. There would not be a quorum to discuss with Council Member Bucci's absence and the need for Vice Mayor Freitas and Council Member Collazo to recuse.

**G. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS**

Council Member Jorgens thanked City staff for hosting the City School Liaison Committee meeting.

Council Member Collazo stated to shop Newark and to Shop Old Town on Saturday during the 2024 State of the City Address and Old Town Streetscape Exhibition.

Mayor Hannon thanked staff and businesses for their efforts for the 2024 State of the City Address and Old Town Streetscape Exhibition. He stated that the City needed more events like this.

**H. CITY MANAGER UPDATES**

City Manager Benoun announced that the 2024 State of the City Address and Old Town Streetscape Exhibition would be held on Saturday.

**I. CLOSED SESSION**

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Hannon adjourned the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Sheila Harrington  
City Clerk