



CITY OF NEWARK CITY COUNCIL

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City Administration Building
7:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers

Minutes

Thursday, February 11, 2016

A. ROLL CALL

Mayor Nagy called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. Present were Council Members Hannon, Collazo, Bucci, and Vice Mayor Freitas.

B. MINUTES

B.1 Approval of Minutes of the special and regular City Council meetings of Thursday, January 28, 2016.

Moved by Council Member Collazo, seconded by Council Member Bucci to approve the minutes of the special and regular City Council meetings. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

C. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

C.1 Proclaiming February Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month.

Mayor Nagy presented the proclamation to Yasi Safinya-Davies, Psy.D. - Executive Director of Safe Alternatives to Violent Environments (SAVE).

D. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

D.1 Planning Commission referral of a minor conditional use permit, to establish a large family day care home at 36632 Port Anchorwood Place.

City Manager Becker stated that Sonia Landa submitted an application for a minor conditional use permit to establish a large family day care home (a facility for up to 14 children) at 36632 Port Anchorwood Place.

The Zoning Administrator approved the application and the Planning Commission did not review this "review optional" item.

The City Council concurred with the decision of the Zoning Administrator.

D.2 Planning Commission referral of a minor conditional use permit, to establish a large family day care home at 36353 Shorehaven Place.

City Manager Becker stated that Stacy Kelly has submitted an application for a minor conditional use permit to establish a large family day care home (a facility for up to 14 children) at 36353 Shorehaven Place.

The Zoning Administrator approved the application and the Planning Commission did not review this “review optional” item.

The City Council concurred with the decision of the Zoning Administrator.

D.3 Planning Commission referral of a minor conditional use permit, to establish a large family day care home at 36475 Christine Street.

City Manager Becker stated that Alicia Reed submitted an application for a minor conditional use permit to establish a large family day care home (a facility for up to 14 children) at 36475 Christine Street.

The Zoning Administrator approved the application and the Planning Commission did not review this “review optional” item.

The City Council concurred with the decision of the Zoning Administrator.

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

F. CITY MANAGER REPORTS

Council Member Bucci moved, Council Member Collazo seconded, to approve Consent Calendar Items F.1 through F.3, that the resolutions be numbered consecutively, and that reading of the titles suffice for adoption of the resolutions. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

CONSENT

**F.1 Approval of the allocation of anticipated Community Development Block Grant jurisdiction improvement project funds for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.
MOTION APPROVED**

F.2 Approval to reclassify the Information Systems Manager position to Senior Information Systems Manager by amending the Employee

Classification Plan, the Compensation and Benefit Plan for City Officials and the Management, Supervisory, and Professional Employee Group and the 2014-2016 Biennial Budget to add the position and funding for the position of Senior Information Systems Manager and to delete the position and funding of Information Systems Manager.

RESOLUTION NO. 10456-10458

F.3 Amendment of the 2014-2016 Biennial Budget and Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for General Revisions.

RESOLUTION NO. 10459

NONCONSENT

F.4 Authorization for the Mayor to sign a Contractual Services Agreement with RRM Design Group, to complete a Zoning Ordinance update and amending the 2014-2016 Biennial Budget.

RESOLUTION NO. 10460

CONTRACT NO. 16007

Assistant City Manager Grindall proposed a comprehensive “overhaul” of the Zoning Ordinance which would result in a more effective document. The existing Zoning Ordinance was adopted in 1965 and has been amended numerous times over the years. It has not received a comprehensive review since the original adoption.

Assistant City Manager Grindall recommended the RRM Design Group for a not-to-exceed cost of \$197,560. He expected the project to take 8 months to complete.

Council Member Hannon requested that outside codes referenced in the new Zoning Ordinance be incorporated, avoid ambiguity in the wording and use tables where appropriate.

Mayor Nagy requested that businesses be notified in addition to property owners of any changes that might impact them.

Council Member Hannon moved, Vice Mayor Freitas seconded to by resolution, authorize the Mayor to sign a Contractual Services Agreement with RRM Design Group to complete a Zoning Ordinance Update and amending the 2014-2016 Biennial Budget. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

F.5 Status Report on emergency expenditure for replacement of heater for Lazy River at Silliman Activity and Family Aquatic Center.

City Manager Becker stated that the heater has been ordered from the manufacturer, Lochinvar, and the vendor (Knorr Systems) estimates the installation to occur the week of February 15, 2016.

G. CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

H. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

I. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS

There were no City Council comments.

J. CITY COUNCIL ACTING AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

K. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Angela Akridge Newark Parks Foundation, stated that a skate park and a dog park will provide complete parks that meet the needs of a variety of groups and ages. She stated that some residents travel to other cities to use their recreational amenities.

Mayor Nagy stated that the City Council discussed a Parks Master Plan at the previous study session and that funding that will grow in the next two years with new development.

Carol Graham stated that she has used the dog parks in Alameda and Fremont because her condominium does not have space for her dogs to run. She noted that one third of all households own a dog. She suggested placing a skate and dog park at the Silliman Center.

Beju Siman stated that his son loves to skateboard.. They would like a skate park in Newark. He previously lived in Manhattan and the skate park there served as a way to connect with others.

Wendy Koshnevus stated that she cannot let her dog roam their condominium complex and there is nowhere in Newark for her dog to run free. . A Newark dog park would be a way for people to meet their neighbors and a way for their dogs to get exercise.

Theresa and her son Milo stated that teenagers need a place to gather. She added that there is a safety concern with skating on the street.

Aisha Weber with her son Robert stated that skating helps her son. He does not play video games inside; he goes out with his friends. Robert stated that skateboarding is the best thing he has ever done.

Nick stated that teenagers need a park for their needs. It also gives young people, not interested in sports, a location to build relationships and community.

Ken Herman stated that he would like the Parks Master Plan to also consider bicyclists. The streets are not safe for bicyclists. He thought they would only need to move dirt around and that volunteers could help.

Tony Panatel stated that he had a skate shop in Fremont for 7 years and helped with the design of the Fremont skate park. He thought the area near the fire station and the Silliman Center would be the ideal location.

Young woman stated that she would love a dog park in Newark. Dogs are emotional caretakers of citizens. Dog parks provide a sense of community. It is easier to strike up a conversation at a dog park than a coffee shop.

Eric Royce stated that he liked the idea of a skate and dog park in Newark. Some skatepark venues can be used as competition events.

Fred Arredondo shared his thoughts on the civic center project and provided a handout on High Performance (Green) Commercial Buildings. He stated that deferred maintenance was not a reason to replace a building and that the City Council should take an arm length perspective when speaking to the consultants.

Jordan Richter stated that he runs skateboarding camps in the City of Fremont and other cities. The camps are mostly full and they bring kids of all different backgrounds together. They have fun and develop camaraderie.

Mayor Nagy thanked the speakers and stated the Park Master Plan was a good start.

Council Member Bucci encouraged the speakers to participate in the Park Master Plan process.

In response to an audience member, Council Member Hannon stated that the City could start a Facebook page for the Park Master Plan.

L. APPROPRIATIONS

Approval of Audited Demands for the City Council meeting of February 11, 2016. MOTION APPROVED

City Clerk Harrington read the Register of Audited Demands: Check numbers 106839 to 106937.