

# CITY OF NEWARK CITY COUNCIL

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### **Minutes**

Thursday, January 14, 2021 7:00 P.M.

## A. ROLL CALL

Mayor Nagy called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Present were Council Members Hannon, Collazo, Freitas (7:07 p.m.), and Bucci.

### **B. PRESENTATIONS**

### C. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one requested to speak.

### D. CONSENT CALENDAR

City Manager Benoun requested the removal of items D.4 and D.5 to answer questions from Council Member Hannon.

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

- **D.1** Approval of Audited Demands
- D.2 Approval of December 10, 2020 Minutes
- D.3 Acceptance of work with G. Bortolotto & Company, Inc. for the 2018 Asphalt Concrete Street Overlay Program, Project 1179. RESOLUTION NO. 11160

### **NONCONSENT**

D.4 Approval of plans and specifications, acceptance of bid and award of contract to Saviano Company, Inc. for Birch Grove Park Tennis Court Resurfacing, Project 1198. MOTION APPROVED, RESOLUTION NO. 11161, CONTRACT NO. 21001

In response to Council Member Hannon's question, City Manager Benoun stated that staff anticipated this project would begin in April.

No one requested to speak.

Moved by Council Member Hannon, seconded by Council Member Freitas to, by motion, approve the plans and specifications and by resolution, accept the bid, and award the contract for the Total Bid to Saviano Company, Inc. for Birch Grove Park Tennis Court Resurfacing, Project 1198. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

# D.5 Authorizing Grant Applications for the State of California Proposition 68 Per Capita Grant Program. RESOLUTION NO. 11162

In response to Council Member Hannon's question, City Manager Benoun stated that the grant funds could be used towards the approved Capital Improvement Plan Projects for Lakeshore Park Landscape Restoration and Citywide Park Signage, Phase 1. The grant funding could also be used for Citywide Parks Master Plan projects that did not have funding identified.

Moved by Council Member Hannon, seconded by Council Member Collazo to, by resolution, authorize grant applications for the State of California Proposition 68 Per Capita Grant Program. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

### **E. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### F. OTHER BUSINESS

# F.1 Biotechnology Industry Overview and Economic Development Update.

Economic Development Manager Stedler provided a presentation (on file with City Clerk) on the Biotechnology Industry and provided an Economic Development update. Guest speakers for the presentation included:

David Chang, President and CEO, M.D., PhD., Allogene Therapeutics

Alison Moore, Chief Technology Officer, Allogene Therapeutics Ben Beneski, Executive Director and Plant Manager, Allogene Therapeutics Claes Gustafsson, PhD., Chief Commercial Officer & Co-Founder, ATUM Oren Beske, PhD., Amalgamator of Business and Biology, ATUM Gregory Theyel, PhD., Biomedical Manufacturing Network Michael Cohen, Spectrum Small Business Services

No one from the public requested to speak.

This item was informational only.

### G. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS

Vice Mayor Bucci stated that he was happy to resume City Council meetings after the holidays. He told everyone to stay safe.

Council Member Collazo wished everyone a Happy New Year. She stated that her daughter-in-law's grandfather passed away and extended her condolences to the Nunes and Gomes families. She encouraged the public to check the city website for recreation activities and COVID testing information. She requested that candidates pick up their election signs that are still posted. Shop Newark.

Vice Mayor Bucci stated that sometimes volunteers place signs and the candidate is unaware where the sign was posted.

Council Member Hannon shared how the City of San Jose handles election signs. He wished everyone a Happy New Year and extended his condolences to the Nunes and Gomes families.

# **H. CLOSED SESSION**

#### I. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Nagy adjourned the meeting at 9:43 pm

SHEILA HARRINGTON City Clerk