

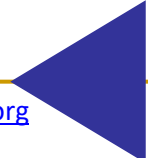


# CITY OF NEWARK

## CITY COUNCIL

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Minutes  
March 11, 2021

### A. ROLL CALL

Mayor Nagy called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. Present were Council Members Hannon, Collazo, and Freitas. Vice Mayor Bucci was noted absent.

### B. PRESENTATIONS

#### 1. Introduction of employees

Mayor Nagy introduced Police Officers Brian Karrick, Andrew Garcia, and Sandra Soto.

#### 2. Presentation on East Bay Community Energy (EBCE)

EBCE Public Engagement Manager Alex DiGiorgio gave a presentation (on file with City Clerk). He stated that EBCE is a power supplier committed to providing cleaner, greener electricity at lower rates. EBCE provides the electricity source, PG&E still provides gas, maintenance, and billing. He stated that four notices will be sent out providing options to opt out of EBCE for electricity or opt up to cleaner energy options. No action results in automatic enrollment.

### C. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public requested to speak.

### D. CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Collazo moved, Council Member Hannon seconded, to approve Consent Calendar Items D.1 through D.3 that the resolutions and ordinances be numbered consecutively, and that reading of the titles suffice for adoption of the resolutions and ordinances. The motion passed, 4 AYES, 1 ABSENT.

#### 1. Approval of Audited Demands

2. Approval of February 25, 2021, special and regular meeting minutes
3. Community Development Advisory Committee recommendation for the allocation of Community Development Block Grant Jurisdiction Improvement funds for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 - Motion Approved

## **E. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

## **F. OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Presentation by Police Chief Gina Anderson on crime statistics in the City of Newark

Police Chief Anderson presented the 2020 Annual Crime Report (on file with City Clerk). She reviewed crime statistics, department personnel and services, regional partnerships, and community engagement efforts.

## **G. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS**

Mayor Nagy stated he and his wife Connie were celebrating their 58<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary today. The City Council members congratulated Mayor Nagy and his wife.

Mayor Nagy stated that he attended Jean Ficklin's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday and thanked Public Works Director Fajeau for directing traffic at the event. He stated that city staff moved into the new city hall. Police staff will move into their building in two weeks and then the library staff when that building is ready. There will be a ceremony for the civic center in the future.

Council Member Hannon commended City staff on the seamless design, build, and move into the civic center. He visited the NewBark Dog Park and commended staff for the design. He wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

Council Member Collazo wished Jean Ficklin a happy birthday. She stated that she received the second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine and felt hopeful for the future. Shop Newark.

Council Member Freitas thanked City Manager Benoun for the tour of the civic center and commended City staff for their efforts in constructing the new civic center.

## **H. CLOSED SESSION**

1. Closed session for conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to California Government

Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representatives: City Manager Benoun and Assistant City Manager Hovorka, Employee Groups: the Newark Police Association; the Newark Police Management Association; the Newark Association of Miscellaneous Employees; City Officials and the Management, Supervisory, and Professional Employee Group; and the Confidential Employee Group

At 8:33 p.m. the City Council recessed to a closed session.

At 8:35 p.m. the City Council convened in closed session.

At 9:20 p.m. the City Council reconvened in open session with all Council Members present.

## **I. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Nagy adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Sheila Harrington  
City Clerk