



CITY OF NEWARK CITY COUNCIL

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Minutes

Thursday, April 22, 2021

7:00 P.M.

A. ROLL CALL

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

B. PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclaiming April as Fair Housing Month

Mayor Nagy presented the proclamation to Barbara Clemons of the Bay East Association of REALTORS.

2. Proclaiming April 22, 2021, as Arbor Day

Mayor Nagy presented the proclamation to Assistant Maintenance Superintendent Hornbeck.

3. Proclaiming May as National Water Safety Month

Mayor Nagy presented the proclamation to Senior Recreation Supervisor Beireis.

4. Proclaiming May 9 to 15, 2021, as National Police Week

Mayor Nagy presented the proclamation to Police Chief Anderson.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

Rose Kane requested that the City investigate the increase of trash around the City. She cited Filbert Street between Wells Avenue and Sycamore street as an example. She suggested using the Litterati App for reporting and data analysis of trash. She volunteered to help the City address this issue.

Ryan McGee requested that City consider increased traffic safety at the traffic circle located at Willow Street and Seawind Way. He shared examples of trucks knocking down street lights/signs, eroding the curb resulting in exposed rebar, and a truck that drove onto a wall 20 feet from his home.

Namit Saksena also requested that the City look into increased traffic safety measure for the Bayside neighborhood. He stated that 238 residents signed a petition requesting that the City: Install signage on Willow Street and Central Avenue directing trucks that want to drive through to bypass other routes to avoid the residential neighborhood, instruct FedEx trucks going to 8333 Central Avenue to avoid Willow Street, and Install MUTCD compliant Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacons on Willow Street crossing at Seawind Way. The Traffic Safety request pdf that Mr. Saksena emailed to the City before the meeting is on file with the City Clerk.

City Manager Benoun stated that staff would look into the accidents at the traffic circle and the suggested safety measures. He also noted that the Quiet Zone Study is funded in the Capital Improvement Plan and that staff was preparing a request for proposals to obtain a consultant to lead the project.

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Hannon moved, Council Member Collazo seconded, to approve Consent Calendar Items D.1 through D.6, that the resolutions be numbered consecutively, and that reading of the titles suffice for adoption of the resolutions. The motion passed, 4 AYES, 1 ABSENT.

1. Approval of Audited Demands
2. Approval of April 8, 2021, minutes
3. Adopt a Resolution Initiating of the 2021 Weed Abatement Program and setting May 27, 2021 for a public hearing
Resolution No. 11191
4. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Annual Program Submittal for Measures B and BB funding for the Ride-On Tri-City! transportation services
Resolution No. 11192

5. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to the contractual services agreement with ECS, Imaging Inc. for document imaging services and amendment of the 2020-2022 Biennial Budget and Capital Improvement Plan
Resolution No. 11193
Contract No. 19017
6. Introduction of an Ordinance adding Chapter 2.06 (Electronic Filing) to Title 2 (Administration and Personnel) to the Newark Municipal Code relating to electronic filing of campaign statements and statements of economic interests
Ordinance Introduced

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

F. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Mid-year Budget Review and Resolution for Amendment of the 2020-2022 Biennial Budget and Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Year 2021.
Resolution No. 11194

Finance Director Lee gave the presentation (on file with City Clerk).

Council Member Hannon moved, Council Member Collazo seconded, to adopt a resolution amending the 2020-2022 Biennial Budget and Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Year 2021. The motion passed, 4 AYES, 1 ABSENT.

2. Resolution to Initiate Proceedings for the Levy and Collection of Assessments for Landscaping and Lighting Districts Nos. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 for fiscal year 2021-2022
Resolution No. 11195

Council Member Collazo announced that she would recuse due to property ownership in Landscaping and Lighting District Nos. 10 and 11.

City Manager Benoun announced that he would recuse due to property ownership in Landscaping and Lighting District No. 11.

City Clerk Harrington placed Council Member Collazo and City Manager Benoun on hold in Zoom.

Public Works Director Fajeau gave the staff report recommending approval.

Council Member Freitas moved, Council Member Hannon seconded, to adopt a resolution to initiate proceedings for the levy and collection of assessments for Landscaping and Lighting Disgriect No. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19. The motion passed, 3 AYES, 1 ABSENT (Bucci), 1 RECUSED (Collazo).

Council Member Collazo and City Manager Benoun rejoined the meeting.

G. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS

The entire City Council wished Vice Mayor Bucci a speedy recovery from his eye procedure.

Mayor Nagy stated that the old city hall would be demolished in the next few days.

Council Member Freitas stated that he noticed the Mi Pueblo was recently painted and asked if there was a potential tenant. Mayor Nagy stated it was painted in hopes of attracting a tenant.

Council Member Hannon complimented staff on the budget and the dog park.

Council Member Collazo stated that today was Earth Day and she spent some time in her garden. She complimented city staff on their service to the community. Shop Newark.

H. CLOSED SESSION

I. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Nagy adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Sheila Harrington
City Clerk