



CITY OF NEWARK CITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES

Thursday, April 14, 2022

A. ROLL CALL

Mayor Nagy called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m. Present were Council Members Collazo, Bucci, Freitas, and Vice Mayor Hannon.

B. PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclaiming April 24th to April 30th as National Crime Victims' Rights Week

Mayor Nagy presented the proclamation to Jenifer Mello, South County Victim Advocate Supervisor for the Alameda County District Attorney's office.

2. Introduction of employees

Mayor Nagy introduced Police Officers Adami and Sanchez.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one requested to speak.

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Bucci moved, Vice Mayor Hannon 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. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

1. Approval of Audited Demands

2. Approval of March 24, 2022, special and regular meeting minutes

3. Adopt a resolution finding that there is a proclaimed state of emergency; finding that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees as a result of the state of emergency; and authorizing continued remote teleconferenced meetings of the legislative bodies of the City of Newark for the 30 day period beginning April 14 pursuant to AB 361
Resolution No. 11331
4. Adopt a resolution establishing the number of residents in the City of Newark for the purpose of determining the voluntary expenditure ceiling for the November 8, 2022, Municipal Election
Resolution No. 11332
5. Adopt a resolution initiating the 2022 Weed Abatement Program and setting May 26, 2022 for a public hearing
Resolution No. 11333
6. Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Contractual Services Agreement with Baird + Driskell Community Planning and authorizing amendment of the 2020- 2022 Biennial Budget for Fiscal Year 2022 to provide funding for General Plan Updates related to the services associated with the 2023-2031 Housing Element
Resolution No. 11334
Contract No. 22011

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

F. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Resolution to Initiate Proceedings for the Levy and Collection of Assessments for Landscaping and Lighting District Nos. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19 for fiscal year 2022-2023
Resolution No. 11335

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.

Council Member Collazo and City Manager Benoun exited the City Council Chambers.

Public Works Director Fajeau gave the staff report recommending approval.

No one requested to speak.

Council Member Freitas moved, Vice Mayor Hannon seconded, to adopt a resolution to initiate proceedings for the levy and collection of assessments for Landscaping and Lighting District Nos. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19. The motion passed, 4 AYES, 1 RECUSED (Collazo).

Council Member Collazo and City Manager Benoun returned to the City Council Chambers.

G. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS

Mayor Nagy commended the Parks and Recreation Department for another successful Family Day at the Park. He wished everyone a Happy Easter

Council Member Bucci thanked the Optimist and Rotary Club volunteers for their Family Day at the Park help. He congratulated newly hired Police Officers Adami and Sanchez. He congratulated Records Supervisor Beck and City Clerk Harrington on being named Employees of the Year.

Council Member Freitas wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Vice Mayor Hannon agreed that Family Day at the Park was a great event. He announced that the Tri City Volunteers would hold a food distribution event at the Newark Community Center on the first and third Friday of each month. He wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Council Member Collazo announced that library cards could be used to make reservations at state parks. Happy Easter, Shop Newark.

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, Assistant City Manager Hovorka, and Human Resources Director Solito; Employee Groups: the Newark Association of Miscellaneous Employees; the Newark Police Management Association; the Newark Police Association; the Confidential Employee Group; and City Officials and the Management, Supervisory, and Professional Employee Group.

No one request to speak.

At 7:47 p.m. the City Council recessed to closed session.

At 7:55 p.m. the City Council convened in closed session.

At 8:25 p.m. the City Council reconvened in open session with all Council Members present.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Nagy adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Sheila Harrington, City Clerk