

CITY OF NEWARK CITY COUNCIL

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Minutes

Thursday, January 26, 2017

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

A. ROLL CALL

Mayor Nagy called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were Council Members Hannon, Collazo, Freitas, and Vice Mayor Bucci.

B. MINUTES

B.1 Approval of Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of Thursday, January 12, 2017. MOTION APPROVED

Council Member Hannon moved, Council Member Bucci seconded, to approve the Minutes of the regular City Council meeting. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

- C. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS
- D. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS
- E. PUBLIC HEARINGS
- F. CITY MANAGER REPORT
 - F.1 Presentation on Pension and Other Post-Employment Benefits.

Administrative Services Director Woodstock gave a presentation (on file with City Clerk) on how the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) continues to experience less that projected investment returns and take actions that affect the rates the City pays into the system. The other post-employment benefit is the PEMCA minimum of \$128 per month for retirees who purchase their medical insurance through PERS. The plan has a currently funded status of 45% as many retirees purchase their medical insurance outside of PERS and do not receive the benefit.

Administrative Services Director Woodstock recommended the following polices for the City Council to consider at a future meeting:

- Contribute no less than 100% of actuarially determined contribution annually
- Target funding at 90 to 100% of actuarial accrued liability
- Use 20 year alternate amortization schedule for current unfunded accrued liablility
- As possible, amortize all gains/losses no longer than a 20 year, closed period
- Establish the PERS reserve with a strategy to avoid phase-in periods and provide economic relief during recessionary cycles
- Dedicate a portion of surplus funds to accelerate payment on unfunded liabilities.

Vice Mayor Bucci requested that staff include an option to pay down part of the unfunded liability when the policies were brought back to Council.

G. CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

H. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

I. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS

Mayor Nagy announced that he would adjourn the City Council meeting in memory of Police Officer Oskar Reyes. The entire City Council extended their condolences.

Council Member Collazo stated that she would pray for the whole nation after everything that has happened this week.

Council Member Hannon thanked the volunteers who assisted during the recent storm. He stated that a few Rotary Club Crab Feed tickets were still available for this weekend's event.

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

K. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Gregory Lemos stated that the Alameda County Water District's unfunded accrued liability is \$100,000,000. He requested that a sign be placed at Smith Avenue and Cedar Boulevard alerting drivers to the pedestrian crosswalk.

L. APPROPRIATIONS

Approval of Audited Demands for the City Council meeting of January 26, 2017. MOTION APPROVED

City Clerk Harrington read the Register of Audited Demands: Check numbers 109879 to 110047.

Vice Mayor Bucci moved, Council Member Hannon seconded, to approve the Register of Audited Demands. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

M. CLOSED SESSION

M.1 Closed session for conference with Legal Counsel pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), Anticipated Litigation: One case – from Human Resources Director Abe and City Attorney Benoun.

At 8:48 p.m. the City Council recessed to a closed session.

At 8:56 p.m. the City Council convened in closed session.

At 9:06 p.m. the City Council reconvened in open session with all Council Members present.

N. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:06 p.m. Council Member Hannon moved, Council Member Collazo seconded, to adjourn the City Council meeting, in memory of Police Officer Oskar Reyes. The motion passed, 5 AYES.