



CITY OF NEWARK CITY COUNCIL

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

Minutes

Thursday, March 23, 2017

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, March 9, 2017. **MOTION APPROVED**

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

C. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

C.1 Introduction of employees.

Mayor Nagy introduced newly hired Police Officers Joyce Wang and Frank Herbert.

C.2 Proclaiming March as American Red Cross Month in Newark.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Nagy presented the proclamation to Helen Knudson.

C.3 Commending Nianju Gu, Rotary Club Speech Contest winner, and presentation of her speech. **COMMENDATION**

Mayor Nagy presented the commendation to Nianju Gu. Ms. Gu presented her speech "Legos Are For Everyone" at the City Council meeting.

D. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

F. CITY MANAGER REPORT

Vice Mayor Bucci moved, Council Member Collazo seconded, to approve Consent Calendar Items F.1 through F.2, that the resolutions be numbered consecutively, and that reading of the titles suffice for adoption of the resolutions. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

- F.1 Authorization for the purchase of a new 2017 John Deere 1550 Terrain Cut Commercial Front Mower from Turf and Industrial Equipment Company. RESOLUTION NO. 10600**
- F.2 Initiation of the 2017 Weed Abatement Program and setting April 27, 2017 for a public hearing. RESOLUTION NO. 10601**

NONCONSENT**F.3 Discussion of options regarding Accessory Dwelling Units regulations.**

Assistant City Manager Grindall stated that staff was seeking guidance from the City Council on issues that were raised at the January 12, 2017 meeting: requiring owner occupancy in Standard Accessory Dwelling Units and limiting Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) to one bedroom.

The City Council discussed the State Building Code Occupancy restrictions, the City of San Jose's restrictions on the number of guests that may rent one property, the various types of property ownership, parking, and code enforcement.

Vice Mayor Bucci stated that he did not support the owner occupancy requirement.

Liz Brazil, stated that she would like to rent her property in the future without the owner occupancy requirement. She provide copies of codes from the cities of Fremont and Union City for the City Council to consider.

Mr. Mahider stated that he had previously considered building an accessory dwelling unit, but did not due to the size restriction. He requested that the City Council consider a larger limit, if the property size and setback restrictions could accommodate the ADU.

Vice Mayor Bucci requested that staff explore the San Jose guest limit policies, mentioned by Council Hannon, and include those in the next report.

Assistant City Manager Grindall stated that based on the discussion, the City Council seemed to favor a limit on how many people could live in a unit. Staff would also review the codes that were provided by Ms. Brazil.

Council Member Hannon requested that the next report include the setback requirements and open space on the property. He also suggested keeping the size limit and considering a permit process for larger ADUs, if the property size could accommodate the increase.

Liz Brazil stated that allowing ADUs with larger square footage would result in additional property tax for the City.

G. CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

H. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

I. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS

I.1 Reappointing Senior Citizen Standing Advisory Committee members; declaring a vacancy on the Committee and authorizing the City Clerk to post a notice of vacancy. RESOLUTION NO. 10602 MOTION APPROVED

Mayor Nagy recommended the reappointment of Kathleen Lemos and Glen Wickizer to the Senior Citizen Standing Advisory Committee. He further recommended authorizing the City Clerk to advertise the vacancy.

Council Member Hannon moved, Council Member Freitas seconded to: 1) by resolution, reappoint Kathleen Lemos and Glen Wickizer to the Senior Citizen Standing Advisory Committee; and 2) by motion, declare a vacancy on the Senior Citizen Standing Advisory Committee, and direct the City Clerk to post the notice of vacancy. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

Mayor Nagy stated that the Alameda County Grand Jury was seeking volunteers to serve on the Grand Jury. More details were available at acgov.org.

Vice Mayor Bucci stated that Relay for Life, the fundraising arm of the American Cancer Society would begin hosting fundraising events. He suggested checking Facebook or their website for details.

Council Member Collazo stated that Family Day at the Park would be held on the morning of April 8, 2017 at Community Park. She noted the death of Chuck Berry this week. She encouraged the public to shop Newark.

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

K. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

L. APPROPRIATIONS

Approval of Audited Demands for the City Council meeting of March 23, 2017. MOTION APPROVED

City Clerk Harrington read the Register of Audited Demands: Check numbers 110407 to 110533.

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

M. CLOSED SESSION

N. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:51 p.m. Mayor Nagy adjourned the City Council meeting.