



CITY OF ALBANY

MINUTES OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 1000 SAN PABLO AVENUE MONDAY, MAY 5, 2014

7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Thomsen called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Thomsen led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Atkinson, Barnes, Maass, Vice Mayor Wile, Mayor Thomsen.

3. REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION, IF ANY

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

4-1. Minutes, April 21, 2014

Staff recommendation: Approve

4-2. Ratification of Payroll

a. Ratification of City of Albany net payroll in the amount of \$200,030.27; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of \$278,534.56. Total payroll in the amount of \$478,564.83. Payroll period: 4/18/2014

b. Ratification of Albany Municipal Services JPA net payroll in the amount of \$43,210.38; taxes, benefits & withholdings in the amount of \$51,906.21. Total payroll in the amount of \$95,116.59. Payroll period: 4/18/2014

Staff recommendation: Ratify

4-3. Ratification of Bills, Claims and Demands

Ratification of bills, claims and demands against the City of Albany in the amount of: \$13,688.32 (4/17/2014); \$93,870.00 (4/22/2014); \$637,580.23 (4/24/2014)

Staff recommendation: Ratify

- 4-4.** Ratification of Police & Fire Pension Plan payments in the amount of \$114,640.32 for the month of April, 2014.

Staff recommendation: Ratify.

- 4-5.** Vice Mayor Wile appointed Beth Ellis-Dickson to the Albany Arts Committee.

Staff recommendation: Information only

- 4-6.** Appointment of Tina McKenney to the Board of Police and Fire Pension Fund Commissioners as the City Clerk's Alternate to the Board

Staff recommendation: that the Council appoint Tina McKenney as the City Clerk's Alternate to the Board of Police and Fire Pension Fund Commissioners

- 4-7.** Resolution No. 2014-45 Authorizing Submission of Grant Applications to the Caltrans Active Transportation Program for Improvements to Marin Avenue, San Pablo Avenue, and Buchanan Street

Staff recommendation: that the Council adopt Resolution No. 2014-45 Authorizing Submission of grant applications to the Caltrans Active Transportation Program for improvements to Marin Avenue, San Pablo Avenue, and Buchanan Street

- 4-8.** Construction of 2013 Sewer Improvement Project: Key Route Blvd, Cornell Ave and Talbot Ave, Contract No. C13-21

Staff recommendation: that the Council adopt Resolution No. 2014-46 approving and accepting improvements and directing the filing of the Notice of Completion for the Construction of 2013 Sewer Improvement Project: Key Route Blvd, Cornell Ave and Talbot Ave, Contract No. C13-21

- 4-9.** Ordinance No. 2014-04 Amending Chapter XV, Sewers and Sanitation, of the Albany Municipal Code to Effectively Join the Regional Sewer Lateral Program, Administered by the East Bay Municipal Utility District – Second Reading

Staff recommendation: that the Council approve for second reading – pass-to-print, Ordinance No. 2014-04, an Ordinance of the Albany City Council Amending Chapter XV, Sewers and Sanitation, of the Albany Municipal Code to Effectively Join the Regional Sewer Lateral Program, Administered by the East Bay Municipal Utility District

- 4-10.** Resolution No. 2014-47, Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Second Amendment to the Purchase and Sale Agreement with Western Forge and Flange

Company for Purchase of 540 Cleveland Avenue for the Public Works Service Center Project

Staff recommendation: that the Council adopt Resolution No. 2014-47 authorizing the City Manager to execute the Second Amendment to the Purchase Agreement with Western Forge and Flange Company

Mayor Thomsen asked if anyone would like to remove an item, items 4-7 and 4-10 were removed from the consent calendar.

Item 4-7: Council Member Atkinson expressed appreciation for the project and asked about the median on Marin and how it impacts left-hand turns.

Transportation Planner Aleida Andrino-Chavez responded that the grant will analyze design options.

Item 4-10: City Manager Penelope Leach noted that there is a slight change in funding the purchase, utilizing general equipment reserves in the amount of \$168,454.

City Attorney Craig Labadie discussed the substance for the second amendment to address the County's process for remediation of the property site to include a case closure notice to be issued by the County following remediation and monitoring of the site.

MOTION:

Moved by Council Member Maass, seconded by Vice Mayor Wile to approve the Consent Calendar items as submitted.

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Barnes, Maass, Vice Mayor Wile, Mayor Thomsen.

NOES: None

Motion carried and so ordered.

5. PRESENTATION

6. GOOD OF THE CITY/PUBLIC FORUM/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Thomsen opened Good of the City/Public Forum.

The following people spoke: Francesco Papalia; Amy Smollens; Kim Denton; Peggy McQuaid; Aleida Andrino-Chavez; Amber Whitson; Paul O'Curry.

A summary of comments is as follows: assisting people furnish homes for those transitioning from the Bulb, in need of people with vans/trucks, donation of washer/dryers and a refrigerator; May is Bike Month, Strollers & Rollers sponsored free valet parking at Arts & Green Festival, Bike to Work Day is Thursday May 8th; announced Albany Relay for Life on Saturday, May 17th, there are 94 participants and 14 teams so far that have raised a total of \$11,000; Albany Police Activities League will be holding the Bike Rodeo on May 17th from 10-1pm at Cornell School; Bike to School Day is Wednesday May 7th; expressed dissatisfaction with changes at the Bulb; Social & Economic Justice Commission will be discussing the item of long term issues of homelessness, and the need for a shower and drop-in center.

Mayor Thomsen expressed condolences to the Keck family on the passing of Marjorie Keck, a long term resident who was active in the community.

7. PUBLIC HEARING

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

- 9-1.** Resolution No. 2014-44 Approving the 2014 Alameda County Transportation Expenditure Plan and recommending that the Board of Supervisors place a 30-year extension and augmentation of the existing transportation sales tax on the November 4, 2014 general election ballot

Staff recommendation: that the Council approve Resolution No. 2014-44 approving the 2014 Alameda County Transportation Expenditure Plan and Recommending that the Board of Supervisors place a 30-year extension and augmentation of the existing transportation sales tax on the November 4, 2014 general election ballot

Community Development Director Jeff Bond delivered the staff report and introduced staff from the Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC). The Alameda CTC is requesting City Council approval of the 2014 Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP) and support for its request to the Board of Supervisors to place a County-wide sales tax measure on the November 4, 2014 ballot. If approved by Alameda County voters, the measure will fund implementation of transportation improvements and transit services, including active transportation improvements consistent with the City Council Strategic Plan, Active Transportation Plan, and the Climate Action Plan.

In 1986, Alameda County voters approved Measure B, a half-cent sales tax, to fund transportation improvements and programs throughout Alameda County. In November 2000, Alameda County voters approved an extension of the sales tax through 2022 to fund a new set of project and program investments throughout the County. All of the major projects approved by the voters in the 2000 Measure are either underway or complete. In 2012, 66.5 percent of Alameda County voters supported a 2012 Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP), just under the two-thirds majority required to pass.

The Alameda CTC unanimously approved the Plan on January 23, 2014. In order to be placed on the November ballot, Alameda CTC is required to obtain approval of the TEP by a majority of the cities representing a majority of the population as well as by the Board of Supervisors.

There was no public comment on this item.

A summary of Council comments is as follows: expressed support for the TEP, asked about environmental review and coordination with the One Bay Area Plan, asked about opportunities in Albany including locating a BART station in Albany.

MOTION:

Moved by Vice Mayor Wile, seconded by Council Member Maass to approve Resolution No. 2014-44 approving the 2014 Alameda County Transportation Expenditure Plan and Recommending that the Board of Supervisors place a 30-year extension and augmentation of the existing transportation sales tax on the November 4, 2014 general election ballot.

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Barnes, Maass, Vice Mayor Wile, Mayor Thomsen.

NOES: None

Motion carried and so ordered.

10. OTHER BUSINESS, REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED, ANNOUNCEMENT OF EVENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

Vice Mayor Wile announced she attended the Albany Unified School District meeting, the District does plan to initiate a parcel tax on the November 2014 ballot.

Council Member Maass expressed appreciation for the Arts & Green Festival.

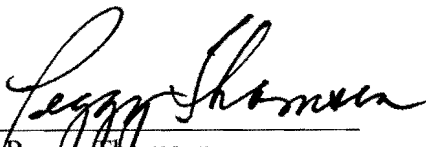
Albany Middle School music program competed in Milpitas and won many awards.

Council Member Atkinson expressed appreciation for the Arts & Green Festival and for the White Elephant Sale that raised more than \$4,000 for the Senior Center.

11. ADJOURNMENT

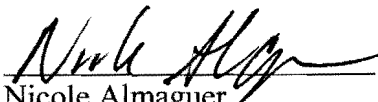
8:18 pm. There being no further business before the City Council it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes submitted by Nicole Almaguer, City Clerk.



Peggy Thomsen
Mayor

Attest:



Nicole Almaguer
City Clerk