

**MINUTES
OF THE
REGULAR MEETING
CLAYTON CITY COUNCIL**

TUESDAY, August 3, 2021

1. **CALL TO ORDER THE CITY COUNCIL** – The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Wolfe on a virtual web meeting and telephonically (877) 853-5257. Councilmembers present: Mayor Wolfe, Vice Mayor Cloven, and Councilmembers Diaz, Tillman, and Wan (joined at 7:01 p.m.). Councilmembers absent: None. Staff present: City Manager Reina Schwartz, City Attorney Mala Subramanian, and City Clerk/HR Manager Janet Calderon.

2. **MEETING PROTOCOL VIDEO** – City Clerk.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – led by Councilmember Diaz.

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

It was moved by Councilmember Diaz, seconded by Vice Mayor Cloven, to approve the Consent Calendar items as submitted. (Passed 5-0).

- (a) Approved the minutes of the City Council’s regular meeting of July 20, 2021. (City Clerk)
- (b) Approved the Financial Demands and Obligations of the City. (Finance)
- (c) Adopted Resolution No. 49-2021 Authorizing the Levy for Fiscal Year 2021/22 for Community Facility District No. 1990-1R, 2007 Special Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds (Middle School). (Assistant to the City Manager).
- (d) Adopted Resolution No. 50-2021 Authorizing the Third Amendment to an Existing Agreement with Harris & Associates for Professional Engineering Services Including Designating a New City Engineer. (City Manager)

5. **RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS** – None.

6. **REPORTS**

(a) City Manager/Staff

City Manager Reina Schwartz provided information on Councilmember Diaz’ request at the last City Council meeting regarding the Clayton Pioneer payment and provided some brief information regarding the Clayton Business and Community Association.

Councilmember Diaz also provided a brief statement regarding the Clayton Business and Community Association.

- (b) City Council - Reports from Council liaisons to Regional Committees, Commissions and Boards.

Councilmember Diaz attended the memorial service for Richard Rainey, the Wednesday Classic Car Show and DJ event, the Concerts in The Grove, met with the City Manager, and met with the Police Chief.

Vice Mayor Cloven attended the Cal Cities East Bay Division meeting, the Clayton Business and Community Association mixer, thanked Howard Geller and Jim Diaz for their efforts with the Concerts in The Grove, met with Senator Glazer along with Councilmember Tillman regarding SB9 and SB10, met with city staff and the City Manager.

Councilmember Tillman attended the Cal Cities East Bay Division meeting, met with the Mt Diablo Unified School District Board along with the City Manager and Mayor, attended the Clayton Business and Community Association mixer, met with Senator Glazer, met with neighboring Councilmember Edi Birsan and Councilmember Carlyn Obringer, and will be meeting with other Elected Officials, School Board members, and the District Attorney.

Councilmember Wan called and emailed constituents.

Mayor Wolfe attended the Cal Cities East Bay Division meeting, met with the City Manager, met with Vice Mayor Cloven, attended the Concerts in The Grove, attended the Clayton Community Library book sale, met with the Mount Diablo Unified School District Board along with the Mayors and City Managers within the district, and met with Concord Mayor McGallian who has postponed in person City Council meetings in Concord until further notice.

Councilmember Diaz advised developer of The Olivia project has listed its property for sale.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON - AGENDA ITEMS

Keith Haydon provided a brief update to current County Connection promotions.

Terri Denslow, Clayton Business and Community Association Treasurer, provided an update regarding recent allegations, noting an extension to October 15 was requested for filing of the 2020 tax documents.

Edward Hartley clarified some allegations made regarding the Clayton Business and Community Association.

Frank Gavidia expressed his concerns with the Clayton Business and Community Association's financial documents.

Keith Haydon, member of Clayton Business and Community Association expressed his concerns regarding the misleading allegations.

Bassam Altwal expressed his concerns of a Planning Commissioner actions and accused a Councilmember of sharing confidential information.

Councilmember Wan responded to Mr. Altwal's remarks

Councilmember Diaz responded to Mr. Altwal's remarks.

Councilmember Tillman requested clarification of the City's financial role regarding Concerts in The Grove and 4th of July Parade.

Scott Denslow expressed his dissatisfaction with a couple of Councilmembers actions.

Councilmember Diaz responded to Mr. Denslow's remarks.

Mayor Wolfe closed public comment.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None.

9. ACTION ITEMS

- (a) Adopt a Resolution of the City Council Establishing City Protocol for the Honoring and Recognition of Citizens, Volunteers, Employees and Elected Officials. (City Manager)

City Manager Reina Schwartz presented the report.

Following questions by City Council, Mayor Wolfe opened the item to public comment.

Frank Gavidia expressed support of the policy and recommended Elected Officials who receive a monthly stipend should not receive additional recognition.

Bassam Altwal expressed his dissatisfaction with a Planning Commissioner.

Karen Amos expressed support of the guidelines and inquired on donations made by community members toward recognition gifts for Elected Officials.

Mayor Wolfe closed public comment.

Vice Mayor Cloven moved to adopt the policy as written.

Councilmember Wan is not supportive of the policy as written and suggested Elected Officials receive nothing from tax dollars.

Councilmember Diaz seconded Vice Mayor Cloven's motion.

After further discussion, Councilmember Diaz withdrew his second.

Vice Mayor Cloven modified his motion sans Exhibit A.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Cloven, seconded by Councilmember Tillman to Adopt Resolution No. 51-2021 Establishing City Protocol for the Honoring and Recognition of Citizens, Volunteers, and Employees to be administered by the City Manager and City Clerk, as amended. (5-0; Passed)

- (b) Discussion of Rejection of Liability Claim Filed by Maryam Maheri for the Alleged Property Damage. (Councilmember Diaz)

City Manager Reina Schwartz presented the report.

Following questions by City Council, Mayor Wolfe opened the item to public comment; no comments were offered.

City Council provided direction to staff.

- (c) Update to Recognition of Cultural Heritage Months and Other Significant Celebrations. (City Manager)

City Manager Reina Schwartz presented the report.

Following questions by City Council, Mayor Wolfe opened the item to public comment; no comments were offered.

It was moved by Councilmember Wan, seconded by Councilmember Diaz to remove Columbus Day and Juneteenth from the Recognition of Cultural Heritage Months and Other Significant Celebrations as they are recognized as Federal Holidays and add Cesar Chavez Day and Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day (5-0; Passed)

- (d) Discussion Regarding Potential Changes to the City's Sign Ordinance. (Councilmember Diaz)

Councilmember Diaz presented the report.

Following questions by City Council, Mayor Wolfe opened the item to public comment.

Frank Gavidia supports First Amendment Rights and encouraged the City Council to make the right decision.

Karen Amos inquired if there are regulations regarding size and placement of signs.

Scott Denslow expressed support of First Amendment Rights.

Mayor Wolfe closed public comment.

No action taken.

- 10. RECESS THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING – Mayor Wolfe**
(until after the conclusion of the Oakhurst Geological Hazard Abatement District meeting)

Mayor Wolfe announced the City Council will adjourn to a Oakhurst Geological Hazard Abatement District Meeting [9:04 p.m.]

11. RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING – Mayor Wolfe

Mayor Wolfe announced the City Council will reconvene the City Council meeting [9:09 p.m.].

12. COUNCIL ITEMS

Councilmember Wan requested the City’s website should include scheduled work, including completion dates, and specify areas of responsible in the Landscape Maintenance District.

13. ADJOURNMENT– on call by Mayor Wolfe, the City Council adjourned its meeting at 9:11 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council will be August 17, 2021.

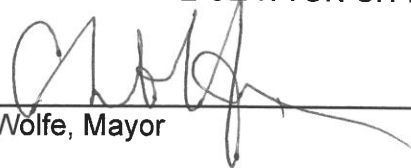
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Respectfully submitted,



Janet Calderon, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE CLAYTON CITY COUNCIL



Carl Wolfe, Mayor

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