

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

TUESDAY, January 19, 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. Councilmembers absent: None. Staff present: City Manager Reina Schwartz, Police Chief Elise Warren, City Attorney Martin de los Angeles, and City Clerk/HR Manager Janet Calderon.

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

3. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

- (a) Approved the minutes of the City Council's regular meeting of January 5, 2021. (City Clerk)
- (b) Approved the Financial Demands and Obligations of the City. (Finance)
- (c) Adopted the 2021 City Council Calendar (City Manager/City Clerk)
- (d) Adopted Resolution No. 01-2021 Approving the Disposal of Police Vehicle Unit 1735. (Police Chief)
- (e) Adopted Resolution No. 02-2021 to award of contract to MIG, Inc. to provide professional services in the Community Engagement, Downtown Property. (Community Development Director)
- (f) Receive and file the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Regional Early Action Plan (REAP) Non-Competitive Funding grant in the amount of \$20,000. (Community Development Director)

4. **RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- (a) Proclamation declaring February 2021 as "Black and African American History Month".

Councilmember Tillman provided a background on the requested proclamation, then read the proclamation.

Mayor Wolfe opened this item to public comment.

Nia Williams as a representative of the Diversify Our Narrative group at Clayton Valley Charter High School advised the City Council of the issues the group is having in adding any new curriculum for the 20-21 and 21-22 school year.

Cheryl Willis provided some information regarding a recently started non-profit organization called Rise Up Against Racism. Among other efforts, Rise Up Against Racism develops anti-racist libraries intended to bring the community together to understand and dismantle racism. She also requested that an anti-racist library be installed at Clayton's City Hall as it seems to be a secure location.

5. REPORTS

(a) Planning Commission – Vice Chair Terri Denslow stated at the meeting of January 12, 2021, the Commission had a robust discussion of the meeting minutes for October 27, 2020, November 2, 2020, November 24, 2020, December 8, 2020 and December 22, 2020 covering both the format and content. Ultimately the item was tabled with direction to staff to bring the Minutes back at a later date. Commissioner Altwal abstained. The next item was a clarification on a future agenda item around a September 15, 2020 memo from HCD regarding the Housing Accountability Act technical assistance advisory. There was a discussion during the Diablo meadows project that seemed to potential be in conflict with the clarifications in the HCD memo. It was determined to bring this item back to specifically discuss the difference between subdivision D and subdivision J and provide clarification to the Planning Commission on when each one of those subdivisions apply so the Commission has the insight for future housing development projects. The last item was a carry-over item from December 22, 2020 meeting. Chair Chippero suggested in 2021 the Planning Commission would rotate report out providing update reports to the City Council, Commissi. Commissioner Gavidia raised concerns with the rotation process. It was agreed that Chair Chippero and Vice Chair Denslow will be the primary Commissioners to report out, with Commissioner Altwal as the alternate.

(b) Trails and Landscaping Committee – No meeting held.

(c) City Manager/Staff

City Manager Reina Schwartz announced the Planning Commission vacancy and encouraged any citizen interested in the position should apply by January 22, 2021 however the deadline may be extended a little bit.

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

Vice Mayor Cloven attended the virtual Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference, the new Councilmembers virtual lunch hosted by Cal Cities, training with City department heads and City Attorney, working with Laura Hoffmeister to schedule Trails and Landscaping Committee meeting in February, visited Keller Ridge/Kelok Way area to gather an understanding of the concerns in the area, emailed constituents, and announced upcoming new Councilmember training.

Councilmember Tillman attended the virtual Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference, several meetings with the City Manager, City Attorney, and City department heads, met with residents on Kelok Way, emailed constituents, collaborated with neighboring youth to prepare for a town hall to meet with local City Councilmembers, attended the new Councilmembers virtual lunch hosted by Cal Cities, and announced upcoming new Councilmember training.

Councilmember Wan emailed and called constituents, followed new legislation where SB1120 has been re-branded to SB9, and spoke to residents on Kelok Way.

Councilmember Diaz emailed residents of Kelok and Keller Ridge, attended the virtual Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference, participated in the removal of the downtown decorations, spoke with Mayor Dave Hudson from San Ramon regarding Housing vs. Jobs and Allocation thereof, met with residents of Morgan Territory Community Association meeting, and met with the City Manager and Police Chief.

Mayor Wolfe attended the virtual Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference, attended closed session special meeting of the East Contra Costa Habitat Conservancy, met with the City Manager, emailed and called constituents, had a socially distanced photo session with first Mayor Bob Hoyer, will be attending the Cal Cities training, thanked everyone in the removal of the downtown decorations, as well as Scout Troop 484 for the Christmas tree recycling effort.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON - AGENDA ITEMS

Gary Hood inquired on the status of the housing element letter; suggesting it also be sent to all Contra Costa cities and placed on the agenda at the next Contra Costa County Mayors conference.

Jenny Lewis thanked the City Manager for the clarification regarding the storage of cannabis for personal use. She also requested the City Council consider allowing outdoor cannabis cultivation.

Mayor Wolfe closed public comment.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None.

8. ACTION ITEMS

- (a) Keller Ridge Drive /Kelok Way Area Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Recommendations (Police Chief)

Police Chief Elise Warren presented the report.

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

Clifford Seaholm is not in support of installation of a fence however, open to ideas that do not block the view.

Carrie Smith expressed significant concern of fire danger in the area and supported cameras, tickets, lights, and more police presence.

Nancy Beaver expressed her concerns of fire danger and limitation of one way in and one way out. She also inquired on the cost of speed bumps.

Mary McCarthy expressed her interest in being a part of a more formalized committee of the neighbors.

Leticia Smithwick also expressed interest in being a part of a more formalized committee of the neighbors.

Jay Gordon added the speeds have changed based on some neighbors placing children at play signs. He also expressed interest in being part of a more formalized committee of the neighbors.

Brian Kincaid expressed his support of more enforcement and suggested placement of a police car near the red curb.

Vala Stabler expressed her concerns of cars speeding and running stop signs in the area. She further expressed her concern of fire safety.

Mayor Wolfe closed public comment.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Cloven, seconded by Councilmember Tillman, to refer this matter to the Public Safety ad-hoc committee to gather input from the residents in the Keller Ridge Drive/ Kelok Way area on suggestions to remedy traffic and pedestrian safety. (Passed 5-0).

9. COUNCIL ITEMS

Councilmember Tillman requested City staff to determine if it is viable to install an anti-racist library at City Hall. She also requested a list of cultural days recognized in Clayton.

10. CLOSED SESSION – None.

11. ADJOURNMENT– on call by Mayor Wolfe, the City Council adjourned its meeting at 8:54 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council will be February 2, 2021.

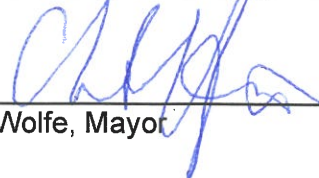
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Respectfully submitted,



Janet Calderon, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE CLAYTON CITY COUNCIL



Carl Wolfe, Mayor

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