

City Council Regular Meeting

MINUTES

Tuesday, April 13, 2021 6:30 PM

Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20, members of the Folsom City Council and staff may participate in this meeting via teleconference.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 50 Natoma Street, Folsom, California, with Mayor Mike Kozlowski presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Councilmembers Present: Rosario Rodriguez, Councilmember
Sarah Aquino, Vice Mayor
YK Chalamcherla, Councilmember
Kerri Howell, Councilmember
Mike Kozlowski, Mayor

Councilmembers Absent: None

Participating Staff: City Manager Elaine Andersen
City Attorney Steve Wang
City Clerk Christa Freemantle
Parks and Recreation Director Lorraine Poggione
Fire Chief Ken Cusano
Deputy Fire Marshall Lauren Ono
Landscaping and Lighting District Manager Zach Perras
Public Works Director Dave Nugen
Finance Director/CFO Stacey Tamagni

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA UPDATE

Mayor Mike Kozlowski announced that scheduled presentations would be taken ahead of Business from the Floor.

City Clerk Christa Freemantle announced that there were no agenda updates.

SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS:

1. Presentation from Congressman Ami Bera, M.D. Regarding the Federal Government's COVID-19 Relief Package Known as the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

Congressman Ami Bera, MD appeared by videoconference from Washington, D.C. Congressman Bera shared information regarding the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and responded to questions from the City Council.

2. Proclamation of the Mayor of the City of Folsom Proclaiming the Month of April as Limb Loss and Limb Difference Awareness Month in the City of Folsom

Councilmember YK Chalamcherla presented the proclamation to Jim Wilkes, Certified Peer Visitor and Amputee Coalition Advocate for the Amputee Coalition.

3. Arbor Day Foundation's Recognition of Folsom as a 2020 Tree City USA and a Proclamation of the Mayor of the City of Folsom Encouraging the Community to Become Involved in Arbor Day

Councilmember Kerri Howell presented the proclamation to City Arborist Aimee Nunez.

4. Presentation on Ladder Fuel and Weed Abatement Practices

Parks and Recreation Director Lorraine Poggione made a presentation along with Deputy Fire Marshall Lauren Ono, Landscaping and Lighting District Manager Zach Perras and Fire Chief Ken Cusano. Staff responded to questions from the City Council.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

The following speakers addressed the City Council:

1. Charlotte Bracht regarding homelessness
2. Muriel Brounstein regarding homelessness
3. Beth Croteau regarding homelessness
4. Jeanne Shuman regarding homelessness
5. Judi Alexander regarding homelessness
6. Creta Adams regarding homelessness
7. Ed Kelly regarding homelessness
8. Steve Watters regarding homelessness

City Clerk Christa Freemantle read written comments from the following individuals:

9. John Wright regarding homelessness
10. Vijay Bhaskar regarding homelessness

CONSENT CALENDAR:

5. **pulled for discussion**
6. Resolution No. 10607 - A Resolution Acknowledging Receipt of Completed Annual State Mandated Fire Inspections
7. Resolution No. 10608 – A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with Folsom Lake Ford to Purchase Three Ford Ranger Pickup Trucks
8. Resolution No. 10610 - A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Construction Agreement with Sierra National Construction, Inc. for the Neighborhood Sidewalk Replacement Fiscal Year 2020-21 Project
9. Resolution No. 10611 - A Resolution Initiating the Proceedings for the Formation of a Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District to be Known as Prairie Oaks Ranch No. 2 Landscaping and Lighting District
10. Resolution No. 10612 - A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Lease Extension and Amendment with Patricia Orellana for Operation of Einstein Cafe at the Folsom Public Library

Motion by Councilmember Kerri Howell, second by Councilmember Rosario Rodriguez to approve Consent Calendar Items 6 through 10.

Motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Rodriguez, Aquino, Chalamcherla, Howell, Kozlowski
NOES: Councilmember(s): None
ABSENT: Councilmember(s): None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s): None

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM PULLED FOR DISCUSSION:

5. Ordinance No. 1312 – An Ordinance of the City of Folsom Adding Chapter 12.24 to the Folsom Municipal Code Pertaining to Sidewalk Vendors (Second Reading and Adoption)

Vice Mayor Sarah Aquino explained that she pulled this item in order to vote no.

Motion by Councilmember Kerri Howell, second by Councilmember Rosario Rodriguez to approve Ordinance No. 1312.

Motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Rodriguez, Chalamcherla, Howell, Kozlowski
NOES: Councilmember(s): Aquino
ABSENT: Councilmember(s): None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s): None

OLD BUSINESS:

11. Workshop Discussion Regarding City Council Governance Manual (Part 1 of 2) and Direction to Staff

City Clerk Christa Freemantle made a presentation and responded to questions from the City Council. City Manager Elaine Andersen provided additional information.

The City Council discussed the draft and provided content suggestions to staff. The Governance Manual will be brought back for final approval at a future City Council meeting.

12. Presentation Regarding the Park Naming Policy and Direction to Staff

Parks and Recreation Director Lorraine Poggione made a presentation and introduced Parks and Recreation Commission Chair Dave Nazworth. Chair Nazworth and Park Naming Ad Hoc Committee Chair Matt Hedges provided additional information.

The City Council expressed support for a public outreach effort on park naming, stating that they look forward to the Park Naming Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation at a future City Council meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

13. Resolution No. 10609 - A Resolution Ratifying Submission of Grant Applications to the Community Project Funding

Public Works Director Dave Nugen made a presentation and responded to questions from the City Council.

Motion by Vice Mayor Sarah Aquino, second by Councilmember Rosario Rodriguez to approve Resolution No. 10609.

Motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Rodriguez, Aquino, Chalamcherla, Howell, Kozlowski
NOES: Councilmember(s): None
ABSENT: Councilmember(s): None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s): None

14. New Business License Certificate Administration and Direction to Staff Regarding Potential Waiver of Business License Certificate Fees for FY 21-22

Finance Director/CFO Stacey Tamagni made a presentation and responded to questions from the City Council.

The City Council discussed options for waiving certain business license certificate fees and associated revenue reductions.

Motion by Vice Mayor Sarah Aquino, second by Councilmember Rosario Rodriguez to waive the business certificate fee for businesses that would have paid a fee less than \$600 per year and to waive the \$4 disability fee.

Motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Rodriguez, Aquino, Chalamcherla, Howell, Kozlowski
NOES: Councilmember(s): None
ABSENT: Councilmember(s): None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s): None

Motion by Vice Mayor Sarah Aquino, second by Councilmember Rosario Rodriguez to waive the \$60 fee that applies to certain streets in the Historic District and to cover the revenue reduction from fund balance.

Motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Rodriguez, Aquino, Chalamcherla, Howell, Kozlowski
NOES: Councilmember(s): None
ABSENT: Councilmember(s): None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s): None

CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

City Manager Elaine Andersen spoke of an upcoming virtual workshop for community input regarding the empty space inside the City's Historic District parking garage. She announced the 7th annual Love My Mom 5k on May 2nd and commented that this week is National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. Ms. Andersen talked about the Hometown Hero award for bravery presented to a 9-year-old Folsom resident.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilmember YK Chalamcherla talked about encouraging local businesses to use and distribute hand sanitizer. He explained that he is almost done visiting all the City departments and that he has learned quite a bit. He concluded with asking residents to be safe.

Councilmember Rosario Rodriguez thanked City Clerk Christa Freemantle, Parks and Recreation Director Lorraine Poggione, and Community Development Director Pam Johns for meeting with her to learn more about their departments. She spoke of her second ride-along with Folsom Police and that she joined the Cert Team along with volunteers to help clean up homeless camps. Councilmember Rodriguez also mentioned that she had an introductory meeting with the Steps Forward organization regarding regional homelessness.

Councilmember Kerri Howell spoke of Regional Transit's approval of the annexation of Elk Grove's transit services and announced that the Regional Sanitation District will meet tomorrow. She stated that construction is proceeding with the SouthEast Connector and congratulated Public Works Director Dave Nugen on the project. She urged everyone to drive safely.

Vice Mayor Sarah Aquino shared a letter from a Folsom Diamond Glen resident commending Public Works Director Dave Nugen and Associate Engineer Ryan Chance for their work with the Diamond Glen community.

Mayor Mike Kozlowski commented on participating as a representative of SACOG in the mega region council of governments meeting, He spoke about the next SACOG meeting and Folsom projects which were recommended for funding. He commended the Public Works Department for helping adjust SACOG's process for funding projects. He thanked Councilmember Howell for her participation with Regional Transit and closed the meeting by reminding everyone to continue wearing their masks and to get vaccinated.

ADJOURNMENT


There being no further business to come before the Folsom City Council, Mayor Mike Kozlowski adjourned the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:



Christa Freemantle, City Clerk

ATTEST:



Mike Kozlowski, Mayor