

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CONCORD CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
1950 PARKSIDE DRIVE
CONCORD, CALIFORNIA
TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2016

The Concord City Council met in a special meeting in the Council Chamber located at 1950 Parkside Drive at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 31, 2016, with Mayor Hoffmeister presiding. The pledge of allegiance was led by Councilmember Birsan. Minutes follow in abbreviated form per Resolution 3361 and Council Minutes of September 26, 1966.

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Edi Birsan, Tim Grayson, Dan Helix, Ron Leone,
Laura Hoffmeister

STAFF PRESENT: Valerie Barone, City Manager; Susanne Brown, City
Attorney; Tim McGallian, City Treasurer; Joelle Fockler,
City Clerk; Victoria Walker, Director of Community and
Economic Development; Steve Voorhies, Director of
Parks and Recreation; Karan Reid, Director of Finance;
Robert Ovadia, City Engineer; Andrew Mogensen,
Principal Planner; Joan Ryan, Senior Planner; Afshan
Hamid, Associate Planner; Jeff Roubal, Fleet
Maintenance Manager; Jeff Rogers, Infrastructure
Manager; Leslye Asera, Community Relations Manager

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
WHO ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL: George Fulmore, Concord; Harmesh Kumar, Concord;
Kenji Yamata, Concord; Jeff Koertzn, Concord

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

George Fulmore, Concord, spoke of rent increase issues in Concord, and thanked the council for sending the rent issue to the Housing and Economic Development Committee. Mr. Fulmore also commented on park improvements throughout the City.

Dr. Harmesh Kumar, Concord, spoke of a recent Todos Santos Neighborhood meeting where a dialog was held regarding helping and supporting disabled citizens in the area.

PRESENTATIONS - None

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

CITY COUNCIL
MATTERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Grayson and seconded by Birsan to approve the minutes from the meeting of March 29, 2016. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

AWARD OF CONTRACT – Diesel Front-Mounted Riding Lawn Mower

Motion was made by Grayson and seconded by Birsan to award a contract to Mission Valley Ford Truck Sale of San Jose in the amount of \$21,572 for one diesel front-mounted riding lawn mower. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

APPROVAL OF THE CITY OF CONCORD 2016-17 INVESTMENT POLICY

This item was pulled from the agenda by staff to return at a later date.

ACCEPTING IMPROVEMENTS – Citywide Sewer Lateral Replacement Program, Project No. 2244

Motion was made by Grayson and seconded by Birsan to accept the improvements for the Citywide Sewer Lateral Replacement Program, Project No. 2244, constructed by Overmiller, Inc., dba Roto-Rooter of Concord; and direct the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

ACCEPTING IMPROVEMENTS – Citywide Bridge Repair Program – Group 1 Bridges, Project No. 2342

Motion was made by Grayson and seconded by Birsan to accept improvements for the Citywide Bridge Repair Program – Group 1 Bridges, Project No. 2342, constructed by Bay Line Cutting and Coring, Inc.; and direct the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

ACCEPTING IMPROVEMENTS – Farm Bureau Road Safe Routes to School Improvements – Willow Pass Road to Wren Avenue, Project No. 2251

This item was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Councilmember Helix.

Motion was made by Helix and seconded by Grayson to accept improvements for Farm Bureau Road Safe Routes to School Improvements – Willow Pass Road to Wren Avenue, Project No. 2251, constructed by Graniterock Construction; and direct the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion, approve construction contract change orders in the amount of \$51,208.25 and a budget transfer in the amount of \$30,000 for the construction contract, approve an amendment to the Project Management Contract with Swinerton Management & Consulting in the amount of \$18,840; and authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

DOWNTOWN CORRIDORS PLAN – Status Update

Senior Planner Joan Ryan presented a status update on the Downtown Corridors Plan, reporting that the Downtown Corridors Plan implements recommendations from the 2014 Downtown Specific Plan to design and prepare conceptual streetscape drawings and design guidelines to enhance three critical street segments along Oak, Grant and Salvio Streets within the existing public right-of-way.

Senior Planner Ryan noted that the purpose of the Project includes designing green features compatible with other ongoing projects, building on the Downtown Specific Plan's "Green Streets" concept, and serve as a model for re-design of other Downtown streets.

Ms. Ryan introduced Tim Bates, Arup, who outlined the Project's timeline, public outreach, components of the Plan, purpose of the Guidelines, how to use the Guidelines, and the Project zones.

Following questions and input by the Council, Mayor Hoffmeister opened a public comment period.

Kenji Yamata, Concord, spoke of the concept of a scrambled crosswalk which features a pedestrian only phase. He noted that Bike Concord supports a bike corral at the intersection of Grant Street and Salvio Street and adding a bike repair station in the Todos Santos area.

Jeff Koertzn, Concord, agreed with the idea of a scrambled crosswalk and suggested the designation of specific materials or colors to differentiate the use for pedestrians, bicycles, and cars.

Mayor Hoffmeister closed the public comment period. Council gave staff direction to proceed with the Plan.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON EARLY CALIFORNIA REVIEW ON 30% TODOS SANTOS DESIGN GUIDELINES – Status Update

Associate Planner Afshan Hamid presented an update on the 30% Todos Santos Design Guidelines, outlining the background of the project and requesting review and feedback on the Inner Core and Outer Core Boundaries.

Following questions and input by the Council, Mayor Hoffmeister opened a public comment period, and upon receiving no comment, closed the public comment period.

Following comments by the Council, staff was directed to proceed with the 30% Todos Santos Design Guidelines.

CORRESPONDENCE

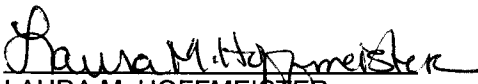
- a. Downtown Corridors Plan PowerPoint Presentation.
- b. 30% Review Todos Santos Design Guidelines PowerPoint Presentation
- c. *Perspectives on Helping Low-Income Californians Afford Housing* article submitted by Councilmember Birsan

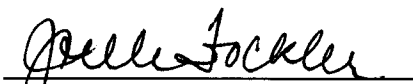
CLOSED SESSION REPORTS – None

COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS

Councilmembers shared information on events and activities in which they had participated since the last meeting and commented on items of interest.

By order of the Mayor, the meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.


LAURA M. HOFFMEISTER
MAYOR


JOELLE FOCKLER, MMC
CITY CLERK