



CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY MINUTES

July 23, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Bryant called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Roll Call found the following members present: Mendoza, Meyer, Pierson, Oerlemans, and Mayor Bryant.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Bryant led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Bryant stated there were no reportable actions from Closed Session.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Bryant opened public comments.

Paul provided comments regarding potential safety and security concerns in Brentwood.

Danny Dohrmann provided comments and concerns regarding the Bridle Gate project.

Ian Cohan provided an update on his success at the Future Business Leaders of America competition in Orlando, Florida.

Holly Bishop provided comments in support of City employees receiving fair and equitable wages and opposed Y-rating salaries.

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Bryant closed public comments.

E. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS, COMMITTEES, LIAISONS, AND STAFF

Council Member Mendoza reported on attendance at: Hometown Nights; Mountain House Incorporation Ceremony and their 1st City Council Meeting; 4th of July Parade; Land Use and Development Meeting; meeting with residents at Summerset; Budget and Debt Management Committee Meeting; Hijas del Campo's Backpack Drive & Family Day; watched the Planning Commission Meeting; and attended a Presentation from Mark Foley with Bay Area Rapid Transit.

Council Member Pierson reported on attendance at: 4th of July Parade; watched the Planning Commission Meeting; attended two Rotary Meetings;

worked on policy drafts for the Diversity Equity Belonging and Inclusion Committee; Land Use and Development Meeting; Age and Disabilities Friendly Communities Meeting. Council Member Pierson also shared that the Navy has officially exonerated the 50 sailors of the Port Chicago 50 disaster.

Council Member Oerlemans reported on attendance at: Tri Delta Transit Meeting; Hometown Nights; 4th of July Parade; City of Oakley's 25th Anniversary Celebration; Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting for Turner Insurance; Budget and Debt Management Committee Meeting; Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting for Denny's Restaurant; Farmers Market and Makers Boulevard; watched the Planning Commission Meeting; and watched the Land Use and Development Meeting.

Vice Mayor Meyer reported on attendance at: Mountain House Incorporation Ceremony and their 1st City Council Meeting; watched the Planning Commission Meeting; Mayor's Conference; 4th of July Parade; meeting with residents at Summerset; Age and Disabilities Friendly Communities Meeting; and attended a Presentation from Mark Foley with Bay Area Rapid Transit.

Mayor Bryant reported on attendance at: meeting with Contra Costa County Supervisor Diane Burgis and an international business co-op; 4th of July Parade; met with Tuskegee Airmen; presented Certificate of Recognition to the Petty family to honor their son earning the rank of Eagle Scout; Ace Hardware's 100 Year Anniversary Celebration; Tri Delta Transit Meeting; and met with 8 residents at local farmers stands.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by: Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member

Seconded by: Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor

The Council, by motion, adopted the Consent Calendar as recommended by staff.

Ayes (5): Jovita Mendoza, Council Member, Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor, Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member, Tony Oerlemans, Council Member, and Joel Bryant, Mayor

Motion Approved (5 to 0)

- F.1 Minutes of the City Council/Successor Agency meeting of June 25, 2024
- F.2 Minutes of the Special City Council meeting of June 25, 2024
- F.3 A Proclamation Recognizing Ace Hardware's 100th Anniversary
- F.4 A Proclamation Proclaiming August 2024, as Back to School Month
- F.5 Initiating and declaring the intention to order the formation of Landscape & Lighting Assessment District No. 24-1 (Hanson Lane).

Adopted Resolution 2024-77 initiating and declaring the intention to order the formation of Landscape & Lighting Assessment District No. 24-1 (Hanson Lane); declaring the intention to levy and collect assessments; and setting the date of September 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. or at such time thereafter that the matter can be heard for the Public Hearing in accordance with the provisions of the Streets and Highways Code "Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972" and California Proposition No. 218.

- F.6 Initiating and declaring the intention to order the formation of Landscape & Lighting Assessment District No. 24-2 (Trumark Trailside)

Adopted a Resolution 2024-78 initiating and declaring the intention to order the formation of Landscape & Lighting Assessment District No. 24-2 (Trumark Trailside); declaring the intention to levy and collect assessments; and setting the date of September 10, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. or at such time thereafter that the matter can be heard for the Public Hearing in accordance with the provisions of the Streets and Highways Code "Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972" and California Proposition No. 218.

- F.7 Initiating and declaring the intention to order the formation of Landscape & Lighting Assessment District No. 24-3 (Inez Estates)

Adopted Resolution 2024-79 initiating and declaring the intention to order the formation of Landscape & Lighting Assessment District No. 24-3 (Inez Estates); declaring the intention to levy and collect assessments; and setting the date of September 10, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. or at such time thereafter that the matter can be heard for the Public Hearing in accordance with the provisions of the Streets and Highways Code "Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972" and California Proposition No. 218.

- F.8 Purchase and Sale Agreement with Houser/Maggiora for utility easements to service the Innovation Center @ Brentwood.

Adopted Resolution 2024-80 approving and authorizing the City Manager, or designee, in coordination with the City Attorney, to execute an Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Easements, in substantial conformance with the attached agreement, with Melrina A. Houser, as Trustee of the Houser Family Survivor's Trust, as to an Undivided 37.5% Interest; William P. Maggiora and Joyce K. Yano-Maggiora, Husband and Wife, as Joint Tenants, as to an Undivided 37.5% Interest; and Debra R. Maggiora, a married woman as her sole and separate property as to an Undivided 25% Interest, for a portion of APNs 019-081-009 and 019-081-020, to acquire utility easements necessary for CIP Project No. 336-31695 Innovation Center @ Brentwood Infrastructure ("Project") for \$84,500, and authorizing execution of other documents as necessary to complete the right-of-way transaction.

Necessary CEQA findings will be made upon construction plan design and prior to construction.

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- G.1 An application for a Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map, Design Review, Density Bonus request, and request for associated waivers including the City's General Plan Density Transition Policy.

City Attorney, Katherine Wisinski, reported that the applicant requested a continuance of this item and confirmed in writing that this continuance would not count against the five meeting limit the City has for considering this item.

Mayor Bryant opened public comments.

Danny Dohrmann and Sinziana Todor provided comments regarding traffic mitigation as it relates to this project.

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Bryant closed public comments.

Moved by: Jovita Mendoza, Council Member

Seconded by: Tony Oerlemans, Council Member

The City Council, by motion, continued the item to a date uncertain.

Ayes (5): Jovita Mendoza, Council Member, Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor, Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member, Tony Oerlemans, Council Member, and Joel Bryant, Mayor

Motion Approved (5 to 0)

H. BUSINESS ITEMS

- H.1 Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Artist Services with Douwe Blumberg for the "Fields of Time" Public Art Spaces, CIP#337-37244

Recreation Manager, Thien Nguyen, presented the item.

Mayor Bryant opened public comments.

Rosalinda Grejsen spoke in opposition of the item moving forward with the proposed changes to the project.

Melissa van Ruiten spoke in favor of the proposed changes to the project.

Sinziana Todor spoke in opposition of the proposed changes to the project.

Marivel Mendoza spoke in favor of revising the project and provided additional suggestions.

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Bryant closed public comments.

Following the motion, the City Council recessed at 9:19 p.m. and reconvened at 9:31 p.m.

Moved by: Tony Oerlemans, Council Member

Seconded by: Jovita Mendoza, Council Member

The City Council, by motion, directed staff to proceed with option J of the artist renderings, as recommended by the Arts Commission.

Ayes (5): Jovita Mendoza, Council Member, Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor, Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member, Tony Oerlemans, Council Member, and Joel Bryant, Mayor

Motion Approved (5 to 0)

Moved by: Tony Oerlemans, Council Member

Seconded by: Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor

The City Council, by motion, 1) adopted Resolution 2024-81 approving and authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute an amendment to the agreement with Douwe Blumberg; and 2) approved amending the FY 2024/25 – 2028/29 Capital Improvement Program for the Public Art Spaces Capital Improvement Program (CIP) #337-37244 (“Project” or “Public Art Spaces Project”).

Ayes (5): Jovita Mendoza, Council Member, Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor, Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member, Tony Oerlemans, Council Member, and Joel Bryant, Mayor

Motion Approved (5 to 0)

H.2 Report on Economic Development and Innovation Center Efforts from 2022-2024

Senior Analyst, Abraham Salinas, presented the item.

Received a report from staff regarding the development of the Innovation Center and the City’s Economic Development efforts.

Mayor Bryant opened public comments.

There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Bryant closed public comments.

There was no action for the City Council to take on this item.

- H.3 Planning Commission request for the City Council to consider increasing the notification radius for public hearing items from 300 feet to 1,000 feet

Planning Manager, Erik Nolthenius, presented this item.

Mayor Bryant opened public comments.

Sinziana Todor inquired as to the timeline of the request.

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Bryant closed public comments.

Moved by: Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor

Seconded by: Jovita Mendoza, Council Member

The City Council, by motion, directed staff to proceed with amending the Brentwood Municipal Code to increase the notification radius for public hearing items from 300 feet to 1,000 feet.

Ayes (5): Jovita Mendoza, Council Member, Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor, Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member, Tony Oerlemans, Council Member, and Joel Bryant, Mayor

Motion Approved (5 to 0)

- H.4 Planning Commission request to study open space protection issues following the passage of Measure Q

Planning Manager, Erik Nolthenius, presented this item.

Mayor Bryant opened public comments.

Rod Flohr provided comments clarifying his intent behind the request.

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Bryant closed public comments.

Moved by: Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member

Seconded by: Jovita Mendoza, Council Member

The City Council, by motion, directed staff to forward this item to be considered by the Municipal Code Update Committee, with recommendations and suggestions to be heard by the Planning Commission, if necessary, and the City Council.

Ayes (5): Jovita Mendoza, Council Member, Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor, Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member, Tony Oerlemans, Council Member, and Joel Bryant, Mayor

Motion Approved (5 to 0)

H.5 Planning Commission request to study traffic and safety concerns in the vicinity of Grant Street, Adams Lane, Caper Drive, and Lone Oak Road

Planning Manager, Erik Nolthenius, presented this item.

Mayor Bryant opened public comments.

Danny Dohrmann spoke in opposition to the traffic studies if they will be conducted by the same people as previous studies.

Sinziana Todor provided comments questioning the process of this request and inquired about what it takes to implement traffic calming measures.

Rod Flohr provided clarification regarding comments made about him previously.

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Bryant closed public comments.

Moved by: Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member

Seconded by: Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor

The City Council, by motion, moved for staff to spend time and resources to provide direction regarding whether to study traffic and safety concerns in the vicinity of Grant Street, Adams Lane, Caper Drive, and Lone Oak Road, including the scope and content of what should be studied and how to proceed with staff recommendations.

Ayes (4): Jovita Mendoza, Council Member, Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor, Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member, and Joel Bryant, Mayor

Noes (1): Tony Oerlemans, Council Member

Motion Approved (4 to 1)

I. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - NEW REQUEST(S)

There were no new requests for future agenda items.

J. REQUESTED FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)

J.1 A Request from Vice Mayor Meyer and Council Member Mendoza to discuss requiring that media outlets used by the City be held to the Society of Professional Journalists Code of Ethics

Mayor Bryant opened public comments.

Melissa van Ruiten, Danny Dohrmann, Ian Cohen, Carolina Villaseca, Rod Flohr, Nicole Xavier, Sinziana Todor and Tony Aguilar spoke in favor of the item.

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Bryant closed public comments.

The item was withdrawn by the requesters pending its movement to the Diversity Equity Belonging and Inclusion Committee.

- J.2 A Request from Council Member Pierson to change the Age and Disabilities Friendly Communities Committee, and the Diversity, Equity, Belonging and Inclusion Committee, from ad-hoc to standing committees.

Council Member Pierson presented the item.

Mayor Bryant opened public comments.

Melissa van Ruiten spoke in favor of bringing this item forward.

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Bryant closed public comments.

Moved by: Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member

Seconded by: Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor

The City Council, by motion, moved to change the Age and Disabilities Friendly Communities Committee, and the Diversity, Equity, Belonging and Inclusion Committee from ad-hoc to standing committees, and thus subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act, effective January 1, 2025.

Ayes (5): Jovita Mendoza, Council Member, Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor, Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member, Tony Oerlemans, Council Member, and Joel Bryant, Mayor

Motion Approved (5 to 0)

K. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Pierson initiated a moment of silence in honor of Brentwood resident, Ruben de Silva, owner of Rubiano's Restaurant.

Moved by: Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor

Seconded by: Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member

The Council, by motion, moved to adjourn at 11:41 p.m. in honor of the exoneration of the Port Chicago 50.

Ayes (5): Jovita Mendoza, Council Member, Susannah Meyer, Vice Mayor, Pa'tanisha Pierson, Council Member, Tony Oerlemans, Council Member, and Joel Bryant, Mayor

Motion Approved (5 to 0)