



**CITY OF FAIRFIELD CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2020; 6:00 PM
FAIRFIELD-SUISUN UNIFIED SCHOOL
DISTRICT, 2490 HILBORN ROAD,
FAIRFIELD CA 94534**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Mayor Pam Bertani called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

On roll call were Councilmembers Catherine Moy by telephone, Chuck Timm, and Rick Vaccaro; and Vice-Mayor Pam Bertani. Mayor Harry T. Price was absent.

INVOCATION

Worship Pastor Jeff Hood of First Baptist Church gave an invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Vaccaro led the Pledge of Allegiance.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Timm sadly reported that former City Manager B. Gale Wilson died September 1 and spoke about his amazing legacy. B. Gale is considered the “architect of Fairfield” for the many projects he accomplished during his long tenure with the City, such as the annexation of Travis Air Force Base, building of the Solano Mall, preservation of Rockville Hills Regional Park, and convincing Anheuser-Busch and Jelly Belly to build their factories in Fairfield. He thanked first responders and staff who assisted with the evacuations due to the LNU Fire and those who staffed the Emergency Operation Center. Lastly, he extended his sympathies to those people who lost everything in the fires.

Councilmember Moy shared that she and her family were mourning the death of B. Gale Wilson, as she spent a lot of time at the Wilson home while growing up, as she attended school with one of his daughters. She called him the “Father of Fairfield.” Next, she shared that she missed Matt Garcia and thinks of his potential and where he would be today if his life had not been senselessly cut short. Lastly, she reported she would be speaking at the Leaders of Men, Inc. Mentoring in the Park Picnic event at Allan Witt Park on September 5 at noon.

Councilmember Vaccaro spoke of his friend and former student, Fairfield Councilmember Matt Garcia, on the 12th anniversary of when he was killed. He

reported that Matt was the youngest Councilmember at age 21 in California to be elected at that time. Councilmember Vaccaro said when Matt was killed the City lost its heart and soul. He stated that Matt's family asked that he be appointed to his Council seat in 2008 to finish his term, which he said was an honor and a privilege.

Vice-Mayor Bertani stated she agreed wholeheartedly with the sentiments of her colleagues regarding B. Gale Wilson and Matt Garcia. She thanked Dawn La Bar of the City Manager's Office, staff, and participants of her virtual town hall meeting on homelessness on August 29.

She stated a lot of creative ideas were discussed and she promised to share those at a future retreat on homelessness. She thanked all public safety workers for their valiant efforts during the recent LNU Fire and subsequent evacuations. Lastly, she reported she would hold another virtual town hall meeting on September 12 that will address several topics of interest to residents.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Assistant City Manager David Gassaway thanked the first responders during the recent LNU Fire and staff who worked the Emergency Operation Center. He stated that it was his first emergency with the City and he was incredibly impressed and proud of how well everyone worked together and the high level of communication that was maintained. He called the EOC "a well-oiled machine!" Lastly, he reported the Small Business Grant Program closed on August 28 and that 500 applications were received, of which 319 were eligible. After a lottery was conducted, 73 local small businesses were selected to receive funds to directly assist them during the COVID-19 pandemic.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney Greg Stepanicich had no report.

CITY CLERK REPORT

City Clerk Rees thanked Pastor Jeff Hood of First Baptist Church for his adoption of a section of Travis Blvd. and for the large cleanup his church conducted on August 22. She thanked Tony Wade for his article in the Daily Republic regarding the Adopt-A-Street program and his adoption and cleanup of Davis Drive.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Vice-Mayor Bertani read a Proclamation recognizing the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment - Women's Right to Vote.
2. Fire Battalion Chief John Sturdee presented a Nixle update.

Nora Dizon spoke about Nixle updates.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Geonn McDougald spoke about Census 2020 and encouraged everyone to participate.

George Guynn and Edward Russel, Jr. voiced concerns about the new police chief.

Carl Sciortino thanked emergency workers for the fast response during the recent fires.

Mari Bowie voiced concern about the new police chief and stated there was confusion regarding the location(s) of evacuation centers during the recent fires.

Raymond Courtemanche spoke about his stepson, former Councilmember Matt Garcia, and thanked Mayor Price for making it “Matt Garcia Day” in the city of Fairfield.

Kam Holzendorf spoke about Fairfield Change’s role in helping those in need at evacuation centers during recent fires.

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes - May 19, 2020; June 9, 2020; June 16, 2020; July 7, 2020; July 21, 2020; and August 4, 2020

4. Resolution 2020-176 of the City Council of the City of Fairfield Approving the Response to the 2019-2020 Solano County Grand Jury Report Entitled, “Registry of Public Agencies Filing Process”

5. Resolution 2020-177 of the City Council of the City of Fairfield Authorizing Submittal of a Request for Lifeline Transportation Program Cycle 6 Funding to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)

6. Resolution 2020-178 of the City Council of the City of Fairfield Accepting the Landscape Improvements for the Green Valley Subdivision as Complete

7. Resolution 2020-179 of the City Council of the City of Fairfield Approving a Consultant Services Agreement between the City of Fairfield and Chabin Concepts, Inc. for the Preparation of an Economic Development Strategic Plan and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Such Agreement and Amendments Thereto

Councilmember Vaccaro made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Councilmember Timm seconded the motion. By a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Director of Human Resources Farbod Pirouzmand recommended to Council that it adopt Resolution 2020-180 of the City Council of the City of Fairfield Approving a

Consultant Services Agreement with Bob Murray & Associates for the Director of Parks and Recreation Recruitment.

Councilmember Timm made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-180. Councilmember Vaccaro seconded the motion. By a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

9. Director of Finance Emily Combs recommended to Council that it approve Resolution 2020-181 of the City Council of the City of Fairfield Approving a Technology Software-As-A-Service (SaaS) Agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. for an Enterprise Resource Planning Software System.

Councilmember Timm made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-181. Councilmember Vaccaro seconded the motion. By a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. Senior Planner Amy Kreimeier recommended to Council that it open the Public Hearing; and adopt the First Reading and Introduction of Ordinance 2020-17 of the City Council of the City of Fairfield temporarily prohibiting the rezoning of territory located outside the City of Fairfield Boundaries until a new General Plan has been adopted.

Vice-Mayor Bertani opened the public hearing.

Duane Kromm, Kevin Riley, and Trent Sanson spoke on item 10.

Vice-Mayor Bertani closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Moy made a motion to waive further reading of Ordinance 2020-17, read by

title only, and introduce the ordinance for first reading with a change to Section 3 that reads as follows, "The prohibition of Section 2 above shall not apply to any applications for pre-zoning that were filed prior to September 2, 2020." Councilmember Vaccaro seconded the motion. By a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:34 P.M. IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF B. GALE WILSON AND MATT GARCIA TO TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2020, 6:00 P.M., FAIRFIELD-SUISUN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, 2490 HILBORN ROAD, FAIRFIELD.

City Clerk

Mayor