

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
INCLUDING THE ANTIOCH CITY COUNCIL
ACTING AS HOUSING SUCCESSOR
TO THE ANTIOCH DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

Special/Regular Meeting
5:30 P.M.

March 23, 2021
Meeting Conducted Remotely

The City of Antioch, in response to the Executive Order of the Governor and the Order of the Health Officer of Contra Costa County concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), held Antioch City Council meetings via Comcast channel 24, AT&T U-verse channel 99, and live stream (at www.antiochca.gov). The City Council meeting was conducted utilizing Zoom Audio/Video Technology.

Written public comments were received by 3:30 p.m. the day of the Council Meeting in the following ways: (1) Filled out an online speaker card, located at https://www.antiochca.gov/speaker_card, or (2) Emailed the City Clerk's Department at cityclerk@ci.antioch.ca.us. Oral public comments received during the meeting were received by registering in advance to access the meeting via Zoom Webinar: <https://www.antiochca.gov/speakers> or by dialing (925) 776-3057.

4:45 P.M. - CLOSED SESSION

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION** pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9: Oak Hill Park Company v. The City of Antioch, et al. Contra Costa County Superior Court Case No. N21-0048.
2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – PENDING LITIGATION** pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9: Miguel Minjares vs. the City of Antioch, United States District Court Northern District of California.

Mayor Thorpe called the meeting to order at 5:31 P.M., and City Clerk Householder called the roll.

Present: Council/Agency Members District 2 Barbanica, District 3 Ogorchock, Mayor Pro Tem (District 4) Wilson and Mayor Thorpe
Absent: Council/Agency Member District 1 Torres-Walker (arrived at 5:32 P.M.)

STUDY SESSION

1. FISCAL YEAR 2021-23 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT

City Manager Bernal introduced the Budget Study Session Agenda Item #1.

Finance Director Merchant presented the staff report dated March 23, 2021 recommending the City Council provide feedback and direction regarding the Budget Development information

provided for the Fiscal Year 2021-23 Budget. She clarified that there was an error in the report page 7 (b) and it should indicate that “In FY 22 and 23 the Abatement Team is included in the Public Works staffing allocation.”

In response to Mayor Thorpe, Finance Director Merchant explained the Budgeted Funds Allocation for Recreation – Youth Network.

Finance Director Merchant clarified that there was an error on page 12 in the table under Finance which should read “Total Finance” not “Total Police”.

Finance Director Merchant reviewed the Draft Budget Sheets by Department where the following items were discussed.

City Manager 100-1130

Finance Director Merchant reported that the City of Antioch would be receiving approximately \$20M from the Economic Stimulus Package and once they received guidelines it would be brought back to the City Council for their evaluation on the use of the funds.

Public Works Park Median/General Landscape Maintenance (100-2196)

In response to Mayor Thorpe, Finance Director Merchant explained that the variance from the 2020-21 Revised \$630,877 to 2021-22 Proposed \$351,000 was partially due to \$100,000 in additional median work in FY21. Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson added that there were roll over funds from previous years where they had not accomplished all the work.

Police Community Policing (100-3150)

Finance Director Merchant explained that the Taxes – Measure C 2020-21 Revised would be increasing approximately \$15,000.

In response to Mayor Thorpe, Finance Director Merchant explained that cannabis revenues were in the non-departmental fund. She noted the two Community Facilities Districts for police protection were in a special revenue fund and would come in as a transfer-in to the Antioch Police Department (APD) budget. She further noted the City received supplemental law enforcement services funding from the state which was transferred into the General Fund.

General Fund Projections 3.23.21

In response to Mayor Thorpe, Finance Director Merchant explained that the City did not need to use the budget stabilization fund in FY 2019-20 because revenues were better than projected. She noted typically the City was conservative in their projections and she would continue looking at the current year’s numbers to get accurate projections for Council.

Mayor Thorpe thanked Finance Director Merchant for the presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Due to the amount of speaker requests and in consultation with City Clerk Householder and the City Council, Mayor Thorpe reduced speaker times to one-minute.

The following public comments were read into the record by Administrative Services Director Mastay.

Taylor Sims, Lift Up Contra Costa, Elsie Mills, Showing Up for Racial Justice Contra Costa (SURJ) and Ali Saidi provided written comment requesting the Council invest in community programs and provide for community input into the budget process.

Angelica Tripp, Antioch resident, provided written comment in support of funding non-police crisis intervention.

Francisco Torres, Pittsburg resident, provided written comment requesting Council invest in community programs.

Barbara Pennington, Friends of Scott, Alexis and Taun Hall, provided written comment requesting Council provide for community input into the budget process and align with the County for non-police mental health crisis response.

The following public comment were made by individuals utilizing Zoom Audio/Video Technology.

Hector Malvido representing Ensuring Opportunity Campaign in Contra Costa and Reimagine Public Safety requested the Council provide for community input into the budget process.

Taun Hall discussed the loss of her son and others during a mental health crisis. She spoke in support of Antioch working with the Contra Costa County non-police response program.

MV Watson, National Union of Health Care Workers, spoke in support of the City Council prioritizing mental health programs in their budget discussions.

Joshua Anijar, Contra Costa Central Labor Council, spoke in support of the City Council investing in resources for non-police crisis intervention and opposed the funding of military equipment or cameras at intersections. He requested Council provide for community input into the budget process.

Ice Axe spoke in support of diverting funds for encrypting police transmissions to pay for crisis services.

Mayor Thorpe stated that this Budget Study Session was agendized to get a baseline understanding of revenues and expenditures. He encouraged Council to take under consideration new position requests as well as the discussions pertaining to mental health and

homeless services. He stated that if Council wanted to hold forums within their districts to discuss the budget and citizen priorities, he would encourage them to do so.

Councilmember Thorpe declared a recess at 7:03 P.M. The Special meeting reconvened at 7:09 P.M. with all Councilmembers present.

ADJOURNMENT OF SPECIAL MEETING/STUDY SESSION

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adjourned the Study Session at 7:10 P.M.

Mayor Thorpe called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M., and City Clerk Householder called the roll.

Present: Council/Agency Members District 1 Torres-Walker, District 2 Barbanica, District 3 Ogorchock, Mayor Pro Tem (District 4) Wilson and Mayor Thorpe

City Attorney Smith reported the City Council had been in Closed Session and gave the following report: **#1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**, no reportable action; and **#2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – PENDING LITIGATION**, no reportable action.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Barbanica led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CIVIC AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Councilmember Ogorchock announced the following events:

- Family Justice Center Farmers Market on Lone Tree Way
- Contra Costa County vaccinations available on the County's website for individuals 50+

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF BOARD AND COMMISSION OPENINGS

City Clerk Householder announced the following Board and Commission openings:

- Economic Development Commission: Two (2) vacancies; deadline date is March 26, 2021
- Board of Administrative Appeals: Five (5) vacancies and One (1) Alternate vacancy: deadline date is April 16, 2021

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Due to the amount of speaker requests and in consultation with City Clerk Householder, Mayor Thorpe reduced speaker times to one-minute.

The following public comments were read into the record by Administrative Services Director Mastay.

Melissa provided written comment stating that she was homeless and unable to find shelter.

Nancy L. Rowland, Antioch resident, provided written comment expressing concern regarding public health issues resulting from residents not cleaning up after their animals.

Donna Salazar provided written comment expressing concern regarding comments made by Councilmember Torres-Walker on social media as well as her reaction to public comments during a Council meeting.

Kevin Booker provided written comment requesting the City Council and City Manager Bernal begin an ethics investigation to address Mayor Thorpe's actions.

Anon provided written comment expressing concern regarding Officer Blumberg.

Laura Young provided written comment expressing concern for Mayor Thorpe's actions during Council meetings.

Caitlin Pambid Angelica Ortez, Brenda Lovo and Genevieve Simmons, Antioch residents, Anonymous, Anonymous, Dylan McCombs, Ridgewood resident, Rin Boegel, Walnut Creek resident, Erica Hruby, Oakland resident, and Lexie Schoonover, Pleasant Hill resident, provided written comment requesting Officer Blumberg be terminated from the APD.

Michael Dryere provided written comment expressing concern that those involved in ballot harvesting were making policy for the APD.

Yvette Bryson, Oakley resident, provided written comment in support of replacing Councilmembers who support defunding the police and condone criminal behavior.

Maileen Mamaradlo, Pittsburg resident, provided written comment in support of Angelo Quinto and his family.

Cara Graham provided written comment requesting Mayor Thorpe apologize to Jackie Hooke for his response to her public comment.

Aaron Gozum, Bay Area resident representing Malaya Movement provided written comment in support of police reforms and calling for a ban on the use of the knee-to-neck restraints along with any hold that may cause asphyxiation.

Anonymous, Antioch resident, provided written comment expressing concern regarding comments made by Councilmember Torres-Walker on social media. They requested she recuse herself from any items pertaining to the police and stop associating with District Attorney Becton who would be deciding on pending charges against her children.

Bill Buhlman provided written comment in support the APD and encouraging Council to be an example for the City.

Kara Piepmeyer provided written comment in support of Angelo Quinto and banning knee to neck restraints as well as any hold that may cause asphyxiation.

Darby Osnaya provided written comment in support of police reform and establishing a Mental Health Crisis Response Team in Antioch.

Sal Sbranti provided written comment expressing concern that Mayor Thorpe had politicized issues.

Charles Kuslets, Antioch resident, provided written comment thanking the City Council for approving dashboard and body-worn cameras for the APD. He recommended Council reconsider adding tasers to the program.

Jim Lanter, Antioch resident, provided written comment expressing concern for Mayor Thorpe's response to public comment at a previous Council meeting.

Leah Fillingim-Selk, provided written comment in support of Angelo Quinto and police reforms including the establishment of a Mental Health Response Team and a ban on knee to neck restraints.

Allison Norris provided written comment expressing concern for comments made by Councilmembers about Jackie Hooke and the APD.

The following public comment was made by an individual utilizing Zoom Audio/Video Technology.

Diana Collins Puente thanked everyone who attended the candlelight vigil for Angelo Quinto as well as those who offered their condolences. She spoke in support of police reform and banning the use of knee to neck restraints.

Patricia Granados voiced her support for the Quinto family and police reforms.

MV Watson spoke in support freedom of speech and Councilmember Torres-Walker.

Ali Saidi expressed concern regarding racist comments made about Councilmembers and encouraged them to work together to develop solutions for Antioch.

Cassandra Quinto Collins thanked Council for their approval of body-worn and dashboard cameras. She urged the City to ban the use of knee to neck restraints.

Robert Collins thanked Council for their approval of body-worn and dashboard cameras. He urged the City to ban the use of knee to neck restraints and support additional police reform items. He suggested commentors be aware of comments that appeared to be racial.

Isabella Collins spoke in support of improving non-police resources, banning knee to neck restraints and increasing accountability/transparency.

Keefe Ismael, Union City resident, spoke in support of Angelo Quinto, his family and police reform including banning the use of knee to neck restraints.

Gigi Crowder, Executive Director of NAMI Contra Costa County and O.G Strogatz, Walnut Creek resident, spoke in support of the Miles Hall foundation and Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ), urged the City to align with the County for a 24/7 Mental Health Crisis Team.

Joshua Anijar, Contra Costa Central Labor Council, expressed concern regarding racist comments made about Councilmembers.

Juan Carlos Collins encouraged everyone to be more civilized and spoke in support of police reform as well as banning the use of knee to neck restraints.

Shagoofa Khan requested Officer Blumberg be terminated from the APD.

Hector Malvido urged people to call out racist comments and spoke in support of police reforms.

Frank Sterling spoke in support of the APD using their current budget to fund body cameras. He urged Council to stand up against racial comments and spoke in support of police reforms.

COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Torres-Walker reported on her attendance at the CDBG committee meeting, a meeting on violence prevention strategies as well as a meeting with community members regarding violence prevention.

Councilmember Barbanica stated he looked forward to working with Councilmember Torres-Walker on the CDBG committee.

Councilmember Wilson announced that Tri Delta Transit would be meeting on March 24, 2021 and Delta Diablo would be meeting March 25, 2021.

Mayor Thorpe reported on his attendance at CCTA meeting. He announced that he would be attending the Tri Delta Transit meeting on March 24, 2021 and the Transitional Housing Ad Hoc Committee next week. He also reported on his participation in the Town Hall meeting at

Williamson Ranch Plaza. He stated he would attempt to partner with all Councilmembers to hold district specific community events at local parks. He noted he had also attended a meeting on violence prevention strategies.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

Mayor Thorpe announced that he would be advancing an ad hoc committee to work on community lead gun violence solutions and a resolution in support of measures to protect people from gun violence. He offered thoughts and prayers to the victims of gun violence.

3. PRESENTATION

Committee Member Williams introduced Sales Tax Citizens’ Oversight Committee members. Committee Members Williams and Svyatets and gave a PowerPoint Sales Tax Citizens’ Oversight Committee 7th Annual Report for FY ending June 30, 2020.

Councilmember Ogorchock thanked the Sales Tax Citizens’ Oversight Committee for the presentation.

Mayor Thorpe thanked the Sales Tax Citizens’ Oversight Committee for their service.

Frank Sterling thanked the Sales Tax Citizens’ Oversight Committee for the presentation and spoke in support of community input into City’s processes.

- 4. CONSENT CALENDAR for City /City Council Members acting as Housing Successor to the Antioch Development Agency**
- A. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 12, 2021**
- B. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 13, 2021**
- C. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 16, 2021**
- D. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 23, 2021**
- E. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 26, 2021**
- F. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES FOR MARCH 9, 2021**
- G. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL WARRANTS**
- H. APPROVAL OF HOUSING SUCCESSOR WARRANTS**
- I. APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2021**

- J. **RESOLUTION NO. 2021/41 CITY-OWNED SURPLUS PROPERTY LIST**
- K. **2020 ANNUAL HOUSING ELEMENT PROGRESS REPORT, HOUSING SUCCESSOR ANNUAL REPORT AND PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE GENERAL PLAN**
- L. **RESOLUTION NO. 2021/42 THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH THE GUALCO GROUP, INC.**
- M. **RESOLUTION NO. 2021/43 ACCEPTING COMPLETED IMPROVEMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A DEFERRED IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE OF BONDS FOR HIDDEN GLEN UNIT 4 SUBDIVISION 8388 (P.W. 557-4) (ARCADIA DEVELOPMENT COMPANY)**
- N. **RESOLUTION NO. 2021/44 APPROVING THE REVISED FINAL MAP FOR PROMENADE VINEYARDS AT SAND CREEK SUBDIVISION PHASES 1-3 SUBDIVISION 9560, 9561, AND 9562 (P.W. 697)**
- O. **RESOLUTION NO. 2021/45 APPROVING THE FINAL MAP AND SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT FOR AVIANO PHASE 3 SUBDIVISION 9489 (P.W. 676-3)**
- P. **RESOLUTION NO. 2021/46 CONSIDERATION OF BIDS FOR FIREBREAK AND DISKING BID NO. 988-0225-21A AWARD**
- Q. **RESOLUTION NO. 2021/47 PURCHASE OF NEW FURNITURE FOR THE CITY HALL INTERIOR MODIFICATIONS (P.W. 247-S)**

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica, the City Council unanimously approved the Council Consent Calendar with the exception of items N and O, which were removed for further discussion.

Item N – Councilmember Barbanica requested clarification regarding this agenda item.

Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson explained that the item before Council this evening was a modification to the map to reduce the right of way width of the private roads. He clarified that lot sizes were not being modified.

On motion by Councilmember Barbanica, seconded by Councilmember Ogorchock the City Council unanimously approved Consent Calendar Item N.

Item O – Councilmember Barbanica requested clarification regarding this agenda item.

Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson explained that this final map was in compliance with the vesting tentative map and there were no changes to previous approvals.

On motion by Councilmember Barbanica, seconded by Councilmember Ogorchock the City Council unanimously approved Consent Calendar Item O.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. DUCKY'S CAR WASH (UP-19-08, AR-19-15)

Director of Community Development Ebbs introduced Associate Planner Scudero who presented the staff report dated March 23, 2021 recommending the City Council take the following actions: 1) Adopt the resolution approving the Ducky's Car Wash CEQA Addendum. 2) Adopt the resolution approving a Final Development Plan, Use Permit, and Design Review subject to conditions of approval (UP-19-08, AR-19-15).

Mayor Thorpe opened the public hearing.

Richard Miller, Applicant and Owner of Ducky's Car Wash, thanked City Council, Planning Staff and Planning Commission for reviewing their application. He reported that this was a family-owned business, and this would be their tenth Car Wash in the Bay Area. He stated they had renderings available this evening. He discussed their focus on being positive community participants.

Mayor Thorpe closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Ogorchock spoke in support of the project and stated she hoped to have more of this type of development in the future. She requested Mr. Miller investigate the Brentwood flex-serve Car Wash model.

Mr. Miller responded that they would have the flexibility to offer the flex-serve based on customer demand.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/48

On motion by Councilmember Barbanica, seconded by Councilmember Ogorchock the City Council unanimously adopted the resolution approving the Ducky's Car Wash CEQA Addendum.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/49

On motion by Councilmember Barbanica, seconded by Councilmember Ogorchock the City Council unanimously adopted the resolution approving a Final Development Plan, Use Permit, and Design Review subject to conditions of approval (UP-19-08, AR-19-15).

6. CREEKSIDE/VINEYARDS AT SAND CREEK PROJECT (GP-19-06, PD-19-02)

Director of Community Development Ebbs introduced Contract Planner Gnos who presented the staff report dated March 23, 2021 recommending the City Council take the following actions: 1)

Adopt the resolution certifying the Creekside/Vineyards at Sand Creek Project Environmental Impact Report, adopting findings of fact and statement of overriding considerations, and adopting the mitigation monitoring and reporting program; 2) Adopt the resolution approving a General Plan Amendment for purposes of amending the City of Antioch General Plan Text and Land Use Map (GP-19-06); 3) Introduce the Ordinance rezoning the property to Planned Development District and adopting the development standards (PD-19-02); and 4) Adopt the resolution approving a Vesting Tentative Map, Design Review adopting Design Guidelines, and a Resource Management Plan.

Mayor Thorpe opened the public hearing.

Matt Beinke representing the Creekside/Vineyards at Sand Creek Project thanked staff for reviewing their application and gave a brief history of the project. He stated he was available to answer any questions this evening.

The following public comments were read into the record by City Clerk Householder.

Johnny Unpingco, Antioch resident, Mousaab Atassi, Donald Freitas and Derek Cole Assistant Business Manager, IBEW Local 302, provided written comment in support of the Creekside/Vineyards at Sand Creek Project.

Lisa Borba representing GBN Partners provided a letter that was sent to the City Council regarding this agenda item.

The following public comment was made by an individual utilizing Zoom Audio/Video Technology.

Thomas Lawson Business Manager of Plumbers and Steamfitters Local #159 spoke in support of the Creekside/Vineyards at Sand Creek Project.

Mayor Thorpe closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Torres-Walker thanked Mr. Beinke for the presentation and stated she would like to review the Project Labor Agreement for this project.

Director of Community Development Ebbs explained that the Project Labor Agreement was outside the scope of staff's analysis of the project.

Mr. Beinke added that because time was limited the project labor agreement was not part of the presentation. He stated he would circle back to those involved to provide a report to Council. He reported that the apprenticeship program was significant, and he believed it involved both Deer Valley and Antioch High Schools.

Councilmember Torres-Walker stated she felt it was important to understand how many jobs would be for people within the community.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/50

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adopted the resolution certifying the Creekside/Vineyards at Sand Creek Project Environmental Impact Report, adopting findings of fact and statement of overriding considerations, and adopting the mitigation monitoring and reporting program.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/51

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adopted the resolution approving a General Plan Amendment for purposes of amending the City of Antioch General Plan Text and Land Use Map (GP-19-06).

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously introduced the Ordinance rezoning the property to Planned Development District and adopting the development standards (PD-19-02).

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/52

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adopted the resolution approving a Vesting Tentative Map, Design Review adopting Design Guidelines, and a Resource Management Plan.

COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA

7. CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY HOUSING AGENCY (CALCHA) MIDDLE-INCOME RENTAL HOUSING PROGRAM MEMBERSHIP

Director of Community Development Ebbs presented the staff report dated March 23, 2021 recommending the City Council adopt the resolution authorizing the City to become an Additional Member of the California Community Housing Agency (“CalCHA”); supporting CalCHA’s issuance of tax-exempt bonds for the production, preservation, and protection of essential middle-income rental housing; and authorizing the City Manager to enter into purchase option agreements with CalCHA for essential middle-income rental housing created within City limits.

In response to Councilmember Ogorchock, Director of Community Development Ebbs explained that if this item were approved, existing tenants would not be required to vacate the property. He noted it was not until they electively left that they would be replaced with a household that met income requirements.

Councilmember Ogorchock spoke in support of the program and expressed concern that residents with disabilities may be required to move out once bonds were settled.

Jordan Moss thanked Council for their consideration of this item and explained that control of assets would be granted to the City of Antioch.

In response to Councilmember Wilson, Director of Community Development Ebbs stated the City would have equal standing as all other members of the JPA.

In response to Councilmember Barbanica, Jordan Moss explained that the agreement was such that it divided the property into thirds, low income, median-income, and moderate income. He stated if they were maxed out at any level, once there was a vacancy, they would backfill with people on a waiting list.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/53

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adopted the resolution authorizing the City to become an Additional Member of the California Community Housing Agency ("CalCHA"); supporting CalCHA's issuance of tax-exempt bonds for the production, preservation, and protection of essential middle-income rental housing; and authorizing the City Manager to enter into purchase option agreements with CalCHA for essential middle-income rental housing created within City limits.

Mayor Thorpe declared a recess at 9:16 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 9:23 P.M. with all Councilmembers present.

8. POLICE REFORM – FINAL REPORT FOR BRIDGING THE GAP VIRTUAL ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore and Hildy Saizow CNA Center for Justice Research and Innovation presented the staff report dated March 23, 2021 recommending the City Council adopt a resolution formally accepting the Final Report for Bridging the Gap: Virtual Roundtable Discussions on Racial Injustice and Police-Community Relations.

The following public comments were made by individuals utilizing Zoom Audio/Video Technology.

Patricia Granadas thanked the City Council for holding the Bridging the Gap discussions and encouraged more community participation in future conversations.

Hector Malvido thanked the City Council for the Bridging the Gap discussions and encouraged more conversation related to community input and oversight of policing.

Franks Sterling reported that he had participated and was supportive of the recommendations.

The following public comments were read into the record by City Clerk Householder.

Laura Young provided written comment discussing comments made by Mayor Thorpe at a Council meeting.

John Daniels, Antioch resident, provided written comment discussing the recommendation to build trust between youth and the APD following Council's action to not move forward with the SRO program.

Cera Hensley, provided written comment in support of the banning of knee to neck restraints and the acquisition of military equipment as well as the establishment of a Mental Health Crisis Response Team. She also supported Council adopting the resolution to accept the Final Report for the Bridging the Gap discussions.

Sal Sbranti stated he had attempted to participate in all the discussions; however, he was only allowed to participate in the February 5, 2021 meeting. He expressed concern that the APD were not allowed to participate in the process and that the recommendations were not based on data.

Amy Hilton, Antioch resident, provided written comment in opposition to accepting the Final Report for the Bridging the Gap discussions noting that the recommendations were not related to improving the relationship between law enforcement and the community.

Mayor Thorpe stated that there were areas within recommendations that would fit in with their efforts to increase transparency. He reported that Council would be discussing the formation of a Police Oversight Committee. He thanked the consultant for facilitating the process.

Councilmember Barbanica reported he had attempted to attend a private session with the consultant to discuss the process; however, in doing so he discovered that he was in another city's meeting. He noted during his second attempt he had discussed his support of law enforcement and their response was not receptive. He stated he supported transparency; however, this report did not accurately reflect community input and it was such a small sample of the community that he did not know how they could change an organization based on the information provided.

Councilmember Torres-Walker thanked Ms. Saizow for facilitating the discussions and acknowledged former Mayor Wright and Councilmember Motts who approved the process. She reported that during initial discussions, it was brought up that the APD would most likely not participate some people would feel they could be transparent in their experiences. She commented that data was provided by the APD. She explained that she had also received feedback from people who felt the report out from the groups was insufficient. She stated that she did not feel there was enough participation from people of color and voiced her support for moving some of the recommendations forward.

Councilmember Ogorchock stated that she felt the APD should have been allowed to report on their current processes. She highlighted that in all three sessions only 114 people participated, and several sessions were attended by the same people. She commented that if there had been a conversation with Chief Brooks, the community would have been aware of the APD's community engagement efforts. She noted that youth engagement could have been accomplished with SROs; however, Council did not fund that program. She thanked Ms. Saizow

for facilitating the process and stated she did not agree with the Final Report. She stated that she looked forward to advancing items that could be accomplished.

Councilmember Wilson stated she was disappointed in the attendance at the sessions and reported that the same two people attended two of her groups. She commented that the report out from the person facilitating her group was also inaccurate. She stated there was good information provided regarding items that the City should addressing.

Councilmember Barbanica stated that there were some items that the City could improve upon; however, he did not agree with all the recommendations. He stated he had reached out to City Manager Bernal, Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore and the consultant to inform them that he did not agree with prohibiting the Antioch Police Department's participation.

Mayor Thorpe stated that hopefully the information within the report would add value to discussions moving forward with police reform.

Councilmember Ogorchock reiterated that she did not agree with the outcome of the report.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/54

On motion by Councilmember Torres-Walker, seconded by Councilmember Wilson adopted a resolution formally accepting the Final Report for Bridging the Gap: Virtual Roundtable Discussions on Racial Injustice and Police-Community Relations.

Ayes: Torres-Walker, Wilson, Thorpe

Noes: Barbanica, Ogorchock

9. POLICE REFORM – CITY ACCEPTANCE AND/OR ACQUISITION OF SURPLUS MILITARY EQUIPMENT

Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore presented the staff report dated March 23, 2021 recommending the City Council adopt a resolution regarding the City of Antioch's Ban on the Acceptance and/or Acquisition of Surplus Military Equipment in the future.

At 10:07 P.M. Mayor Thorpe stated he would check with Council at 11:00 P.M. to determine if they wanted to continue with the remainder of the agenda this evening.

The following public comment was made by an individual utilizing Zoom Audio/Video Technology.

Patricia Granados, Hector Malvido, Robert Collins, Diana Collins Puente, Joshua Anijar, Central Labor Council of Contra Costa County, Stephania, Juan Carlos Collins and Isabella Collins spoke in support of the Council adopting the resolution regarding the City's ban on the acceptance and/or acquisition of surplus military equipment.

The following public comments were read into the record by City Clerk Householder.

Dallas Easterday, Antioch resident, Gina Lingengfelter, Antioch resident, Sal Sbranti, Luis Morales, Dana Evans, Antioch resident, Mark Evans, Antioch resident, Marchelle Johnson, Antioch resident, Linda Riley, Antioch resident, Sharon Maynard, Antioch resident, Sandra Hartrick, Antioch resident, Robert Heiney, Antioch resident, Tobias Jensen, Antioch resident, Monica Ambriz-Misquez, Antioch resident, Amy Hilton, Antioch resident and Laura Matejcek, provided written comment opposing Council adopting the resolution regarding the City's ban on the acceptance and/or acquisition of surplus military equipment.

Elsie Mills, Showing Up for Racial Justice Contra Costa County, Taylor Sims, Lisa Gregory, Antioch resident, Angelica Tripp, Ali Saidi and Dana Morales provided written comment in support of the Council adopting the resolution regarding the City's ban on the acceptance and/or acquisition of surplus military equipment.

The following public comment was made by an individual utilizing Zoom Audio/Video Technology.

Frank Sterling spoke in support of the Council adopting the resolution regarding the City's ban on the acceptance and/or acquisition of surplus military equipment.

A motion was made by Councilmember Torres-Walker, seconded by Councilmember Wilson to adopt a resolution regarding the City of Antioch's Ban on the Acceptance and/or Acquisition of Surplus Military Equipment in the future.

Speaking to the previous motion, Councilmember Barbanica reported that this equipment was free to the City and could not be sold. He explained that through this program the City had acquired safety equipment including a robot to facilitate negotiations with someone in crisis, vehicle safety items, sights for rifles, first aid kits and range finders. He noted this resolution would take the ability for Chief Brooks and future Chiefs to make decisions to the keep APD and the community safe, which he believed would be a mistake.

Councilmember Ogorchock suggested the Council determine necessity on a case-by-case basis.

Councilmember Torres-Walker stated that this item was related to equipment that could be obtained in the future. She noted noted if the City were meeting the needs of the community, they would not need a militarized police force.

Mayor Thorpe stated the APD was not trained with military equipment and he believed they could do their jobs without it.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/55

A vote taken on the previous motion to adopt the resolution passed. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Torres-Walker, Ogorchock, Wilson, Thorpe

Noes: Barbanica

10. POLICE REFORM – MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS REPOSE

Mayor Thorpe congratulated City Manager Bernal on the birth of his grandson.

City Manager Bernal presented the staff report dated March 23, 2021 recommending the City Council provide direction to staff as it relates to development of the City's future Mental Health Crisis Response.

The following public comment was made by an individual utilizing Zoom Audio/Video Technology.

Gigi Crowder, Executive Director National Alliance on Mental Illness and Antioch resident, spoke in support of seeking input from residents who had experience with a mental health crisis. She discussed the need for a program tailored for Antioch and encouraged the City to participate in the County process.

Hector Malvido, Frank Sterling, Diana Collins Puente, MV Watson Mental Health Case Manager read a statement from the Matt Rojo representing the National Union of Health Care Workers, Joshua Anijar, Contra Costa Central Labor Council, Robert Collins and Patricia Granados spoke in support of exploring options for the development of a Mental Health Response Team for Antioch. Several speakers encouraged Council to include community engagement in the process.

Isabella Collins spoke in support of Mental Health Response Teams and proper training for police dispatchers to assist in their roles for this team.

Juan Carlos Collins spoke in support of a non-police mental health program along with mental health and support for the APD.

The following public comment/s was/were read into the record by City Clerk Householder.

Tobias Johnson, Antioch resident, Taylor Sims, Lift Up Contra Costa, Elsie Mills, Showing Up for Racial Justice, Contra Costa County, Angelica Tripp, Antioch resident, Juan Collins Doug Leich, Contra Costa County resident, Allison Norris, Cassandra Quinto-Collins and Daisy Maixon provided written comment in support of the City forming a Mental Health Crisis Response Team.

Mayor Thorpe explained that hiring an outside consultant would bring in someone who was a professional in the industry to design a model that was specific to the needs of Antioch.

Councilmember Torres-Walker stated she agreed with a process that included residents while drawing down on County resources. She discussed the importance of including oversight and reporting as well as the policing powers. She noted the program should also define the structure for law enforcement interaction. She stated there was a need for a Mental Health Response Team that would free up the APD to respond to more violent issues. She commented that the

program should address substance abuse and interaction with other agencies. She stated she was prepared to move this process forward.

Councilmember Wilson stated that program could take the burden away from the APD and she encouraged City Manager Bernal to enter a process that considered models that provided 24-hour services and addressed homelessness, mental health and drug addiction. She encouraged Council to look at the different platforms and programs while including community input to address matters unique to Antioch.

Councilmember Barbanica spoke in support of a non-police response team and noted he saw the value of someone trained stepping in to assist those in crisis. He voiced his support for Antioch being the pilot city for the County program.

Councilmember Ogorchock suggested Antioch be the trial city for the County program and if unsuccessful then they could move into their own model.

Mayor Thorpe spoke in support of Antioch designing their own program. He noted he was not supportive of the pilot program's timeline and restrictions.

A motion was made by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Torres-Walker to direct City Manager Bernal to hire a firm to prepare an RFP for the purpose of providing a 24-hour model health crisis response for the City of Antioch.

Councilmember Ogorchock stated she wanted cost estimates for the program included and requested that the City continue to be involved in the County program.

Councilmember Torres-Walker commented that the City could participate in the County process along with their own program.

Councilmember Wilson noted that this process would not eliminate the County.

Mayor Thorpe stated Contra Costa County was under-resourced and there was a disparity between West and Central Contra Costa County as it related to providing services.

A vote taken on the previous motion to direct City Manager Bernal to hire a firm to prepare an RFP for the purpose of providing a 24-hour model health crisis response for the City of Antioch, passed unanimously.

11. COMMUNITY CAMERA SYSTEM AT 18TH STREET AND A STREET WITH SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION REQUEST

City Manager Bernal introduced Regular Agenda Item #11.

Lieutenant Fortner presented the staff report dated March 23, 2021 recommending the City Council adopt a resolution approving the following actions: 1) Approve the sole source request

for purchase of additional community cameras from Odin Systems Inc. and Vigilant Solutions (via Lehr Auto Electric); 2) Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a purchase agreement with Odin Systems Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$21,398.43, and with Vigilant Solutions (via Lehr Auto Electric) in an amount not to exceed \$102,339.94; and 3) Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a purchase agreement with I.C.R. Electric in an amount not to exceed \$18,633.

The following public comment was made by an individual utilizing Zoom Audio/Video Technology.

Frank Sterling, Antioch resident, stated he believed the money could be better spent on the Mental Health Crisis Response Team or other police reforms.

The following public comments were read into the record by City Clerk Householder.

Elsie Mills, Showing Up for Racial Justice Contra Costa County, Ali Saidi and Taylor Sims, Lift Up Contra Costa opposed adoption of the resolution approving Community Cameras at 18th and A Streets.

Councilmember Torres-Walker stated that she would not support additional cameras in an area of the City that had the least amount of resources and support.

Mayor Thorpe stated that he appreciated Councilmember Torres-Walker comments and noted that the City was looking at a different approach moving forward.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/56

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council adopted a resolution approving the sole source request for purchase of additional community cameras from Odin Systems Inc. and Vigilant Solutions (via Lehr Auto Electric). The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Barbanica, Ogorchock, Wilson, Thorpe

Noes: Torres-Walker

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a purchase agreement with Odin Systems Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$21,398.43, and with Vigilant Solutions (via Lehr Auto Electric) in an amount not to exceed \$102,339.94. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Barbanica, Ogorchock, Wilson, Thorpe

Noes: Torres-Walker

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a purchase agreement with I.C.R. Electric in an amount not to exceed \$18,633. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Barbanica, Ogorchock, Wilson, Thorpe

Noes: Torres-Walker

12. TENTATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ANTIOCH AND THE TREATMENT PLANT EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2020 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

Administrative Services Director Mastay presented the staff report dated March 23, 2021 recommending the City Council adopt a resolution: 1) Approving the Tentative Agreement between the City of Antioch and the Treatment Plant Employees Association (TPEA); and 2) Authorizing the Finance Director to make any necessary adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2020/21 budget to implement the provisions of the Tentative Agreement.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/57

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adopted a resolution approving the Tentative Agreement between the City of Antioch and the Treatment Plant Employees Association (TPEA).

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adopted a resolution authorizing the Finance Director to make any necessary adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2020/21 budget to implement the provisions of the Tentative Agreement.

13. CREATION OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) STANDING COMMITTEE

Administrative Services Director Mastay presented the staff report dated March 23, 2021 recommending the City Council: 1) Discuss and determine if it is the desire of the City Council to form a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Standing Committee; 2) Confirm the appointment of two (2) members for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Standing Committee; and 3) Adopt the resolution to form the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Standing Committee.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/58

On motion by Councilmember Barbanica, seconded by Councilmember Wilson the City Council unanimously adopted the resolution to form the Community Development Block Grant Standing Committee.

Mayor Thorpe nominated Councilmember Barbanica and Councilmember Torres-Walker to the CDBG Standing Committee. He stated this item would not require a motion.

City Attorney Smith stated he would prefer to proceed how Council had done so historically with a Councilmember making a motion and then it being seconded. He asked what the will of the Council was.

Mayor Thorpe's nominations of Councilmembers Barbanica and Torres-Walker to the CDBG Standing Committee were approved by Council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Bernal congratulated and wished Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Tim Coley the best in his retirement.

Mayor Thorpe thanked Mr. Coley for his years of service.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Ogorchock congratulated the Cielo Supermarket on their grand opening and announced they would be holding their event at 9:00 A.M. on March 24, 2021.

Councilmember Torres-Walker stated she was excited Cielo Supermarket was opening. She announced there were prospects for another grocery store and Farmer's Market in her District. She offered her condolences to Kathryn Wade for the loss of her son Malad Baldwin. She requested staff agendize a discussion on banning knee to neck and other restraints.

Mayor Thorpe clarified that Council had adopted the CNA report this evening; however, they had not adopted their recommendations.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adjourned the meeting at 11:51 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Kitty Eiden

KITTY EIDEN, Minutes Clerk