

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular Meeting
6:00 P.M.

August 10, 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 3:00 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.

4:00 P.M. – CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Thorpe called the Closed Session to order at 4:00 P.M., and City Clerk Householder called the roll.

Present: Council Members District 1 Torres-Walker, District 2 Barbanica, District 3 Ogorchock (arrived at 4:04 P.M.), Mayor Pro Tem (District 4) Wilson and Mayor Thorpe

PUBLIC COMMENTS for Closed Session

Due to the amount of speaker requests, Mayor Thorpe reduced speaker times to one (1) minute.

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

Wes Lee, Lisa O'connor and Anonymous, Antioch residents, provided written comment in support of the Antioch Police Department and requested the City Council not involve themselves in the Antioch Police Department promotional process.

Councilmember Ogorchock arrived at 4:04 P.M. and stated she had not been let into the Zoom meeting.

Rebecca Marie, Jessica Lowe, Michele Kuslits and Anonymous, Antioch residents, John Passur, Sal Sbranti, John Davis, Laura Young, Amy Hilton and Paul Vienna provided written comment in support of the Antioch Police Department. Several commenters requested the City Council not involve themselves in the Antioch Police Department promotional process. Two commenters requested Mayor Thorpe and City Clerk Householder remove themselves until a Brown Act investigation was completed.

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION** pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9: Robert Stout v. City of Antioch, United State District Court, Northern District of California, Case No. 4:20-cv-08370-YGR.
2. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION: CITY MANAGER.** This closed session is authorized pursuant to Government Code section 54957.
3. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS – TITLE: SERGEANT AND CORPORAL, ANTIOCH POLICE DEPARTMENT.** This closed session is authorized pursuant to Government Code section 54957.
4. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS –** This Closed Session is authorized by California Government Code section 54957.6: Agency designated representatives: Katie Kaneko, City Manager Ron Bernal, Administrative Services Director Nickie Mastay, Jeff Bailey; Employee organization: All bargaining units.

Councilmember Ogorchock stated when she attempted to get into the meeting this afternoon, she received a message stating that the host needed to let her in, which made her late. She requested in the future that the Zoom meeting host let participants into the meeting in a timely manner.

The City Council adjourned to Closed Session at 4:12 P.M. and returned at 6:08 P.M.

MOTION TO ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, the City Council adjourned Closed Session at 6:08 P.M.

6:00 P.M. – SPECIAL MEETING/WORK SESSION

Mayor Thorpe called the Special Meeting/Work Session to order at 6:08 P.M., and City Clerk Householder called the roll.

Present: Council Members District 1 Torres-Walker, District 2 Barbanica, District 3 Ogorchock, Mayor Pro Tem (District 4) Wilson and Mayor Thorpe
Present: Economic Development Commissioners: Herzberg, Fuller, Hills, Kalsbeek and Chairperson McCall

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson McCall led the Pledge of Allegiance.

WORK SESSION

1. **CITY COUNCIL / ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION DISCUSSION OF STRATEGIC ITEMS**

Chairperson McCall presented the staff report dated August 10, 2021 recommending the City Council receive the presentation and provide feedback/direction.

Goal 7 – Promote Sustainable Development

This item was presented by Commissioner Fuller.

In response to Councilmember Ogorchock, Commissioner Fuller clarified that this focus was about providing commentary based on the 2019-2029 Vision and Strategic Plan.

Councilmember Ogorchock thanked Mr. Fuller for his report and noted it was a good representation of the 2019 Vision and Strategic Plan.

Councilmember Wilson thanked Mr. Fuller for the report and encouraged the Economic Development Commission to reach out to Tri Delta Transit during their continued research.

Action Item – The Yard

This item was presented by Commissioner Fuller.

Chairperson McCall recommended and requested the City Council authorize a committee to begin pursuing relocation of the fairgrounds.

Mayor Thorpe stated he would support the Economic Development Commission exploring possibilities for the use of the fairground's property; however, he cautioned against representing the City in approaching the fairgrounds and asking if they wanted to relinquish the property.

Councilmember Ogorchock added that the State owned the fairgrounds property. She spoke in support of all items brought forward that were related to watersports access.

Goal 6 Support Historic Downtown Revitalization

This item was presented by Vice Chairperson Kalsbeek.

Goal 3 Support Growth Oriented Economic Development

This item was presented by Commissioner Herzberg.

Chairperson McCall discussed the importance of investing in resources and promoting entrepreneurship in 7th – 12th grade education, facilitating efforts to improve jobs housing balance as well as creating and promoting regional entertainment.

Councilmember Torres-Walker thanked the Economic Development Commission for the presentation. She spoke in support of developing an app for the City, entrepreneurship and focusing on downtown Antioch. She discussed the importance of addressing major arterials to downtown as well as addressing social development.

Mayor Thorpe reported the City Council would be discussing Arts and Culture in the October timeframe and encouraged the Economic Development Commission to be engaged in those conversations. He noted Director of Parks and Recreation Helfenberger and Director of Economic Development Reed should also be involved. He further noted Council would be discussing Economic Revitalization Priority Areas later in the agenda and he encouraged the Commission to engage in that discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Due to the amount of speaker requests, Mayor Thorpe reduced speaker times to one (1) minute.

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

Kim Stadlander, Rivertown resident, Josh Motts, Antioch resident, Susan Welch, Donald Bright, Antioch resident, Katie Bookman-Lamothe, Antioch resident, Betty Blaze, Joy Motts, Community Advocate and President of the Celebrate Antioch Foundation, Jennifer Hughes, Antioch resident, Kerry Motts, Rivertown Preservation and Antioch Planning Commission, and Martha Goralka, Antioch resident, provided written comment in support of developing an event plaza on the Beede Lumber Yard parcel.

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

Lee spoke in support of developing an event plaza on the Beede Lumber Yard parcel.

MOTION TO ADJOURN SPECIAL MEETING/WORK SESSION

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, the City Council unanimously adjourned the Special Meeting at 7:11 P.M.

Mayor Thorpe thanked the Economic Development Commission for the presentation.

7:00 P.M. – REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Thorpe called the meeting to order at 7:11 P.M., and City Clerk Householder called the roll.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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, **#2 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION: CITY MANAGER**, no reportable action. **#3 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS – TITLE: SERGEANT AND CORPORAL, ANTIOCH POLICE DEPARTMENT**; no reportable action; and **#4 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**, no reportable action.

2. INTRODUCTION OF NEW CITY EMPLOYEES

Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson introduced Alan Luna, Water Distribution Operator I, Tyler Hulegaard, Water Distribution Operator I and Justin Griffith, Water Distribution Operator I, who thanked Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson for the introduction.

Mayor Thorpe welcomed the new employees to the City of Antioch.

Director of Community Development Ebbs introduced Kevin Scudero and Zoe Merideth promoted to Senior Planners who thanked Director of Community Development Ebbs for the introductions.

Mayor Thorpe congratulated Senior Planners Scudero and Merideth on their promotions.

Chief Brooks introduced Ashley Gomez, Police Records Technician, Kristian Palma, Police Officer, Nicholas Gaitan, Community Services Officer, Ashley Lunden, Police Officer and Jamal Meadors, Police Officer who thanked Chief Brooks for the introductions.

Mayor Thorpe welcomed the new City employees to the City of Antioch.

City Manager Bernal thanked the City Council for allowing staff to introduce new employees.

3. PROCLAMATION

Recognizing the Heroic Acts of Antioch's Good Samaritans involved in the Extraordinary Rescue of a Child and Mother at Canal Park, July 27, 2021

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the Council unanimously approved the Proclamation.

Mayor Thorpe announced this event warranted a signing ceremony to present the proclamation in person.

Councilmember Ogorchock reported that the Contra Costa County Fire Department wanted to recognize these individuals and participate in the signing ceremony. She noted they were also trying to locate the unnamed construction worker who was involved in the rescue.

Mayor Thorpe stated it would also be appropriate to have Officer Kendall at the signing ceremony. He noted he would inform Council of the details once they were finalized.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CIVIC AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Director of Parks and Recreation Helfenberger announced the bicycle garden community forums had been postponed and he would provide the schedule as soon as it was available.

Mayor Thorpe encouraged the community to participate in the bicycle garden forums.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF BOARD AND COMMISSION OPENINGS

City Clerk Householder announced the following Board and Commission openings:

- Police Crime Prevention Commission: One (1) vacancy

She reported applications were available online at the City's website.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

Anonymous provided written comment in which they felt the APD was not responsible for the death of Angelo Quinto.

Lindseu Amezcua and Kenny Turnage, Antioch residents, and Anonymous provided written comment requesting the resignations of City Clerk Householder and Mayor Thorpe.

Robert Collins provided written comment thanking the City Council for supporting police reforms and mental health crisis response teams. He requested the City Council support AB-490.

Michael S., Antioch resident, provided written comment questioning if Mayor Thorpe and City Clerk Householder would be resigning.

Devin Williams, Antioch resident, provided written comment discussing the need for speed controls in his neighborhood.

Rob Shapiro, Antioch resident, provided written comment regarding reckless motorcycle activity occurring in his neighborhood and requested the Antioch Police Department patrol the area. Additionally, he requested the City reduce the frequency of watering during the drought.

Anonymous, Paul Vienna, and Michelle Kuslits, Antioch residents, provided written comment requesting the removal of Mayor Thorpe and City Clerk Householder until an investigation into their conduct and Brown Act Violations were completed.

Old Yeller provided written comment requesting the resignation of Mayor Thorpe.

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

Lee stated she was excited that Mayor Thorpe, City Manager Bernal and Director of Parks and Recreation Helfenberger had secured funding to revitalize the Nick Rodriguez Community Center and Senior Center.

Diana Collins Puente thanked the City Council for supporting police reforms. She encouraged Council to immediately ban all restraints that may cause positional asphyxia and support AB-490.

Patricia Granados played an audio of East County Today's podcast in which the hosts had made remarks regarding District Attorney Diane Becton and stated she did not believe East County Today should be receiving taxpayers' funds to write positive articles for the AUSD.

Leslie May reported she had noticed a positive change in the Sycamore neighborhood since Mayor Thorpe held a press conference in the area. She expressed concern regarding threatening remarks in the local press and encouraged Council to remain positive.

COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Barbanica reported on his attendance at the Transitional Housing Ad Hoc Committee meeting.

Councilmember Wilson reported on her attendance at a Tri Delta Transit meeting. She announced that she would be attending a conference with Delta Diablo on August 11, 2021.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Thorpe announced he would bring an item to endorse AB-490 and a ban on positional asphyxia to the next City Council meeting. He commented that some people were resistant to change that was occurring and some of those people were internal to the City. He stated Council was committed to ensuring they meet goals the public demanded, and they would not allow those internally to try to divide them and their efforts.

5. PRESENTATIONS

- Public Financial Management (PFM) Report on City Investments, presented by Managing Director Sarah Meacham
- Urban Strategies Council: Mental Health Crisis Response, presented by President and CEO David A. Harris

Sarah Meacham, Managing Director of Public Financial Management (PFM) gave a PowerPoint presentation of the Investment Performance Review for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2021.

Mayor Thorpe suggested the City investigate a policy whereby their investments would be free of items such as fossil fuels and crude oil. He thanked Ms. Meacham for the presentation.

Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore introduced David A. Harris, President and CEO of Urban Strategies Council who gave a PowerPoint presentation of the Mobile/Mental Health Crisis Response Program Design.

Mayor Thorpe thanked Mr. Harris for the presentation and discussed the importance of the program.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR JULY 27, 2021

B. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL WARRANTS

C. RESOLUTION NO. 2021/132 CONSIDERATION OF BIDS FOR ASPHALT OVERLAY MESA RIDGE AND DEERFIELD CORRIDOR TRAILS BID NO. 988-0722-21A AWARD

D. RESOLUTION NO. 2021/133 APPROVAL OF A VALVE MAINTENANCE TRUCK UTILIZING A SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT WITH NATIONAL AUTO FLEET GROUP

E. RESOLUTION NO. 2021/134 FORMATION OF A COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT FOR THE LAUREL RANCH RESIDENTIAL PROJECT

City Clerk Householder read comment from Jeffrey Robinson representing Davidon Homes regarding Consent Calendar Item E.

On motion by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously approved the Council Consent Calendar.

PUBLIC HEARING

7. DEER VALLEY ESTATES PROJECT (PD-19-03, UP-19-12, AR-19-19)

Director of Community Development Ebbs introduced Senior Planner Merideth who presented the staff report dated August 10, 2021, recommending the City Council take the following actions: 1) Adopt the resolution certifying the Deer Valley Estates 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 Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map, Final Development Plan, Use Permit, and Design Review subject to conditions of approval (PD-19-03, UP-19-12, AR-19-19).

Mayor Thorpe opened the public hearing.

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

Mike Harlan thanked staff for their hard work putting the report together and bringing the project before Council this evening. He gave a PowerPoint presentation of the project.

Andrew Becker stated he believed the City should address the community's need for affordable and low-income housing.

Leslie May agreed with Mr. Becker's comments and expressed concern that investors could purchase the homes for rental units.

Mayor Thorpe closed the public hearing.

In response to Councilmember Barbanica, Mr. Harlan stated typically contractors for site development were union; however, he could not commit to all union contractors. Additionally, they were committed to local hire; however, lately it had been difficult to get workers and a lot of work was done with subcontractors. He confirmed the setback requirements for the project. He explained that typically a project like this would have an HOA and they could look at a restriction for owner occupied homes within the CCRs.

In response to Councilmember Wilson, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson explained roadways within the project were developed to incorporate traffic calming by design. He noted they could consider other methods to incorporate traffic calming if there were specific concerns.

Councilmember Wilson recognized the applicant for reaching out to Tri Delta Transit to address public transportation in the area.

Councilmember Ogorchock thanked Mr. Harlan for the presentation.

In response to Councilmember Ogorchock, Mr. Harlan stated prior to beginning construction, they would be meeting with the community to discuss potential impacts.

Councilmember Ogorchock spoke in support of the developer working with local unions and the Helmets to Hardhats program. She suggested Council support a policy requiring all future parks in Antioch be all-abilities parks.

In response to Councilmember Ogorchock, Director of Community Development Ebbs clarified they had consistently required projects join the CFD in place at the time of development and they anticipated the fire district would have their CFD formed soon.

Councilmember Ogorchock requested staff look at installing a speed hump or bump for traffic calming and suggested keeping streets opened to allow for several outlets out from the residential area.

Councilmember Torres-Walker thanked Mr. Harlan for the presentation.

Director of Community Development Ebbs reported that they had not received any comments from environmental organizations regarding this project.

Mayor Thorpe thanked Mr. Harlan for the presentation and noted he understood the resident's environmental concerns related to the pipeline running through the property.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/135

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Torres-Walker the City Council adopted the resolution certifying the Deer Valley Estates Project Environmental Impact Report, adopting findings of fact and statement of overriding considerations, and adopting the mitigation monitoring and reporting program. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Torres-Walker, Ogorchock, Wilson

Noes: Barbanica and Thorpe

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/136

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Wilson the City Council adopted the resolution approving a Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map, Final Development Plan, Use Permit, and Design Review subject to conditions of approval (PD-19-03, UP-19-12, AR-19-19). The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Torres-Walker, Ogorchock, Wilson

Noes: Barbanica and Thorpe

Mayor Thorpe declared a recess at 9:10 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 9:17 P.M. with all Councilmembers present.

COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA

8. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FOR ONE (1) FULL-TERM VACANCY EXPIRING MARCH 2024

City Clerk Householder announced Mayor Thorpe nominated Dominique L. King for a full-term vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Commission expiring March 2024. She read Ms. King's biography.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021/137

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adopted a resolution appointing Dominique L. King to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a vacancy expiring March 2024.

City Clerk Householder administered the Oath of Office to Ms. King.

Mayor Thorpe thanked Ms. King for volunteering to serve the community.

MAYOR THORPE ASKED IF SOMEONE COULD MAKE A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO FLIP COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS #9 AND #10.

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER BARBANICA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OGORCHOCK THE CITY COUNCIL MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO MOVE AGENDA ITEM #10 TO BE HEARD PRIOR TO AGENDA ITEM #9; APPROVED 5/0.

10. STRATEGIC HOUSING AND INFILL STUDY

Director of Community Development Ebbs introduced Bruce Brubaker, PlaceWorks who presented the staff report dated August 10, 2021, recommending that the City Council receive the presentation and offer any questions or suggestions.

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

Leslie May spoke in opposition to more housing developments and in support of providing housing and services to vulnerable populations, such as the homeless, mentally ill, and seniors.

Frank Sterling agreed with Ms. May. He also spoke in support of the establishment of a Mental Health Crisis Response Team.

Mayor Thorpe explained that this policy could help the City develop specific properties. He noted different options could be considered and public feedback was important in the process.

Director of Community Development Ebbs stated this was the beginning of the process and staff would provide further updates.

Mayor Thorpe commented this discussion could help inform how they wanted to proceed with the next agenda item. He thanked everyone for the presentation.

9. ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION PRIORITY AREAS

Mayor Thorpe presented the staff report dated August 10, 2021, recommending the City Council provide direction to staff for the Economic Revitalization Priority Areas.

- A. SOMERSVILLE ROAD BETWEEN HIGHWAY 4 AND BUCHANAN ROAD
- B. DELTA FAIR BOULEVARD BETWEEN FAIRVIEW DRIVE AND BUCHANAN ROAD
- C. L STREET STUDY AREA
- D. A STREET BETWEEN HIGHWAY 4 AND 10TH STREET
- E. 18TH STREET BETWEEN HILLCREST TO A STREET
- F. 10TH STREET BETWEEN A STREET TO L STREET

A. SOMERSVILLE ROAD BETWEEN HIGHWAY 4 AND BUCHANAN ROAD

B. DELTA FAIR BOULEVARD BETWEEN FAIRVIEW DRIVE AND BUCHANAN ROAD

Councilmember Barbanica supported the City investing in revitalization of the Somersville Road, Buchanan Road, Delta Fair Boulevard, Fairview Drive areas and looking at options for Somersville Towne Center.

In response to Mayor Thorpe, Director of Community Development Ebbs explained the Strategic Housing and Infill Study included these areas. He noted a recommendation to Council would likely include amendments to the City's General Plan and Zoning updates to create a housing overlay of the identified sites as well as other areas Council deemed appropriate. He further noted grant funding would be for residential projects.

Mayor Thorpe mentioned that the goal was to incentivize applicants to bring projects forward. He stated they were supportive of including these areas in the current process.

C. L STREET STUDY AREA

In response to Councilmember Barbanica, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson confirmed that staff would continue exploring grant opportunities for "L" Street as they become available.

Councilmember Torres-Walker stated she appreciated the discussion including streets she had previously identified as areas of concern. She spoke in support of the improvements being made to "L" Street and noted that she along with residents in the area were concerned regarding the elimination of on-street parking.

Following discussion, Council directed staff to come back with funding options including a potential ballot measure, special assessment district and bond measure to complete the project. Additionally, they requested consideration of possible overlays specific to Sycamore and "L" Street and Sycamore Square.

D. A STREET BETWEEN HIGHWAY 4 AND 10TH STREET

Following discussion, Council consensus supported funding a study for "A" Street infrastructure improvements.

In response to Mayor Thorpe, Director of Community Development Ebbs stated zoning for this area could be discussed following the recommendation from staff on the Strategic Housing and Infill Study.

E. 18TH STREET BETWEEN HILLCREST TO A STREET

Following discussion, Council consensus supported funding a study for the 18th Street infrastructure improvements. Zoning for this area would also be discussed following the recommendation from staff on the Strategic Housing and Infill Study, particularly at 18th Street and Cavallo Road.

F. 10TH STREET BETWEEN A STREET TO L STREET

Following discussion, Council consensus supported funding a study for the 10th Street infrastructure improvements.

Mayor Thorpe suggested seeking input from the Economic Development Commission in these efforts and review of specific properties.

Leslie May suggested widening 10th Street between “A” and “L” Streets, creating a garden or commercial building at Cavallo Road and East 18th Streets and on “A” Street. She questioned if the City would be putting out an RFP for developing these properties.

Frank Sterling, Antioch resident, expressed concern regarding unsafe driving conditions on 9th and 10th Streets. He noted it was difficult to cross streets in these areas and advised the City to address this matter.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Frank Sterling thanked City Council for their service. He spoke in support of the City Council banning knee to neck restraints and placing the item on the next agenda for consideration.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

City Attorney Smith wished Councilmember Ogorchock a Happy Birthday.

Councilmember Ogorchock thanked City Attorney Smith.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Barbanica requested staff agendize a presentation from Veterans Boulevard on their proposals to change the name of “L” Street, to Veteran’s Boulevard and build a War Memorial Park in the area. Additionally, he suggested naming one of the new City streets, Thomas Gaines Boulevard.

Mayor Thorpe commented consideration for renaming streets in the identified priority areas would be included in the Economic Revitalization process and the community would be involved.

Councilmember Torres-Walker thanked her peers on Council and the public for their participation this evening.

Mayor Thorpe reiterated that he would be bringing items regarding the endorsement of AB-490 and a ban on positional asphyxia to the next City Council meeting. He also discussed previous comments he made this evening regarding Council’s efforts to build a culture of inclusiveness and collaboration in the spirit of police reform. He commented that any efforts from staff to undermine Council’s goals were not well-received and they were prepared to make the appropriate administrative changes, if necessary.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Wilson the City Council unanimously adjourned the meeting at 10:31 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Kitty Eiden

KITTY EIDEN, Minutes Clerk