

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

**Regular Meeting  
7:00 P.M.**

**April 26, 2022  
Council Chambers**

**6:00 P.M. - CLOSED SESSION**

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS** – pursuant to California Government Code section 54957.6; City designated representatives: Nickie Mastay, Jazzman Brown, and Jeff Bailey; Employee organizations: Management Unit, Treatment Plant Employees' Association, Antioch Public Works Association, and Antioch Police Sworn Management Association.
  
2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION** – Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code section 54956.9(b): One Case.

**ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION**

Council adjourned to Closed Session at 6:01 P.M.

**7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING**

Mayor Thorpe called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M., and City Clerk Householder called the roll.

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Thorpe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CITY ATTORNEY TO REPORT OUT ON CLOSED SESSION**

City Attorney Smith reported the City Council had been in Closed Session and gave the following report: **#1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**, no reportable action; and **#2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**, direction given to Interim City Manager and City Attorney.

**1. PROCLAMATIONS**

- In Honor of A Home within CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) Therapy Project
- Arbor Day, April 29, 2022

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

Mayor Thorpe thanked CASA for their dedication to youth in foster care.

Phillip McCloud, representing CASA, thanked the City Council for the *In Honor of A Home within CASA Therapy Project* proclamation and for supporting their organization.

Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson thanked the City Council for the *Arbor Day, April 29, 2022*, proclamation. He invited the community to attend a tree planting at 1:00 P.M. on April 29, 2022, at Antioch Community Park.

## **2. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CIVIC AND COMMUNITY EVENTS**

Director of Parks and Recreation Helfenberger announced the following civic and community event.

- Recreation Expo – May 7, 2022

Councilmember Wilson announced the following civic and community events.

- Demin Day - April 27, 2022
- Red Sand Project - April 27, 2022
- Shred It Event - April 28, 2022

Mayor Thorpe announced a swearing-in ceremony for Interim Chief Ford would take place at 1:00 P.M. on April 27, 2022, at the Antioch Community Center. He recognized former Interim Chief, Captain Morefield for his service.

## **3. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF BOARD AND COMMISSION OPENINGS**

City Clerk Householder announced the following Board and Commission openings.

- Economic Development Commission
- Sales Tax Citizens' Oversight Committee
- Contra Costa Mosquito & Vector Control Board of Trustees

For more information and to apply, visit: [www.bit.ly/ApplyAntioch](http://www.bit.ly/ApplyAntioch) or the City's homepage.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Barbara Sobalvarro, representing Antioch Friends of Animal Services, announced *Be Kind to Animals Week* would take place from May 1 – 7, 2022. She provided a history of the Antioch Animal Shelter and their organization.

Della Curri stated that her family were victims of the Delta Pines Apartment fire and she expressed concern regarding the management of the complex.

Francisco Torres and Archie Brumfield, representing ACCE, expressed concern that tenants were being illegally evicted and requested the City Council consider rent control, just cause and anti-harassment policies.

Michelle Barlow requested Council agenda reconsideration of the RV ordinance to allow residents to park their RVs on their properties.

Lisa Sanders, representing ACCE, reported she was a victim of the Delta Pine Apartment fire, and she believed the management of the complex had been negligent in their response. She spoke in support of rent control, just cause and anti-harassment policies.

Ralph Hernandez, Antioch resident, announced that he submitted materials to the City Council for the public record regarding cases that he had investigated. He requested Council encourage the District Attorney to reopen a case.

John acknowledged Ralph Hernandez for his investigative work. He urged Council to read the information he had provided and contact the District Attorney's office.

Chris Gilroy, Antioch resident, acknowledged and thanked the Antioch City Council for their accomplishments and encouraged them to remain committed to their efforts.

Roshon Williams requested Council agenda reconsideration of the RV ordinance and review all the information she had previously submitted regarding this matter. She spoke in support of rent control.

Lucas Stuart-Chilcote announced May Day March for International Workers Day, May 1, 2022, and the Interfaith Breaking Fast Dinner, April 30, 2022. He reported free at-home covid tests were available by mail at COVID.gov.

Pam Gupta expressed concern recent ordinance restrictions on cigarettes, cigars and cigarillos had created a hardship for low-income customers. She noted it had also impacted their inventory and she requested Council reevaluate these restrictions.

Pasqual Iwoh questioned what the timeframe was for the selection process for those who had applied for Boards and Commissions.

Frank Sterling announced that they would be holding a community event at the Antioch Police Department (APD). He stated that he supported the investigation into APD and the city's police reform efforts.

## **CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilmember Torres-Walker reported on her attendance at the CDBG Committee meeting and announced that she would be attending a Cannabis Standing Committee meeting later this week.

Councilmember Ogorchock discussed Mayor Thorpe's prior request to have Mr. Turnage removed from Council Chambers. She explained that he did not have the authority to direct Interim City Manager Johnson to remove a member of the public without Council consensus. She stated that this was one of the reasons she requested Interim City Manager Johnson's performance review.

Councilmember Wilson announced she would be attending the Cannabis Standing Committee meeting later this week.

Councilmember Barbanica reported on his attendance at the CDBG Committee meeting and announced that he would be attending another meeting this week. He encouraged those interested in applying for CDBG funding, to do so. He thanked the representative from ACCE for connecting him with tenants and encouraged tenants that were being unlawfully evicted to reach out to him. He also requested Mr. Hernandez call him.

Mayor Thorpe apologized to community members who were expecting to revisit the RV ordinance this evening and noted the item would be on the next agenda. He reviewed the Board and Commission application and interview process. He explained if anyone disrupted a meeting, he would request they leave and if it continued, he would have them escorted out by the Police Chief.

## **MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

### **4. PRESENTATION**

Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson gave a PowerPoint presentation of the Brackish Water Desalination Project Update.

The City Council thanked Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson for the presentation.

In response to Council, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson discussed the city's per capita water use, their partnership with Delta Diablo and the process for reducing noise impacts for residents in the area.

Councilmember Ogorchock requested staff provide Council with the project's landscaping plans.

### **5. CONSENT CALENDAR for City /City Council Members acting as Housing Successor to the Antioch Development Agency**

#### **A. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 11, 2022**

- B. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 22, 2022
- C. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR APRIL 12, 2022
- D. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FOR APRIL 19, 2022
- E. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL WARRANTS
- F. APPROVAL OF HOUSING SUCCESSOR WARRANTS
- G. REJECTION OF CLAIMS: NIRIVANA ALLEN, OLIVIA ALLEN, NIRIVANA ALLEN, JR., KANAI ALLEN, QZAI AH ALLEN, AND CARLA MCLAURIN
- H. ORDINANCE NO. 2209-C-S SECOND READING – FORMATION OF THE PROPOSED CITY OF ANTIOCH COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2022-01 (PUBLIC SERVICES) FOR LAUREL RANCH SUBDIVISION (PW 698) (Introduced on April 12, 2022)
- I. ORDINANCE NO. 2210-C-S AND ORDINANCE NO. 2211-C-S SECOND READING – STRATEGIC INFILL HOUSING STUDY (Introduced on April 12, 2022)
- J. RESOLUTION NO. 2022/64 FOR ON-CALL CONTRACT PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES
- K. RESOLUTION NO. 2022/65 AMENDING AN EXISTING CONTRACT FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES WITH URBAN PLANNING PARTNERS FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE 6TH CYCLE HOUSING ELEMENT 2023-2031 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT
- L. RESOLUTION NO. 2022/66 ACCEPTANCE OF WORK AND NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR PREWETT PARK CONCRETE IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE II (P.W. 567-9)
- M. RESOLUTION NO. 2022/67 WATER RATE STUDY
- N. RESOLUTION NO. 2022/68 CONSIDERATION OF BIDS FOR CITY PARK LANDSCAPE ENHANCEMENT BID NO. 988-0309-22A
- O. RESOLUTION NO. 2022/69 ACCEPTING THE OFFERS OF DEDICATION FOR LAUREL ROAD RELATED TO THE LAUREL RANCH SUBDIVISION (P.W. 698)

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, the City Council unanimously approved the Council Consent Calendar with the exception of item M which was pulled for further discussion.

**Item M** – – Councilmember Ogorchock announced that the City was not raising water rates. Director of Public Works/City Engineer Samuelson presented the staff report dated April 26, 2022, recommending the City Council adopt the water rates without any increase.

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Torres-Walker the City Council unanimously approved Item M.

## **COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA**

### **6. UNHOUSED RESIDENT SERVICES – FALL 2022 CYCLE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HOMEKEY PROGRAM AND EXECUTIVE INN LOCATED AT 515 EAST 18TH STREET**

Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore presented the staff report dated April 26, 2022, recommending the City Council receive the presentation and adopt the resolution: 1) Authorizing the City to pursue State of California Homekey Program funding for housing opportunities associated with the Executive Inn located at 515 East 18th Street; 2) Pledging the 5-year City commitment of a subsidy estimated at \$12.3 million dollars in local funds; and 3) Authorizing pursuit of the public procurement process to identify an experienced developer partner to assist with financing, development, long term ownership and operations of the future Homekey site.

Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore introduced Jeree Glasser-Hedrick, Housing Director of Focus Strategies, who gave an Executive Inn Homekey Financing PowerPoint presentation.

Ralph Hernandez stated he did not believe the Executive Inn site was appropriate for the homeless due to the illegal activity occurring in the area.

Donna Salazar stated this project would not address the issues with the unhoused and she felt it would be too expensive. She reported that she had not received a response from the City's Unhoused Resident Coordinator.

Andrew Becker stated public safety was a community issue and he encouraged residents to assist those in need. He noted that Homekey was the City's opportunity to house individuals and the dialog for this item needed to be more robust and inclusive.

Lacey Brown, Antioch resident, encouraged Council to postpone the adoption of the resolution because she felt the City had not looked objectively at other options for their application. She spoke in support of Dignity Moves managing a Homekey project.

Chris Gilroy spoke in support of the Executive Inn project and assisting the homeless with services needed.

Norma Hernandez clarified that homeless residents deserved to be housed in safe locations. She discussed programs to provide training. She suggested using Homekey funding to build a project and better program.

Edgar Martinez announced the 2022 Point-In-Time count would be available in May and the 2021 annual report would be available in the summer. He supported further studies and suggested the City consider other options.

An unidentified speaker suggested Antioch emulate successful homeless programs from surrounding cities such as the Trinity Center in Walnut Creek.

Mayor Thorpe discussed the City and Ad Hoc Committees' efforts to take a proactive approach to provide homeless services in Antioch. He explained the goal of the Executive Inn project was to provide services and temporary stability so people could transition out of homelessness. He thanked Unhoused Resident Coordinator Ridley and Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore for their dedication to this project.

Councilmember Barbanica stated he did not feel this was an appropriate location for this project because of the impact it would have on the school and residential neighborhood. He felt the money could be better utilized for other opportunities.

Councilmember Torres-Walker requested the City address safety and beautification in the area and announced that there were organizations that worked with the homeless to give them jobs to clean up neighborhoods. She stated she did not believe there had been a fair assessment by Focus Strategies and suggested the City submit a Project Homekey application that included the Executive Inn as well as other options.

Councilmember Ogorchock suggested agendaizing a presentation from Dignity Moves and the City conduct a feasibility study for projects on other potential properties. She expressed concern that the Executive Inn project would deplete the City's reserves and it did not include services. She also noted that the City lacked staff to oversee the leasing of the building.

Mayor Thorpe responded that the budget for the Executive Inn Project included wrap-around services and noted that all budget assumptions put the City in a deficit because the numbers did not accurately reflect revenue.

Councilmember Wilson spoke in support of looking at other opportunities throughout the City and moving forward with this project as soon as possible.

Mayor Thorpe clarified that the City was focused on funding that would be available in October. He explained Focus Strategies was a neutral party. He cautioned that involving specific developers in meetings could jeopardize their participation in an RFP or RFQ.

Assistant City Manager Bayon Moore clarified that an evaluation of alternatives showed how they had concluded that the Executive Inn was the only site that could compete successfully with aggressive timelines.

Councilmember Torres-Walker requested the evaluation of alternatives come back to Council as well as presentations from Dignity Moves and Homes First.

Mayor Thorpe stated that they could postpone this item and discussed the importance of it coming back to Council as soon as possible. He suggested the matter return to Council at a Special Meeting on April 29, 2022. He expressed concern for the voting pattern related to items addressing homelessness.

On motion by Councilmember Torres-Walker, seconded by Councilmember Wilson the City Council postponed this matter. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Torres-Walker, Wilson, Ogorchock, Thorpe

Noes: Barbanica

**7. BICYCLE GARDEN – SELECTION OF PREFERRED LOCATION AND ONE ALTERNATE LOCATION, IDENTIFICATION OF CONTRA COSTA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AS LEAD AGENCY OF THE PROJECT, AND FUNDING AUTHORIZATION FOR SCOPE AND DESIGN PHASE**

Director of Parks and Recreation Helfenberger and Parks and Recreation Commission Chair Marie Arce presented the staff report and PowerPoint presentation dated April 26, 2022, recommending the City Council receive the presentation and adopt the resolution: 1) Selecting the preferred location and one alternate location for the Bicycle Garden; 2) Identifying the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) as the lead agency with the intent to enter in a funding agreement in an amount not to exceed \$550,000 for the planning and design of the Bicycle Garden to be approved by City Council at a future meeting; and 3) Authorizing the Finance Director to make an adjustment to the Fiscal Year 2021/22 and Fiscal Year 2022/23 budget in an amount not to exceed \$550,000 from the General Fund for the planning and design of the Bicycle Garden.

Following discussion, Council consensus selected Prewett Park as the preferred location and Gentrytown Park as the alternate location for the Bicycle Garden.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022/70**

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Wilson the City Council unanimously adopted the resolution: 1) Selecting the preferred location Prewett Park and one alternate location Gentrytown Park for the Bicycle Garden; 2) Identifying the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) as the lead agency with the intent to enter in a funding agreement in an amount not to exceed \$550,000 for the planning and design of the Bicycle Garden to be approved by City Council this evening; and 3) Authorizing the Finance Director to make an adjustment to the Fiscal Year 2021/22 and Fiscal Year 2022/23 budget in an amount not to exceed \$550,000 from the General Fund for the planning and design of the Bicycle Garden.

Mayor Thorpe declared a recess at 9:51 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 9:59 P.M. with all Councilmembers present.

**8. DISCUSSION ITEM: TOBACCO ORDINANCE GRACE PERIOD TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW RESTRICTIONS ON SALES OF TOBACCO OR TOBACCO PRODUCTS WITH CHARACTERIZING FLAVOR, ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES, CIGARS, AND LITTLE CIGARS**

City Attorney Smith presented the staff report dated April 26, 2022, recommending the City Council provide direction to staff concerning: 1) Whether staff should prepare an amendment to the tobacco ordinance implementing a grace period temporarily suspending the implementation of new restrictions on sales of tobacco or tobacco products with characterizing flavor, electronic cigarettes, cigars, and little cigars; 2) The duration of the grace period, if any and 3) Whether staff should focus on community education and suspend enforcement activity until the passage of the amendment to the ordinance.

Nisha Toor, Jashir Sooch representing Hillcrest Liquor and Lone Tree Liquor, Ralph Hernandez, Antioch resident, Pam Gupta, Antioch resident, and Norma Hernandez spoke in support of an amendment to the tobacco ordinance implementing a grace period.

Jen Graham Lahano representing the American Cancer Society stated she did not support a grace period for this policy; however, if one was extended, she requested it be limited to three months from adoption and stipulate retailers were not allowed to restock products.

Following discussion, Council consensus supported a grace period until December 1, 2022 and directed staff to focus on community education and suspend enforcement.

**9. TENTATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ANTIOCH AND THE CONFIDENTIAL UNIT FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2021 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2025**

Administrative Services Director Mastay presented the staff report dated April 26, 2022, recommending the City Council adopt a resolution: 1) Approving the Tentative Agreement between the City of Antioch and the Confidential Unit; and 2) Authorizing the City Manager or designee to make any necessary adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2021/22 and 2022/23 budgets to implement the provisions of the Tentative Agreement.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022/71**

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adopted a resolution: 1) Approving the Tentative Agreement between the City of Antioch and the Confidential Unit; and 2) Authorizing the City Manager or designee to make any necessary adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2021/22 and 2022/23 budgets to implement the provisions of the Tentative Agreement.

**10. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH THOMAS LLOYD SMITH FOR CITY ATTORNEY SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT**

Administrative Services Director Mastay presented the staff report dated April 26, 2022, recommending the City Council adopt a resolution approving the Fourth Amendment to the Employment Agreement with Thomas Lloyd Smith for City Attorney Services and authorizing the Mayor to sign the Agreement.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022/72**

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adopted a resolution approving the Fourth Amendment to the Employment Agreement with Thomas Lloyd Smith for City Attorney Services and authorizing the Mayor to sign the Agreement.

**11. TENTATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ANTIOCH AND OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION NO. 3 REPRESENTATIONAL UNIT IV FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2021 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2025**

Administrative Services Director Mastay presented the staff report dated April 26, 2022, recommending the City Council adopt a resolution: 1) Approving the Tentative Agreement between the City of Antioch and Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 Representational Unit IV (OE3); and 2) Authorizing the City Manager or designee to make any necessary adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2021/22 and 2022/23 budgets to implement the provisions of the Tentative Agreement.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022/73**

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adopted a resolution: 1) Approving the Tentative Agreement between the City of Antioch and Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 Representational Unit IV (OE3); and 2) Authorizing the City Manager or designee to make any necessary adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2021/22 and 2022/23 budgets to implement the provisions of the Tentative Agreement.

***ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER OGORCHOCK, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BARBANICA, THE CITY COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY SUSPENDED THE RULES AND MOVED COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS #15 AND 16 TO BE HEARD PRIOR TO COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA ITEM #12***

**15. TENTATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ANTIOCH AND THE MANAGEMENT UNIT FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2021 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2025**

Administrative Services Director Mastay presented the staff report dated April 26, 2022, recommending the City Council adopt a resolution: 1) Approving the Tentative Agreement between the City of Antioch and the Management Unit; and 2) Authorizing the City Manager or designee to make any necessary adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2021/22 and 2022/23 budgets to implement the provisions of the Tentative Agreement.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022/74**

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adopted a resolution: 1) Approving the Tentative Agreement between the City of Antioch and the Management Unit; and 2) Authorizing the City Manager or designee to make any necessary adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2021/22 and 2022/23 budgets to implement the provisions of the Tentative Agreement.

**16. TENTATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ANTIOCH AND THE TREATMENT PLANT EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2021 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2025**

Administrative Services Director Mastay presented the staff report dated April 26, 2022, 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 City Manager or designee to make any necessary adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2021/22 and 2022/23 budgets to implement the provisions of the Tentative Agreement.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022/75**

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adopted a resolution: 1) Approving the Tentative Agreement between the City of Antioch and the Treatment Plant Employees Association (TPEA); and 2) Authorizing the City Manager or designee to make any necessary adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2021/22 and 2022/23 budgets to implement the provisions of the Tentative Agreement.

**12. RECRUITMENT SIGNING BONUS/INCENTIVES FOR QUALIFIED LATERAL AND ACADEMY GRADUATE POLICE OFFICERS**

Interim Chief Morefield presented the staff report dated April 26, 2022, recommending the City Council discuss and direct staff regarding modification of the City's recruitment signing bonus/incentive program to include qualified lateral and academy graduate police officers.

Mayor Thorpe announced that he had requested this item be brought back.

Councilmember Barbanica stated he supported hiring more police officers and retaining the current policy. He noted the cost to increase the program was excessive and he wanted officers to work in Antioch because they chose to and not because of the incentives. He suggested the focus be on retention and building a great community within the Antioch Police Department.

Councilmember Torres-Walker stated she appreciated the report and noted that she would consider incentives for a limited time.

Mayor Thorpe explained that his proposal was a temporary measure.

Councilmember Wilson stated she supported the current incentive program and looking at other incentive options.

Councilmember Ogorchock stated she did not want incentives to attract officers who would only be temporary. She expressed concern for the current police and community service officers who were not receiving an incentive to stay.

Mayor Thorpe commented that this policy could be used as a model for other city departments.

Following discussion, Council directed Mayor Thorpe to work with staff to develop a draft policy to bring back to Council for further discussion.

### **13. OVER HIRE OF SWORN POLICE OFFICERS**

Interim Chief Morefield presented the staff report dated April 26, 2022, recommending the City Council discuss and direct staff regarding the over hire of sworn police officers.

Mayor Thorpe announced that he had requested this item be brought back.

Councilmember Ogorchock stated her preference would be to add ten officers to the 115 authorized positions.

Councilmember Torres-Walker stated she would support over hiring of ten officers and requested information regarding the fiscal impact.

Councilmember Barbanica stated he also supported adding 10 officers to the 115 authorized positions and a discussion regarding the fiscal impact.

Following discussion, Council directed Mayor Thorpe to work with staff to develop a policy to bring back to Council for consideration.

### **14. DISCUSSION ITEM: FORMATION OF THE PUBLIC SERVICES AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

City Attorney Smith presented the staff report dated April 26, 2022, recommending the City Council provide direction including the following: 1) Whether staff should prepare an ordinance forming the Public Safety and Community Resources Department; and 2) If so, whether the ordinance should include a Public Safety Manager position or remain silent until later determination.

Councilmember Ogorchock commented that CDBG/Housing Consultant House as well as others had requested this department be named Public Services and Community Resources Department.

Following discussion, Council consensus directed staff to not bring back an ordinance at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Lacey Brown requested the City look for someone other than Focus Strategies to conduct a feasibility study for other Homekey project options. She discussed items she voluntarily provided to unhoused residents.

Lauren Posada, City Treasurer, thanked Council for their hard work. She discussed the resources needed by city departments to operate effectively. She asked Council to be mindful of the times and listen to the warnings. She expressed concern that staff reports this evening had not addressed fiscal impacts. She noted if Council was going to pivot what was underneath their umbrella, they should have conversations regarding what the results would be and determine funding sources upfront. She discussed the importance of determining priorities and outlining them in upcoming agenda packets.

**STAFF COMMUNICATIONS – None**

**COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Councilmember Torres-Walker thanked everyone who made public comments this evening and encouraged Council to put the needs of the community first. She requested staff agendize discussions regarding the following items: Antioch Police Department vehicle fleet, Solar installation at the Antioch Police Department and EV charging stations.

Councilmember Barbanica supported solar installation at city lots throughout Antioch. He suggested looking at distributing some of the ARPA funds to employees who remained and worked through COVID.

Councilmember Ogorchock supported discussions regarding the Antioch Police Department vehicle fleet and solar installation at City facilities.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica the City Council unanimously adjourned the meeting at 11:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

*Kitty Eiden*  
KITTY EIDEN, Minutes Clerk