MINUTES
FREMONT CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 13, 2021
FREMONT CITY HALL
VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM
7:00 P.M.

1. PRELIMINARY

A. Call to Order: Mayor Mei called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. Flag Salute: Councilmember Salwan led the salute to the flag.

C. Roll Call: Present: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Shao, Councilmembers: Keng, Jones, Kassan, Salwan, and Cox

D. Announcements by Mayor/City Manager – None.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

* A. Waive Reading of Ordinances: The City Attorney read the titles of ordinances to be considered.

On a motion by Councilmember Cox, seconded by Councilmember Jones, the City Council waived further readings of proposed ordinances.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Kassan, Councilmembers: Keng, Jones, Shao, Salwan, and Cox

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

* B. Approval of Minutes – None.

* C. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval of Plans and Specifications and Award of Contract to Chrisp Company in the Amount of $498,770.75 (plus 10% Contingency) for the Year 3 Bikeway Improvements Project; and Make Findings of CEQA Exemption (PWC 8874-C)

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar. Mayor Mei opened the item for public comment. Blair Beekman shared a variety of comments and thanked staff for the item. There being no additional speakers, Mayor Mei closed the public comment period. Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Councilmember Kassan stated for the record that she wanted the entire project to be approved and would be voting No on the item.

*Consent Items
On a motion by Councilmember Salwan, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council approved the following actions:

1. Found that this project is categorically exempt from review under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 as the repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing facilities involving no or negligible expansion of use beyond that presenting existing.
2. Approved the plans and specifications for this project except for the Paseo Padre Pkwy Project (Council pulled 1st item on project list).
3. Accepted the bid and awarded the construction contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Chrisp Company, in the amount of $498,770.75 and allocate a 10% contingency in the amount of $49,877 for a total contract amount of $548,647.75 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Shao, Councilmembers: Keng, Jones, Salwan, and Cox
Noes: Councilmember Kassan
Absent: None
Abstain: None

* D. Mayor Mei opened consideration to Approve and Authorize City Manager to Execute a Cooperative Purchase Agreement with H-GACBuy and Authorize Purchase of Fire Apparatus

On a motion by Councilmember Cox, seconded by Councilmember Jones, the City Council authorized the City Manager, or designee to issue a purchase order for two Pierce Manufacturing Type I Fire Engines in an amount not to exceed $1,772,551.89 using the H-GACBuy contract with Pierce Manufacturing.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Shao, Councilmembers: Keng, Jones, Kassan, and Salwan
Noes: Councilmember Cox
Absent: None
Abstain: None

* E. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval of Plans and Specifications for the Washington Boulevard/Osgood Road Intersection Safety Improvements Project; Award Contract to Golden Bay Construction, Inc. in the Amount of $848,907 (plus 10% Contingency); Appropriate Funds, and Make Findings of CEQA Exemptions (PWC 8156B).

On a motion by Councilmember Cox, seconded by Councilmember Jones, the City Council approved the following actions related to the Washington Boulevard/Osgood Road Intersection Safety Improvements Project (PWC8156B):

*Consent Items
1. Found that this project is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 as the repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing facilities involving no or negligible expansion of use beyond that presently existing.

2. Approved the plans and specifications for the project.

3. Accepted the bid and award the construction contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Golden Bay Construction, Inc. in the amount of $848,907 and allocate a 10% construction contingency in the amount of $84,891 for a total construction contract amount of $933,798, and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract.

4. Reallocated $80,000 from PWC 7953-531 to PWC 8156-531.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Shao, Councilmembers: Keng, Jones, Kassan, Salwan, and Cox

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

* F. Mayor Mei opened consideration of an Update on the Completion of the Age Well Center located at 47111 Mission Falls Court in Warm Spring/South Fremont; Related to FY 2021/22 and FY 2020/21 Appropriation Actions in the Capital Facilities Impact Fee Fund and the Capital Improvement Fund; Adopt a Finding that No Further Environmental Review Is Required Pursuant to the Requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as a Mitigated Negative Declaration was Previously Prepared and Adopted, which Adequately Addressed the Potential Impacts of the Proposed Project.

On a motion by Councilmember Cox, seconded by Councilmember Jones, the City Council approved the following actions:

1. Found that no further environmental review is required pursuant to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as a Mitigated Negative Declaration was previously prepared and adopted, which adequately addressed the potential impacts of the proposed project; and

2. Appropriated $1,301,929 in the Capital Facilities Impact Fee Fund to pay a portion of the final project costs due to the developer at acceptance by the City of the Age Well Center.

3. Appropriated $9,100,000 in the Capital Facilities Impact Fee Fund as of June 30, 2021 to the Downtown Event Center project.

4. Reallocated $9,100,000 in the Capital Improvement Fund from the Downtown Event Center Project to the Age Well Center Acquisition Reserve as of June 30, 2021.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Shao, Councilmembers: Keng, Jones, Kassan, Salwan, and Cox

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

*Consent Items
3. CEREMONIAL ITEMS – None.

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

A. Oral and Written Communications

Email submitted to the City Clerk were compiled, distributed to the City Council and staff, and published in the City's Agenda Center on fremont.gov, and were placed on file.

Blair Beekman and Silver Sonic shared a variety of comments and concerns.

5. SCHEDULED ITEMS

A. Mayor Mei opened consideration to Adopt a Resolution Declaring the Abandonment of the Proceedings for the Restructure and Reassessment of the Fremont Landscaping District 88 and Adopt a Resolution Confirming the Diagrams and Assessments for Fremont Landscaping Assessment District 88 Included in the Annual Assessment Reports and Levy the Assessments for Fiscal Year 2021/22.

No presentation. Vice Mayor Shao opened the public hearing. Blair Beekman shared concerns. There being no additional speakers, Vice Mayor Shao closed the public hearing. Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

On a motion by Councilmember Jones seconded by Councilmember Cox, the City Council approved the following actions:

1. Adopted Resolution No. 2021-48 declaring the abandonment of the proceedings for restructure and reassessment of the Fremont Landscaping Assessment District 88; and
2. Adopted Resolution No. 2021-49 confirming the diagrams and assessments for Fremont Landscaping Assessment District 88 as included in the annual assessment report and levy the assessments for Fiscal Year 2021/22.

Ayes: Vice Mayor Shao, Councilmembers: Keng, Jones, Kassan and Cox
Noes: None
Absent: None
Recused: Mayor Mei and Councilmember Salwan

B. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Amendment to the City of Fremont Master Fee Schedule Resolution to Update Certain Recreation Services Facility Use and Service Fees, and Amendment to the Recreation Facility Use Policy.

**See Green Sheet on file**

No presentation. Mayor Mei opened the public hearing. There being no speakers, Mayor Mei closed the public hearing. Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.
On a motion by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Salwan, the City Council approved the following actions:

1. Adopted Resolution No. 2021-50 to amend the City of Fremont Master Fee Schedule to establish rental fees for the newly constructed Downtown Event Center and Plaza; and
2. Adopted Resolution No. 2021-51 to amend the City of Fremont Recreation Facility Use Policy.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Shao, Councilmembers: Keng, Jones, Kassan, Salwan, and Cox
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

6. REPORT FROM CITY ATTORNEY – None.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

* A. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Information and Presentation Overview of upcoming City of Fremont Redistricting Process

Kristen Parks, Consultant with the National Demographics Corporation provided an overview. Mayor Mei opened the public hearing. Blair Beekman and Kelly Abreu shared a variety of comments and concerns. There being no additional speakers, Mayor Mei closed the public hearing. Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

The City Council received an informational overview of the upcoming City of Fremont Redistricting process.

8. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

A. Council Referrals – None.

B. Oral Reports on Meetings and Events – None.

Councilmembers reported on their various meetings and activities

9. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Mayor Mei adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Attest:                 Approved:

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Susan Gauthier, City Clerk     LILY MEI, Mayor