

**MINUTES
FREMONT CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 6, 2024
FREMONT CITY HALL AND
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, Campbell, Salwan, and Cox
Absent: Councilmember Kassan
- D. Announcements by Mayor/City Manager/City Attorney**

Mayor Mei announced the Boards and Commissions vacancies.

City Manager Shackelford shared information regarding items of Council/community interest.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

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

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

- * **B. Approval of Minutes – None.**

- * **C. Mayor Mei opened consideration to approve the Plans and Specifications for the Central Park Cricket Field Shades Project, Award a Construction Contract to Frontline General Engineering Construction, Inc. for the Bid Amount of \$102,528, plus a 10% Construction Contingency Amount of \$10,253, for a Total Construction Contract Amount of \$112,781, and Find the Project Exempt From Further Environmental Review Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 Existing Facilities (Central Park Cricket Field Shades Project (PWC9001))**

On a motion by Councilmember Salwan, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council:

1. Approved the Plans and Specifications for the Central Park Cricket Field Shades Project (PWC9001).
2. Accepted the bid, awarded a construction contract, and authorize the City Manager or her designee to execute all construction related agreements with the responsive and responsible bidder, Frontline General Engineering Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$102,528, plus a 10% construction Contingency amount of \$10,253, for a total construction contract amount of 112,781.
3. Found the Project exempt from further environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 Existing Facilities.

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

- * **D. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval to Authorize the City Manager or their Designee to Execute a Master Site License Agreement with Ava Community Energy for Electric Vehicle Fast Charging Stations at Multiple Locations and Find that the Action is Exempt from CEQA Review (Electric Vehicle Fast Charging Hubs)**

On a motion by Councilmember Salwan, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council authorized the City Manager or their designee to execute a master site license agreement with Ava Community Energy for electric vehicle fast charging hubs and find that the action is exempt from CEQA review.

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

* **E. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval of Specifications and Award of Contract to Global Road Sealing, Inc. in the Amount of \$155,000 (Including 20% Contingency) for the 2024 Citywide Pavement Crack Seal Project (PWC8195-W1); Make Findings of CEQA Exemption.**

On a motion by Councilmember Salwan, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council approved the following actions related to the 2024 Citywide Pavement Crack Seal Project (PWC8195-W1):

1. Approve the specifications for the project.
2. Accept the bid and award the construction contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Global Road Sealing, Inc. in the amount of \$129,000 and allocate a 20% construction contingency in the amount of \$26,000 for a total construction contract amount of \$155,000 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract.
3. Find the project is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301 as the maintenance, repair or minor alteration of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that presently exists.

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmember Kassan

Abstain: None

* **F. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval of Agreements for On-Call Qualified Stormwater Developer - Qualified Stormwater Practitioner (QSD-QSP) Consulting Services in the Amount of \$1,250,000 per Agreement with Keish Environmental, Millennium Consulting Associates, and Surf to Snow Environmental Resource Management, Inc. (Stormwater Consulting Services)**

On a motion by Councilmember Salwan, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council approved and authorized the City Manager or designee to execute a Master Service Agreement with the following three consultants:

1. Keish Environmental for on-call QSD-QSP consulting services for a total not-to-exceed compensation of \$1,250,000 for five years.
2. Millennium Consulting Associates for on-call QSD-QSP consulting services for a total not-to-exceed compensation of \$1,250,000 for five years.
3. S2S ERM, Inc. for on-call QSD-QSP consulting services for a total not-to-exceed compensation of \$1,250,000 for five years.
4. Found that the actions are exempt from environmental review as a separate and independent base for CEQA compliance, under CEQA Guidelines, Section 15378 (administrative and funding activity not a "project" under CEQA) and Section 15061 (no possibility the activity may have significant effect on the environment). Environmental

review will be conducted as part of the project environmental clearance process, as appropriate.

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

3. CEREMONIAL ITEMS

- A. **Presentation by SolSmart Recognizing Fremont as the Nation’s First City to Earn the Platinum Designation**
- B. **Recognition for the 2023 Synopsys Championship Science Fair Winners from Fremont**
- C. **Proclamation: Honoring the Divine Nine for Black History Month in Fremont**

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

A. Oral and Written Communications

The following persons commented: Thomas Cabral, Hiu Ng, Kirtida Desai, Grish Manmadkar, Suraj Sampath, Andrew Wang, Krish Ramachandran, Swati Tripathi, Rajeen Taitriya, Benjamin Yee, Master Long, Alex Woo, Henry Liang, Kelly Abreu, Jordan Ilagan, Gulled Roble, Sumaya Journati, Katelun Trieu, Roberta Ryan, Avani Bhatnagar, Nuha Khan, Aisha Siddiqui, Saeed Dazi, Shiraz Shahin, and Sharat Lin.

5. SCHEDULED ITEMS

- A. **Mayor Mei opened consideration of a Public Hearing (Published Notice) to Consider Adopting a Resolution Amending the Master Fee Schedule to Update Fremont Family Resource Center Fees. (Human Services Department Master Fee Schedule Update)**

On a motion by Councilmember Salwan, seconded by Councilmember Cox, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-02 amending the following section of the Master Fee Schedule as recommended by staff, effective immediately following Council adoption: Section V. Human Services, F. Fremont Family Resource Center, 2) Rates for Family Resource Center and making findings of CEQA exemption.

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

6. OTHER BUSINESS – None.

7. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCILMEMBERS

A. Council Referrals – None.

B. Appointments to Boards, Commissions, Committees

1. Mayor Mei opened consideration of MAYOR MEI REFERRAL: Appointments to Advisory Body

APPOINTMENTS:

<i>Advisory Body</i>	<i>Appointee</i>	<i>Term Expires</i>
Human Relations Commission	Subash Sundaresan	12/31/2027
Human Relations Commission	Geeta Kadambi	12/31/2027
Human Relations Commission	Karen Stiller	12/31/2027

On a motion by Councilmember Cox, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council approved appointments.

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

C. Legislative Actions – None.

D. Report on Committee Assignments

Councilmembers reported on their various meetings.

8. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Mayor Mei adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

Alberto Quintanilla, Management Analyst

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