

**MINUTES  
FREMONT CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MAY 21, 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 7:01 p.m.
- B. Flag Salute:** Councilmember Campbell led the salute to the flag.
- C. Roll Call:** Present: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Shao (via Zoom), Councilmembers: Keng, Campbell, Kassan, Salwan, and Cox
- D. Announcements by Mayor/City Manager**  
  
Mayor Mei announced the Boards and Commissions vacancies.  
  
City Manager Shackelford shared information regarding items of Council/community interest.
- E. Report Out of Closed Session – 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 Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council waived further readings of proposed ordinances.

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

- \* **B. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval of Minutes**

On a motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council approved minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 7, 2024, and the Regular Meeting of May 14, 2024.

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

**\* C. Mayor Mei opened consideration to Approve a Professional Services Agreement with Park Engineering, Inc., in the Amount of \$1,170,000 (Including 20% Contingency), for Construction Management Services for the Centerville Complete Streets Project (PWC8946); and Make Findings of CEQA Exemption.**

On a motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council approved the following actions related to the Centerville Complete Streets Project (PWC8946):

1. Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Park Engineering, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,170,000 for construction management services.
2. Find 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).

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Shao, Councilmembers: Keng, Campbell, Kassan, and Cox  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: Councilmember Salwan (business/property interest)

**\* D. Mayor Mei opened consideration to Authorize the City Manager, or her Designee, to Issue a Purchase Order with Stommel Inc, dba LEHR in the amount not to exceed \$714,727.23 for the Purchase of Panasonic Mobile Data Computers and to Execute Any Implementing Documents and Take Any Implementing Actions as Necessary.**

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar. Staff responded to questions from Councilmember Campbell.

On a motion by Councilmember Cox, seconded by Councilmember Salwan, the City Council authorized the City Manager, or her designee, to issue a purchase order to Stommel Inc, dba LEHR in the amount not-to-exceed \$714,727.23 (including applicable sales tax and shipping charges) for the purchase of Panasonic mobile data computers, printers, and accessories and to execute any implementing documents and take any implementing actions as necessary.

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

- \* **E. Mayor Mei opened consideration to Authorize the City Manager, or her Designee, to Issue a Purchase Order to Eplus Technology, Inc., in the amount of \$236,743.06 for the Purchase of an additional Appliance for the Rubrik Enterprise Backup and Recovery Solution. (City Backup and Recovery Solution)**

On a motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council authorized the City Manager, or her designee, to issue a purchase order to Eplus Technology, Inc. in the amount of \$236,743.06 (including applicable sales tax and shipping charges) for the purchase of an additional appliance for the Rubrik Enterprise Backup and Recovery Solution and to execute any implementing documents and take any implementing actions as necessary.

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

- \* **F. Mayor Mei opened consideration to Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Purchase Order and Utilize the Sourcewell Contract with Golden State Fire Apparatus to Purchase a Pierce Hazardous Materials Vehicle**

On a motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council authorized the City Manager or designee to issue a purchase order to Golden State Fire Apparatus for a Pierce Hazardous Materials Vehicle in a total amount not to exceed \$1,778,567 using the terms of the Sourcewell contract to be paid through the Fire Capital Replacement Fund (Fund 615).

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

- \* **G. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval to Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds from the Safe Routes to BART Program in the Amount of \$3,000,000 for the Fremont Boulevard Elevated Bikeway Project (PWC9100-B) Located in the Downtown Fremont Area; Make Finding of CEQA Exemption (Fremont Boulevard Multimodal Improvements)**

On a motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council approved of the following actions related to the Fremont Boulevard Elevated Bikeway Project (PWC9100-B):

1. Authorize the City Manager or designee to accept the SR2B grant and to execute any associated grant agreements or documents.

2. Appropriate \$3,000,000 in SR2B grant funds to PWC9100-571 (Fremont Boulevard Elevated Bikeway Project).
3. Find the action is exempt from CEQA review per CEQA Guidelines, section 15061 9(b)(3).

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

**\* H. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval to Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Purchase Order and Utilize the Sourcewell Contract with Polaris Sales Inc. to Purchase two Polaris Utility Terrain Vehicles (UTV)**

On a motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Keng, the City Council authorized the City Manager or her designee to issue a purchase order to Polaris Sales for two UTV's in a total amount not to exceed \$111,057 using the terms of the Sourcewell contract to be paid through the Fire Capital Replacement Fund (Fund 615).

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

**3. CEREMONIAL ITEMS**

**A. Certificates of Recognition: League of Women Voters – Youth Vote Movement**

**4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. Oral and Written Communications ???**

Communications 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.

The following people commented: Ashwin Raghuraman, Emilio Garcia w/UA Local 342 (provided a handout), Hiu Ng, Ghada Srouf Musselman, Brandon M. Evans w/IBEW Local 595 (provided a handout), Brian Werner w/Sheet Metal Workers Local 104, Dave Ohagin w/Sheet Metal Workers Local 104, and Shareen Ram w/AC Transit (provided a handout).

**5. SCHEDULED ITEMS – None.**

## 6. OTHER BUSINESS

### A. Mayor Mei opened consideration of a Union Sanitary District (USD) general update to Council including highlights of current initiatives. Presentation by USD General Manager Paul Eldredge

Union Sanitary District General Manager Paul Eldredge gave a presentation and responded to questions from Councilmembers. The City Council received the presentation and provided comments.

### B. Mayor Mei opened consideration of a Presentation and Recommended Adoption of a Draft 5 Year Strategic Plan to Address Homelessness in Fremont (Homelessness Response Strategic Plan)

Communications 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.

Homeless Services Manager Laurie Flores, and Deputy City Manager Allen DeMers, shared a presentation, along with consultant Elaine de Coligny, with EdeColigny Consulting LLC. Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Mayor Mei opened the public comment period. The following people commented: David Scandling (provided a handout, but left prior to speaking), Hiu Ng, ML Harris (Fremont for Everyone (FFE)), John Hinds, Kate Amon (FFE), Vivian Wan (CEO of Abode Services), Sandra Moore (FFE), Albert Tsui (provided a handout), Shailesh Dave, Shiv Kumar, Sathya Krishnamurthy spoke on behalf of wife Sheila Mani, Bhakti P., Zackary Tsui, Nadia Tsui, Indravaradhan Shaktawat, Emma Li, Jason Chui, Hui Li, Tej, Khyati, UG, Minakshi, Chandra Wagh, Jhansi Kalapala, Anandha Ramamoorthy, Satyajit, Achintya, Ashish Swaroop, Sandya, Gowthana Raman, Golden Shao, and Piyush Thacker. There being no additional speakers, Mayor Mei closed the public comment period. This was followed by questions and comments from Councilmembers.

On a motion by Councilmember Salwan, seconded by Councilmember Campbell, the City Council received the report and adopted this Citywide Homelessness Response Plan.

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

## 7. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCILMEMBERS

A. Council Referrals – None.

B. Appointments to Boards, Commissions, Committees – None.

**C. Legislative Actions – None.**

**D. Report on Committee Assignments – None.**

**8. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Mayor Mei adjourned the meeting at 11:55 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

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Susan Gauthier, City Clerk

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LILY MEI, Mayor