

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
April 21, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE IN HONOR OF THE US MILITARY TROOPS

The City Council Meeting was held in the Pinole Council Chambers, 2131 Pear Street, Pinole, California. Mayor Swearingen called the Regular Meeting of the City Council to order **6:00** p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL, CITY CLERK'S REPORT & STATEMENT OF CONFLICT

A. COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT

Roy Swearingen, Mayor
Norma Martinez-Rubin, Mayor Pro Tem
Peter Murray, Councilmember
Vincent Salimi, Councilmember
Anthony Tave, Councilmember

B. STAFF PRESENT

Andrew Murray, City Manager
Hector De La Rosa, Assistant City Manager
Heather Iopu, City Clerk
Eric Casher, City Attorney
Tamara Miller, Development Services Director/City Engineer
Neil Gang, Police Chief
Chris Wynkoop, Fire Chief

City Clerk Iopu announced the agenda was posted on April 16, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. All legally required notice was provided. City Clerk Iopu announced change to the attendees of the Closed Session with City Manager Murray and Greg Ramirez as the Agency designated representatives. Announced that public comments would be received by email to the City Clerk during the meeting.

Following an inquiry to the Council, the Council reported there were no conflicts with any items on the agenda.

3. CONVENE TO A CLOSED SESSION

Citizens may address the Council regarding a Closed Session item prior to the Council adjourning into the Closed Session, by first providing a speaker card to the City Clerk.

A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Gov. Code § 54957.6

Agency designated representatives: City Manager Andrew Murray, Assistant City Manager Hector De La Rosa, Greg Ramirez

Employee organizations: PPEA

B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

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Agency designated representatives: City Manager Andrew Murray, Assistant City Manager Hector De La Rosa, Greg Ramirez

Employee organizations: IAFF

C. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

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Employee organizations: Unrepresented positions- Assistant City Manager, Development Services Director, City Engineer, Finance Director, Fire Chief, Police Chief, Fire Battalion Chief, Human Resources Specialist, Planning Manager, Police Lieutenant, Public Works Manager, Recreation Manager, WWTP Manager

Mayor Swearingen convened the meeting to closed session at 6:02 p.m.

4. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO ANNOUNCE RESULTS OF CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Swearingen reconvened the meeting at 6:23 p.m. and announced that there was no reportable action

Mayor Swearingen gave his report to the public with information regarding the Covid-19 health crisis and encouragement to the public to stay safe and contact the City for assistance with questions and concerns.

5. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (Public Comments)

Citizens may speak under any item not listed on the Agenda. The time limit is 3 minutes, and is subject to modification by the Mayor. Pursuant to provisions of the Brown Act, no action may be taken on a matter unless it is listed on the agenda, or unless certain emergency or special circumstances exist. The City Council may direct staff to investigate and/or schedule certain matters for consideration at a future Council meeting.

The following speakers submitted written comments that were read aloud and will be filed with the agenda packet for this meeting: **Rafael Menis, David Rupert, James Family & Friends**

6. RECOGNITIONS / PRESENTATIONS / COMMUNITY EVENTS

A. Proclamations

B. Presentations / Recognitions

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and noncontroversial. These items will be enacted by one motion and without discussion. If, however, any interested party or Council member(s) wishes to comment on an item, they may do so before action is taken on the Consent

Calendar. Following comments, if a Council member wishes to discuss an item, it will be removed from the Consent Calendar and taken up in order after adoption of the Consent Calendar.

The following speaker submitted written comments on Item 7D that were read aloud and will be filed with the agenda packet record for this meeting: **Rafael Menis**

Council members asked questions of staff regarding item 7G. Staff responded to questions.

- A. Approve the Minutes of the Meeting of March 3, 2020
- B. Receive the April 4, 2020 – April 17, 2020 List of Warrants in the Amount of \$621,286.00 and the April 17, 2020 Payroll in the Amount of \$400,393.08
- C. Resolution Confirming Continued Existence Of Local Emergency **[Action: Adopt Resolution per Staff Recommendation (Casher)]**
- D. Receive The Quarterly Investment Report For The Quarter Ending March 31, 2020 **[Action: Receive and File Report (A. Miller)]**
- E. Storm Water Utility Assessments For Drainage Maintenance And The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program UA **[Action: Adopt Resolution per Staff Recommendation (T. Miller)]**
- F. Adopt A Resolution To Authorize The City Manager To Execute Cooperative Funding Agreements To Receive WCCTAC STMP Funds For Two Capital Improvement Projects **[Action: Adopt Resolution per Staff Recommendation (T. Miller)]**
- G. Battalion 7 Automatic Aid Agreement **[Action: Adopt Resolution per Staff Recommendation (Wynkoop)]**

ACTION: Motion by Council Members Martinez-Rubin/Murray to approve Consent Calendar Items A-G

Vote:	Passed	5-0
	Ayes:	Swearingen, Martinez-Rubin, Murray, Salimi, Tave
	Noes:	None
	Abstain:	None
	Absent:	None

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Citizens wishing to speak regarding a Public Hearing item should fill out a speaker card prior to the completion of the presentation, by first providing a speaker card to the City Clerk. An official who engaged in an ex parte communication that is the subject of a Public Hearing must disclose the communication on the record prior to the start of the Public Hearing.

NONE

9. OLD BUSINESS

NONE

10. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Adopt A Resolution To Authorize The City Manager To Execute The CALWARN Mutual Assistance Agreement [**Action: Adopt Resolution per Staff Recommendation (T. Miller)**]

City Manager Murray presented report and background information on the item.

Council members made comments and asked questions of staff. Staff responded to questions.

ACTION: Motion by council members Tave/Murray to Adopt A Resolution To Authorize The City Manager To Execute The CALWARN Mutual Assistance Agreement

Vote:	Passed	5-0
	Ayes:	Swearingen, Martinez-Rubin, Murray, Salimi, Tave
	Noes:	None
	Abstain:	None
	Absent:	None

11. REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Mayor Report
1. Announcements
- B. Mayoral & Council Appointments
- C. City Council Committee Reports & Communications

Mayor Pro Tem provided an update on the Beautification Ad Hoc committee. Discussed topics of the recent remote meeting. Provided an update on Census activities.

Council member Tave shared website for more COVID-19 information and provided current health statistics related to the health crisis. Announced that Assembly Member Wicks is addressing concerns for small business owners. Encouraged local business owners to contact her for more information,

Mayor Swearingen reported the upcoming remote meeting of WestCAT.

Council member Salimi announced recent local statistics of the COVID-19 crisis. Stated that we have made progress but we have more work to do with regard to testing.

Council member Murray announced that AAA is offering support services related to COVID-19 and members can reach out to them to find out more.

D. Council Requests For Future Agenda Items

None.

A. City Manager Report / Department Staff

City Manager Murray encouraged the public to check the City website for important information on the COVID-19 situation and resources that are available.

B. City Attorney Report

City Attorney Casher announced upcoming meeting of the Municipal Code Update committee. Announced that he is working with the other City Attorneys in the region to ensure we are keeping with best practices as we navigate the COVID-19 crisis.

12. ADJOURNMENT to the Regular City Council Meeting of May 5, 2020 In Remembrance of Amber Swartz.

At 7:10 p.m., Mayor Swearingen adjourned to the Regular City Council Meeting of May 5, 2020 In Remembrance of Amber Swartz.

Submitted by:



Heather Iopu, CMC
City Clerk

Approved by City Council: May 19, 2020

