

CITY OF SAN MATEO

Regular Meeting Minutes

City Council Meeting

October 2, 2023
City Hall Council Chambers 7:00 PM
Regular Meeting

CALL TO ORDER at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Deputy Mayor Diaz Nash, Council Members: Hedges, Loraine and Newsom

Excused: Mayor Lee, representing San Mateo in Toyonaka, Japan for the 60th anniversary of the Sister City Relationship

CEREMONIAL

1. Breast Cancer Awareness Month – Proclamation, San Mateo Police Chief Ed Barberini received the proclamation.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items, 2 through 7, were considered to be routine by the City Council. After the titles of the items were read by the City Clerk, the public was invited to comment and there were two speakers: Diana Petit and Dave Cohen, Ethics San Mateo, commented on item #7, indicating they would like the problem on Humboldt fixed before anything else moves ahead on that project. Motion passed 4-0.

Moved: Loraine, Seconded: Hedges

Ayes: Diaz Nash, Hedges, Loraine, and Newsom

Noes: None

2. Grand Jury Report: "Bike Safety in San Mateo County - Making Bicycling Safer in the County" – Response Letter
Approve a letter responding to the July 10, 2023, San Mateo County Civil Grand Jury report entitled, "Bike Safety in San Mateo County - Making Bicycling Safer in the County" and authorize the Mayor to sign and send the letter on behalf of the City Council.
3. Bermuda Drive Bridge Replacement Project – Amendment
Approve Amendment No. 2 with Biggs Cardosa Associates, Inc. for professional design and environmental services for the Bermuda Drive Bridge Replacement Project in an amount not to exceed \$381,000 for a total agreement amount of \$1,032,874; increase the contingency reserve by \$120,000 for a total contingency amount of \$150,000; extend the term of the Agreement by one year; and authorize the Public Works Director to execute the amendment in substantially the form presented and issue change orders within the contingency amount.
4. Edward Byrne 2023 Justice Assistance Grant Program – Application
Adopt a Resolution to approve the submittal of an application to the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program for the 2023 local solicitation in the amount of \$22,713; and if awarded, appropriate funds to the Police Grants Budget Program and authorize the Chief of Police to execute all required documents.

Enactment: Resolution No. 105 (2023)

5. Private Development and Right-of-Way Support Services – Amendment

Approve Amendment No. 1 to the professional consultant services agreement with CSG Consultants, Inc. for private development and right-of-way support services to increase the agreement amount by \$90,000 for a revised total not-to-exceed amount of \$240,000; and authorize the Public Works Director to execute the amendment in substantially the form presented.

6. General Plan Update – Supplemental Budget Appropriation and Amendment

Adopt a Resolution to appropriate \$227,600 from the Advance Planning Fund to the General Plan Update project; approve Amendment No. 5 to the agreement with PlaceWorks Inc. for the General Plan Update to modify the scope of work and increase the contract amount by \$227,600 for a total not to exceed amount of \$2,845,010 to complete additional tasks, technical evaluations and community outreach activities to support completion of the General Plan Update; extend the term of the agreement through December 31, 2024; and authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment in substantially the form presented.

Enactment: Resolution No. 106 (2023)

7. Delaware Safe Routes to School Corridor – Grant Funding Acceptance

Adopt a Resolution to approve the acceptance of \$1,661,000 of California Transportation Commission Active Transportation Program Cycle 5 grant funding for the Delaware Safe Routes to School Corridor Project.

Enactment: Resolution No. 107 (2023)

PUBLIC COMMENT – Michael Sevillia commented on the VIP registration program at Poplar Creek Golf Course. Michael Ragan, Bereford Hills Neighborhood Association, requested that action be taken on pedestrian safety. Ligia Andrade Zuniga, Latina Leadership Coalition of the Bay Area, spoke about an upcoming event at Sequoia High School.

OLD BUSINESS

8. Draft General Plan 2040 – Community Design and Historic Resources; Conservation, Open Space, and Recreation; and Noise Elements

Zachary Dahl, Community Development Deputy Director, and Joanna Jansen, Placeworks, Consultant, provided a presentation outlining a history and overview of the General Plan regarding specific features and reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule. Council asked questions of staff.

Public Comment – Ken Abreu spoke to conservation of park and recreation. Laurie Watanuki commented on the need for a smaller downtown. Laurie Hietter commented on historic districts. Lisa Vande Voorde spoke in defense of historic resources. Council recessed from 8:25 p.m. to 8:31 p.m.

Public Comment (continued) – Speaking to the item: Cameron Rolfe; Dave Cohen; Michael Weinbauer; Michael Grubb; James Clarke; George; Leonard Frank; Randy Fine; and Jordan Grimes. The city explained the public comment rules and the requirement to stay on topic and approximately twelve additional remote speakers offered off topic comments and were virtually removed from the meeting.

Council consensus was they appreciated and support staff's recommendation with regard to changes to the draft General Plan and elements discussed. Mr. Dahl will take into consideration Council's direction and will bring back to Council for approval later in the process.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager, City Attorney and Council Members reported on their various assignments and liaison roles.

ADJOURNMENT –The meeting adjourned in memory of Jerry Weiss at 9:55 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

SUBMITTED BY:

Lisa Diaz Nash, Deputy Mayor

Patrice Olds, City Clerk