

MINUTES OF THE DAVIS CITY COUNCIL
Meeting of April 4, 2017

The City Council of the City of Davis met in regular session beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Chambers, 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, California. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Davis.

Roll Call:

Councilmembers Present: Will Arnold, Lucas Frerichs, Brett Lee, Rochelle Swanson, Robb Davis

Councilmembers Absent: None

Other Officers Present: City Manager Dirk Brazil, City Attorney Harriet Steiner, City Clerk Zoe Mirabile

Approval of Agenda L. Frerichs moved, seconded by W. Arnold, to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Closed Session City Council convened a closed session pursuant to Government Code §54954.5 to discuss the following:

Conference with Real Property Negotiators:

Property: 24662 County Road 102 (APN: 042-110-009)

Agency Negotiators: City Attorney Harriet Steiner, City Manager Dirk Brazil, Assistant City Manager Mike Webb, Assistant City Manager Kelly Stachowicz, Sustainability Manager Mitch Sears

Negotiating Parties: Photovoltaics for Utility Systems Application (PVUSA) and Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E)

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

City Council returned to open session at 6:30 p.m. with no reportable action.

Ceremonial Presentations Proclamation Declaring April 9-15 National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week was presented by Mayor Davis.

Recognition and Celebration of the City of Davis Centennial – Re-enactment of the First City Council Meeting

City Manager Announcements D. Brazil: Transportation staff working with Caltrans on freeway signage at I-80 before Olive Drive. Integrated Pest Management workshop on April 6 at Senior Center.

City Council Announcements R. Swanson & B. Lee: Subcommittee has been meeting with staff regarding sister cities. Moving forward on next steps and collaborating with International House.

B. Lee: Attended a regional gathering of Mayors.

R. Davis: Regional Water Authority, expressed interest in having Davis join; will follow up with staff.

Public Comments

- Mariyam Azam: Surveillance ordinance submitted to Human Relations Commission in February. Request status update. Purpose of ordinance is to foster environment of transparency regarding new technology obtained by city
- Sheila Allen: Water main broke near residence last weekend. Public Works staff responded immediately.
- Aleem Shabar: Invite city and Council to celebrate United Nations 4th International Day for Sport and Development of Peace on April 6. Sports are important for youth and development.

Consent Calendar

Utility Line Easement – PVUSA Site

1. Approved Resolution No. 17-035 - Authorizing City Manager or His Designee to Take All Actions Necessary to Enter into an Easement with PG&E Allowing New Power Line Poles to be Placed on City Owned Property on Pole Line Road Subject to PVUSA Agreement to Remove the Poles and Extinguishment of the Easement by PG&E Upon Decommissioning of the PVUSA Site
2. Found that the previously issued Categorical Exemption by Yolo County addressed the potential environmental impacts of the placement of the power line and poles on City property

Weed Abatement 2017 – Setting a Public Hearing on May 16, 2017 for Owners to Object to Proposed Removal of Weeds

Approved Resolution No. 17-036 - Declaring Weeds Growing Upon Private Property within the City of Davis to be a Public Nuisance: Directing the Chief of the Fire Department to Post or Mail Notice to Destroy Weeds, and Providing Notice of Hearing on Objections Thereto Pursuant to California Government Code, Article 2, Section 39560 Through 39588

California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES)/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Disaster Relief Reimbursement

Approved the CalOES/FEMA Form 130 “Designation of Applicant’s Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies”

Request for Proposal for Banking Services

Approved the Banking Request for Proposal and banking distribution list

2017 Environmental Recognition Awards (ERA)

Approved nominations from the Natural Resources Commission for the 2017 Environmental Recognition Awards. The Awards will be presented at the April 18, 2016 City Council meeting.

Letter to UC Davis Regarding the Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) – Follow-up to Mayor/Chancellor Meeting

Informational

Social Services Commission Minutes from the Meetings of November 21 and December 19, 2016, and January 23, 2017
Informational

R. Swanson moved, seconded by W. Arnold, to approve the consent calendar as listed above. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing:
Proposed Zoning Amendments Regulating Personal Cultivation of Cannabis; Update on Proposed Timeline for Commercial Cannabis Regulations

Assistant Director Community Development & Sustainability Ashley Feeney: Ordinance allows cultivation indoors or outdoors; scheduled to go into effect end of May. Future ordinances regulating manufacturing, testing, research & development and distribution scheduled to go to Council May 23. Dispensaries and commercial cultivation ordinances will follow.

Mayor Davis opened the public hearing.

· Eric Gudz: Thank Council for replacing word marijuana with cannabis. Thank staff and Council for speeding up manufacturing, testing and R&D process.

Mayor Davis closed the public hearing.

R. Swanson moved, seconded by L. Frerichs, to introduce Ordinance Repealing Section 40.26.276, and Adding Article 40.26A of the Zoning Code Related to Personal Cultivation of Cannabis and Related Definitions, regulating activities related to non-commercial, personal use, indoor and outdoor cannabis cultivation in residential zones, and potential performance standards for indoor and outdoor cultivation. Motion passed unanimously.

City Council / Finance and Budget Commission Joint Discussion – 2017 Commission Workplan and City Council Goals/Priorities for Commission Focus and Activities

Finance and Budget Commission (FBC) members present: Jeff Miller, Matt Williams, Dan Carson, Ray Solomon, Bill Wood, Paul Jacobs

Commission comments included:

Ray Solomon: Efficiency, Cost Containment and Fund Balances Subcommittee-- Looking at general efficiencies, contain cost—provide neutral choices to Council, opportunities to move funds to pay down debt or unmet infrastructure needs

Dan Carson: Optimization of City Revenues, Assets and Resources Subcommittee—explore rate increases as well as other revenues. Work product—early look at parcel tax renewal, considering broad structural issues before getting caught up in details. Long Range development plan—opportunity to negotiate binding MOUs that produce revenue streams and other forms of mitigation for host campus cities. Also looking at leveraging surplus city assets—ways to sell, lease, create concessions. Interested in potential for establishing fees to dampen demand for fire department services. Question is whether some institutions in town that are generating services should pay fees.

Bill Wood: Information Technology Transformation Subcommittee—Current systems limited in ability to provide data to make financial decisions. Recommendation to initiate investigation of current systems, with future state of being able to

receive data. Suggest holistic study of entire city, not just one department. Comprehensive view. Specific ask to set expectation that this is priority for city.

Matt Williams: Long-Range Forecast of City Needs and Revenues Subcommittee—Need method to convey city’s entire financial position over long time, forecast out for useful life of assets. Subcommittee created tool to provide a model for showing impact of different possibilities, Project TOTO. City hired consultant Bob Leeland to provide an in depth model, possibly too much information for citizen review. Want to have environment that allows decisions to be made in open and efficient way. OpenGov offered to come to city to provide update to get information needed to residents. Help make informed decisions.

Jeff Miller: Significant shortages, hundreds of millions of dollars to fund unmet needs. Suggest setting up non profit to maintain Project TOTO model that was developed.

Council comments included:

R. Davis: Encourage commission to look at internet sales. Understand what is possible.

W. Arnold: Also interested in internet sales, increasing challenge. Optimization—recognize opportunities and take measures to maximize them.

R. Swanson: Support infrastructure to educate residents. Interested in seeing sooner rather than later.

R. Davis: Hope FBC can help dig into assumptions with Bob Leeland model. Ask critical questions. Look at ways to share information, how to use images and limited text to communicate challenges. Is there a way to bring Leeland model and Project TOTO together to present visually compelling information containing rich data? Come up with ways, communications tools, web based, app based. May need to bring in more people to help communicate creatively.

L. Frerichs: OpenGov—last updated in 2014/15. Interested in fully utilizing software. Tool to educate public. Fiscal models are important, provide transparency. Project TOTO—name is problematic. Regarding narrative: Good example—Rancho Cordova published a community enhancement fund citizen report, how sales taxes are spent.

City Council recessed at 8:15 p.m. and reconvened at 8:24 p.m.

Financial Forecasting Model

Bob Leeland, Management Partners: Summarized assumptions and presented budget model, a tool to produce a 20-year forecast. Forecast is the financial outcome from a given set of assumptions. Budget sets annual spending priorities. Operations vs. infrastructure vs. unfunded liabilities. Need to achieve balance among competing financial goals.

Public comments:

- Dan Carson, FBC: Good model, can be used for different purposes. Assumptions are reasonable. Can be used to assess unfunded liabilities from personnel and capital outlay. Will be useful to all.
- Matt Williams: Thank Council and city for funding development of model. Should have a long term contract with Leeland to update and use model in conjunction with staff.

Council comments included:

R. Swanson: Should use regularly when projects come before Council to inform their choices, and during budget updates. Project possible cost savings.

B. Lee: Suggest assumptions spelled out in advance. Council may want to weigh in on variables.

R. Davis: Request Leeland go through assumptions with FBC and answer questions. Would like Council to review key assumptions. Need to be able to present information to public that gaps in funding have impacts, greater deterioration and lower levels of service over time. Cost containment suggestions: Alternative ways of delivering services. Partnering with other agencies for cost savings on bids. Request staff work with Leeland to help lead an analysis, possibly with FBC subcommittee. Systematic look at best practices across the state. Consider broader citizens group, Task Force.

Fiscal Year
2016/2017
Budget Update

Finance Administrator Kelly Fletcher: Summary of mid-year budget update— Revenue and expenditure results through the first seven months of fiscal year 2016/17 and an update on General Fund estimates through the end of the fiscal year (June 30, 2017).

B. Lee: Suggest outreach to public on how funds are being spent to improve traffic flow, safety, quality of life. Consider signage that can be re-purposed for other projects.

Public Works Director Bob Clarke: May want to look at priorities from walk-bike audit based on engagement from School District and their perspective on prioritizing list of improvements.

W. Arnold moved, seconded by R. Swanson, to direct staff to release two of the proposed Capital expenditures to be included in the Fiscal Year 2017/18 budget process: \$500,000 to citywide signal upgrades and \$500,000 to Birch Lane – bike-walk audit report improvements (cost upgraded to current estimate). Motion passed unanimously.

City Council
Brief Commu-
nications

None

Long Range
Calendar

D. Brazil: May 16—Police Department Strategic Plan. May 23—scheduled as a regular meeting.

L. Frerichs: Consider meeting on April 25. Too much anticipated on April 18. By consensus, schedule regular meeting on April 25 (if needed)

B. Lee: Add Surveillance Ordinance to upcoming items with no set date

D. Brazil: Discussions occurring between City Attorney and Police Department; will come back, just not sure of timeline yet.

R. Davis: Request staff report on cost containment options. Council consensus.

L. Frerichs: Agree with agendaing, but not supportive of Task Force

D. Brazil: Best practices can be brought back during budget. Can contract with Leeland.

Public comment:

- Matt Williams: Support Cost containment on long range. Development impact fees have not been updated since 2009; should be analyzed sooner rather than later

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 10:11 p.m.

Zoe Mirabile
City Clerk