

MINUTES OF THE DAVIS CITY COUNCIL
Meeting of April 23, 2024

The City Council of the City of Davis met in regular meeting session beginning at 6:45 p.m. in the Community Chambers, 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, California. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Josh Chapman.

Roll Call: Councilmembers Present: Will Arnold, Donna Neville, Gloria Partida, Bapu Vaitla, Josh Chapman

Councilmembers Absent: None

Other Officers Present: City Manager Michael Webb, City Attorney Inder Khalsa, City Clerk Zoe Mirabile

Approval of Agenda B. Vaitla moved, seconded by D. Neville, to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Ceremonial Presentations Proclamations Recognizing:
A. April 22 as Earth Day, presented by B. Vaitla
B. April 27 as Arbor Day, presented by G. Partida

City Council recessed at 6:52 p.m. and reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

City Manager Announcements M. Webb: April 29—Applications for city advisory commissions due. Sycamore Park unveiling of new memorial bench and bike path named for Karim Abou-Najm. May 1—Picnic in the Park event returns, Wednesdays in Central Park. May 5—Loopalooza Bike Loop, 12-mile loop with 11 interactive stations.

City Council Announcements and Liaison Reports J. Chapman: Thank staff for work in support of Picnic Day event on April 20.

Public Comments

- Ning Wan: Relayed personal experience
- Inev, Dan Novattia, Robert Holland, Natalia, Margaret, and unnamed individual: Concerned about recent antisemitism incidents. Request Council consider a resolution addressing antisemitism.
- Alan Miller: People using scooters are not obeying traffic laws, need to enforce.
- Connor Gorman: UCD Powwow and City Cesar Chavez Celebration cancelled due to weather. Consent calendar item E Street Plaza Restriction Ordinance—should be creating more public space especially downtown.

- Christina Smith: Unitrans Advisory Committee is considering raising rates at public hearing this week.
- Todd Edelman: Support ceremonial Proclamations Earth and Arbor Day.

Consent Calendar

Senior Center Facility Improvement Project, CIP No. ET8280
Approve Resolution No. 24-047 - Awarding Contract to CNW Construction, Inc. for Construction of the Senior Center Facility Improvement Project, Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Contract and Amendment No. 3 to the Professional Services Agreement with HMR Architects, Approving Task Order 31 with WSP for Construction Management and Inspection Services, and Finding the Project Exempt from Review Pursuant to CEQA Regulation Guidelines Sections §15301 Existing Facilities, 15304 Minor Alterations to Land, and 15311 Accessory Structures, and Categorically Excluded Per Title 24, Code of Federal Regulations Section 58.35(A) and Subject to the Laws and Authorities at Section 58.5

Water System Saddle Replacements – 2024, CIP No. ET8190 (*Public Works Engineering & Transportation*)
Approve Resolution No. 24-048 - Awarding Construction Contract to C.E. Cox Engineering, Inc. for the Water System Saddle Replacements - 2024, Authorizing City Manager to Execute Contract, and Finding the Project Exempt from Review Pursuant to CEQA Regulation Guidelines Sections §15302 Replacement or Reconstruction

North/West and South/East Landscape Maintenance Service Agreements Through July 2026
Approve Resolution No. 24-049 - Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with Brightview Landscape Services for Contracted Landscape Maintenance Services

Repair and Restoration Work for Watchman #8 Sculpture in Slide Hill Park

1. February 2024 Civic Arts Commission Action Item: Receive Civic Arts Commission recommendation to conduct needed repairs on *Watchman #8*, a public artwork in Slide Hill Park.
2. Approve Resolution No. 24-050 - Declaring the Repair and Restoration Work for Watchman #8 an Emergency for Safety Reasons, Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Construction Contract with J-Walt Construction for Repair of Watchman #8, a Public Sculpture in Slide Hill Park, and Amending the FY24 Municipal Arts Fund Budget

Amendment #1 to North Davis Meadows Water Service Agreement

Approve Resolution No. 24-051 - Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Amendment #1 to the Agreement with Yolo County to Provide Potable Water Service to the North Davis Meadows County Service Area

J. Chapman recused due to business location within 500ft of E Street Plaza.

Proposed Restrictions on Use of the E Street Plaza Municipal Parking Lot

Introduce Ordinance Adding Section 22.08.155 to Article 22.08 of the Davis Municipal Code Regarding the Use of the Davis Municipal Parking Lot, Commonly Known as the E Street Plaza Parking Lot

Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Arnold, Neville, Partida, Vaitla

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Chapman (recuse)

2024 Golden Heart Awards Recipient Recommendations

Ratify nominations from the selection committee for the 2024 Golden Heart Awards. The awards will be presented on May 7, 2024.

2024 Environmental Recognition Awards (ERA) Recipient Recommendations

Ratify nominations from the Natural Resources Commission for the 2024 ERA. The awards will be presented on May 7, 2024.

City Council Goals 2024/2025

Informational

Commission Minutes:

1. Historical Resources Management Commission Meeting of February 26, 2024
2. Natural Resources Commission Meetings of September 25 and November 24, 2023, and January 22, 2024

Informational

B. Vaitla moved, seconded by D. Neville, to approve the consent calendar. Motion passed unanimously.

SYMVCD
Presentation:
2024 Mosquito Control
Matters – Current Issues

Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control District Manager Gary Goodman: District utilizes an integrated mosquito management approach, including public information, surveillance, biological control, ecological management, and control operations. Last year there was a sharp increase in West Nile virus activity due to record amount of rain, concern for another intense mosquito season ahead.

and Challenges

Discussion of Downtown Davis Form Based Code; Consider Potential Amendments or Clarifications for Plan Implementation

Principal Planner Dara Dungworth: Seeking direction regarding interpretation and implementation of the Downtown Form Based Code to clarify City Council vision, specifically regarding incremental development proposals that do not appear to meet the intent of the Code. Asking for feedback on the following: add Detached House as allowed primary building type in Neighborhood Medium Zone, exempt existing structures that are a nonconforming building type from certain design standards, rebuilding of structures in existing footprint. Also asking for input on issues related to building sites, such as development on large or consolidated lots that exceed building site dimensions, and secondary primary structures on a building site.

Public comment:

- Ning Wan: The Historical Resources Management Commission hasn't discussed projects in downtown for several months.
- Jennifer Figueroa: Home is located within Neighborhood Medium zone. Would like to make improvements, but current structure is not included in intended building form.

By consensus, City Council provided direction to staff regarding potential amendments to the Form Based Code:

- Oppose including Detached House building form as allowable type in Neighborhood Medium Zone.
- Interested in exempting certain existing residential structures that are non-conforming building type from site design standards; reasonable incremental improvements/expansion for single family homes.
- Not allow use of existing footprint of single family or commercial building when rebuilding structures.
- Not allow new development projects to propose secondary primary structures on a building site that already contains an existing primary structure.
- Retain vision of Downtown Plan. Incentivize redevelopment and densification.
- Will entertain exemptions/concessions to allow lot consolidation for certain streets.

City Council recessed at 8:43 p.m. and reconvened at 8:55 p.m.

Davis Police Department 2024-2027 Strategic Plan

Deputy Police Chief Todd Henry: Summarized outreach and process to develop plan; overview of plan objectives including community engagement and process, crime/nuisance reduction and investigation, traffic

safety and enforcement, employee development and succession planning, employee health and well-being, futures (tech, policing strategies, modernize).

Public comments:

- Alan Miller: Police Department should enforce minor infractions again. Increase in heavily tinted car windows.
- Connor Gorman: Police Department should be restructured, reduce interactions with public and provide services for unmet needs.

AB 1234 Reporting

G. Partida and D. Neville: Attended Capitol-to-Capitol event

Long Range Calendar

M. Webb: Next meetings are May 7 and 21

Public comment:

- Alan Miller: Happy that large signs in audience are no longer visible on camera when people make public comment.

B. Vaitla: Agendize discussion about what actions City can take regarding severe mental illness. Council consensus.

B. Vaitla: Request preliminary discussion of Measure J exemption options, topic was included in Housing Element as discussion item.

B. Vaitla: Interested in commissions doing preliminary work regarding their role in General Plan update. Discuss Steering Committee or other community involvement options.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 10:19 p.m.

Zoe Mirabile
City Clerk