

MINUTES OF THE DAVIS CITY COUNCIL
Meeting of February 18, 2025

The City Council of the City of Davis met in regular meeting session beginning at 6:32 p.m. in the Community Chambers, 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, California. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bapu Vaitla.

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

Councilmembers Absent: Linda Deos

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

Approval of Agenda D. Neville moved, seconded by J. Chapman, to approve the agenda. Motion passed by the following vote:
AYES: Chapman, Neville, Partida, Vaitla
NOES: None
ABSENT: Deos

City Manager Announcements M. Webb: February 18-19—quarterly pressure washing of downtown sidewalks. February 18-22—temporary closure of County Road 105 for sewer line work. March 17—Thong Hy Huynh Award nominations due.

City Council Announcements and Liaison Reports None.

Public Comments

- Dr. Sarah Marsh Crowder, Bike City Theatre Company: Thank city for arts and culture grants. Bike City collaborated with Parks and Community Services department to hold a pop-up event in September 2024. Looking forward to ongoing partnership.
- Amir Kol: A Human Relations Commission (HRC) member advertised book written by Palestinian woman that espouses hate. Need to be careful which ideas are promoted in public forums by public officials.
- Dan Novaudi: Serious antisemitism problem in Davis and on UC Davis campus. Booth containing antisemitic material and hateful rhetoric present three times at Davis Farmers Market. HRC now has a sub-committee dealing with antisemitism.
- Dephna Rameal: Jewish community members have been speaking for many months about incidents in Davis community and UC Davis campus. HRC member is espousing hateful rhetoric. Jewish community is being targeted. City is not making situation better.
- Laura Snodgrass, Davis Chorale: Group of singers with diverse repertoire supported by Davis Arts & Cultural Affairs Program. Several

youth choir groups collaborate with Davis Chorale several times a year with performances for the community.

- Alan Miller: Free speech is absolute and must be maintained.
- Unnamed individual: Believe in religious freedom but not religious extremism that can turn into hate. Islamic Center of Davis has a Youtube channel that features imam espousing hate.
- Connor Gorman: Consent calendar item Electric Vehicle Fleet Electrification Program—support city fleet electric vehicle transition. City should move away from PG&E dominance and toward municipal governance. Upcoming UC worker strike on February 26-27.

Consent Calendar

On-Call Engineering Services Agreement Task Order for Design-Build Owner's Advisor Services for Elevated Tank Replacement Project, CIP No. ET8290

Approve Resolution No. 25-014 – Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Task Order with Kennedy Jenks to Provide Design-Build Owner's Advisor Services for Elevated Tank Replacement Project

F Street Parking Structure Elevator Modernization Project Contingency Increase and Budget Adjustment

Approve Resolution No. 25-015 – Approving and Authorizing the City Manager to Increase the Contingency and the Budget Adjustment for the F St. Parking Structure Elevator Modernization Project

Electric Vehicle Fleet Electrification Program with Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E)

Approve Resolution No. 25-016 – Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with PG&E to Participate in the PG&E EV Fleet Electrification Program and Enter Into an Agreement with Blair, Church and Flynn Consulting Engineers for Behind-the-Meter Design Service

Acquisition of "Tablet Command" Incident Management System for Fire and Dispatch Operations

Approve Resolution No. 25-017 – Authorizing the City Manager to Acquire the iOS-Based Software Application "Tablet Command" and Associated Software Requirements to Enhance Dispatch Efficiency, Incident Command, and Emergency Incident Resource Management

Acquisition of Stationary Ventilation Training Prop

Approve Resolution No. 25-018 – Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase a Stationary Ventilation Training Prop from FireVent and to Pay for Associated Costs to Install the Equipment

Acquisition of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Fill Station

Approve Resolution No. 25-019 – Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase a Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Fill Station from Bauer

Compressors and to Amend the FY25 Budget General Fund (001) and Equipment Replacement Fund (628)

2025 On-Call Transportation Planning and Engineering Services Agreements

Approve Resolution No. 25-020 – Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Professional Services Agreements for On-Call Transportation Planning and Engineering Services, with the following engineering firms: HDR Engineering, Kimley-Horn, Fehr & Peers, Consor, and GHD

Second Reading: Ordinance Designating a New Stop Intersection, Amending Chapter 22 of the Davis Municipal Code, and Making a CEQA Exemption Determination

Adopt Ordinance No. 2673 (Introduced 02/04/2025)

J. Chapman moved, seconded by D. Neville, to approve consent calendar. Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Chapman, Neville, Partida, Vaitla

NOES: None

ABSENT: Deos

Yolo County Housing Draft 5-Year Strategic Plan

Yolo County Housing (YCH) Executive Director Ian Evans: Overview of on Yolo County Housing's Draft 5-Year Strategic Plan. Summarized programs, services, and affordable housing/county partnerships. Upcoming opportunities for Davis: potential homeownership opportunities with Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) grant funding, workforce housing models, and potential partnership for Urban Capital Leonardo South Davis project.

Public comment:

- Connor Gorman: Government bodies should strive to provide social housing, accessible for different needs and demographics, and at different levels of affordability. Support voucher system.

I. Evans: Local funding often increases YCH leverage and makes projects more competitive for state tax credit financing. Opportunity for volunteer community navigators to help voucher recipients during the process of finding a site and qualifying/paperwork, contacts, etc.

City Council recessed at 7:50 p.m. and reconvened at 7:56 p.m.

Community Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan

Parks & Community Services Director Deanne Machado: Last needs assessment was conducted in 2012. Current plan reflects current wants and needs, provides strategic framework for future investments and programming. Key takeaways: prioritize maintaining parks, shade structures, lighting improvements and better restroom facilities. Expand youth, teen,

and senior programming. Prioritized 20 of 41 parks in inventory for full assessment, majority of remaining parks are smaller scale. Estimated \$14.7 million needed for park maintenance and improvements over 10 years. Need for inclusive playgrounds and accessible equipment/surfaces.

City Manager Mike Webb: Needs Assessment illustrates decision making with data driven and evidence based approach.

J. Chapman moved, seconded by D. Neville, as follows:

1. Approve Resolution No. 25-021 – Adopting the 2024 Community Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan and Authorizing the City Manager to Take Necessary Steps, Including Preparing and Executing Agreements, to Initiate Design and Secure Grants Supporting the Development of an Inclusive Playground at Playfields Park.
2. Direct staff to utilize the Community Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan to prioritize related budget actions, capital projects and programming.

Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Chapman, Neville, Partida, Vaitla

NOES: None

ABSENT: Deos

AB 1234 Reporting

G. Partida: attended Davis Firefighters Crab Feed

Long Range Calendar

M. Webb: February 25—annual city/county/UCD town gown meeting.

D. Neville: March 4 meeting includes Climate Action & Adaptation Plan implementation update. When approving General Plan update contract, noted the need to coordinate CAAP and GP update efforts.

M. Webb: Will discuss with staff team how and when to return to Council.

D. Neville: Homelessness Strategic Plan next steps. Status of updates? Would like regular updates.

M. Webb: March 18 item follow up on homelessness will include some level of updates.

G. Partida: Survey of potential city sites for development of low income housing.

J. Chapman: Infill subcommittee working on topic. Would like to get an idea from staff on timing of infill strategy.

M. Webb: Will confer at staff level.

B. Vaitla: Municipal Electric Utility feasibility

M. Webb: Conferring with VCE staff. Possible April 8 meeting date.

Adjournment Meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Zoe Mirabile
City Clerk