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**City of Davis/Davis Joint Unified School District  
2x2 Meeting**



**MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, January 17, 2024**



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**1. Call to Order & Roll Call**

*Mayor Chapman called the meeting to order at 5:08pm*

*Members Present: Trustee Cecilia Escamilla-Greenwald, Mayor Josh Chapman, City Councilmember Donna Neville, Trustee Hiram Jackson (arr: 5:25pm)*

*Staff Present: Superintendent Matt Best, Assistant City Manager Kelly Stachowicz*

**2. Public Comment**

*No public comment*

**3. Approval of the November 15, 2023 Minutes**

*Neville moved, with a second by Chapman, to approve the minutes. Motion passed by the following vote:*

*YES: Chapman, Neville*

*NO: None*

*ABSTAIN: Escamilla-Greenwald*

*ABSENT: Jackson*

**4. City/District Communications**

*Stachowicz: Council goal setting session is set for February 9.*

*Best: District looking at multi-tiered system of support, universal design for learning. Measure N parcel tax renewal will be on the March ballot. Initial state budget looks like it will provide a decrease in funds for the District going forward.*

**5. Discussion Items**

**a. City/DJUSD Collaboration on traffic improvements**

*Best and Stachowicz provided a summary of the assessments going on to determine whether City should make Hamel Street one way near Pioneer. Communication happening with residents and school community. District understands that something needs to happen to improve traffic flow during school drop off and pick up.*

*Chapman suggested some type of pilot program to try eastbound and westbound traffic, but cautioned to beware of backups on Schmeiser. Offered to assist and facilitate with residents.*

**b. City/DJUSD Collaboration on Workforce Housing**

*Best: District is learning about best practices from other districts. Communicating with other school districts to have discussions about lessons learned. Intending to do survey in coming months. Stachowicz: Sharing data between City and District to try to glean information about demographics of different types of projects.*

**c. Facility/Capital Improvement Project Updates**

**i. DJUSD (Best):**

- Davis High School STEM building is wrapped for winter and progressing with goal to open in Fall. Includes 12 classrooms, mostly specialized science classrooms.
- Four transitional kindergarten classroom sites will start this summer (Korematsu, Patwin, Montgomery, Pioneer)
- This summer will start construction on aquatics center in middle of DHS campus, winter of 2025

**ii. City (Stachowicz):**

- *City and District signed cooperative agreement for design work on the Anderson/Chavez project*
- *Villanova/14<sup>th</sup> Street project is in design. City is working through possible timing to minimize adverse impacts on neighboring schools. Will keep District in the loop.*
- *H Street project hoping to get underway this summer.*
- *Paving package is currently being compiled. Because the City frontloaded some areas, this next package will be a smaller list than last year. This means fewer disruptions for the schools. Regardless, staff will communicate as City takes next steps.*

*2x2 members had questions about communications between City and District. Also asked how City/District work with Unitrans to convey concerns or needs. Staff explained there is frequent communication among all parties, including about issues like new developments, ADA compliance at bus stops, routes, etc.*

**d. School Site Safety Update**

*Best: Willett, North Davis Elementary, and Davis High School plans underway. Intent is to limit access to/from campus for non-campus related individuals*

*2023 started with bomb threats, then vandalism, threats to a Black teacher. Have initiated surveillance pilot through January, with cameras turned on at night. Capture images when there is movement. Only one incident of vandalism since cameras installed at Pioneer.*

*Making sure District is communicating with staff and students/families when there is act of violence. Want to reduce fear.*

*Public Comment:*  
*No public comment.*

**6. Announcements/Comments**

*Jackson: Thank you to City for MLK Day celebration*

*Neville: Yolo County Community Engagement Workgroup Process underway to learn about mental health needs in County. Wants to make sure District is involved. (Best: District in close communication with County)*

*Escamilla-Greenwald: appreciated MLK program and talents of youth*

**7. Future Meetings –March 20, 2024; May 15, 2024**

**8. Adjourn to next meeting**

*Meeting adjourned at 6pm*

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