

**MINUTES  
FREMONT CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING-WORK SESSION  
JUNE 18, 2019  
FREMONT CITY HALL  
5:30 P.M.**

**1. PRELIMINARY**

- A. Call to Order:** Mayor Mei called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.
- B. Flag Salute** Councilmember Bacon led the salute to the flag.
- C. Attendance:** Present: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Salwan, Councilmembers: Bacon, Keng, Jones, Kassan, and Shao
- D. Announcements by Mayor/City Manager**

**2. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Oral and Written Communications** – None.

**3. SCHEDULED ITEM**

- A. Mayor Mei opened consideration of an Overall Update on the City’s Homeless Efforts and Present and Establish Criteria to Evaluate Possible Locations for a Housing Navigation Center (HNC)**

Assistant City Manager Brian Stott, Human Services Director Suzanne Shenfil, Land Use Initiatives Manager Cliff Nguyen and Jamie Almanza from Bay Area Community Services (BACS) gave a presentation. This was followed by a question and answer period.

Mayor Mei opened the public comment period. Rebecca Boyer Taylor (provided a hand-out) and Priscilla Taylor expressed support for a Housing Navigation Center in Fremont. Bill Palleschi, Reshma Inamdar (provided a hand-out), and Cowboy Bob expressed support for a Housing Navigation Center at Nilas Discovery Church. The following spoke in opposition to a Housing Navigation Center at Nilas Discovery Church: Gene Cross, Abhishek Iyer (provided a hand-out), Page Frakes (provided a hand-out), Sharon Scharff (provided a hand-out), Amit Jain, and Wendy Arnold.

- ❖ **Mayor Mei recessed the Special Meeting-Work Session at 6:50 p.m. to the regular City Council meeting.**
- ❖ **Mayor Mei adjourned the regular City Council meeting and reconvened the Special Meeting-Work Session at 8:30 p.m.**

Mayor Mei continued with the public comment period. Justin Valenzuela, Paul Webster, and Alexandra King expressed support for a Housing Navigation Center in Fremont. Robert Heath

spoke in opposition to a Housing Navigation Center. Judy Zlatnik, Amy Gunnarson, Joanne Landers, Nancy Coumou, Kathy Steel-Sabo, and Lisa Newstrom expressed support for a Housing Navigation Center at Niles Discovery Church. The following spoke in opposition to a Housing Navigation Center at Niles Discovery Church: Praveen, Bobby Singh (provided a hand-out), Sneha Mahecha, Sankaran, Moby Dutta, Mohan, Aparna, Bhanu, Aaron, Srinivas, Arun (provided a hand-out), Keith Parker, Tamim Khan, Poornima Pevaraj, Sakthi Ganesan, Scott Gobel, Venkat Gopidas, Suhani, Ash, Shaoly, Nancy Haylock, Anir Prem, Ashwini, Balaji, John Hinds, Manoj Pillai, Don Marshall, Kay Korbel-Metcalf (provided a hand-out), Jonathan Sampson, Lisa Ogrey, Rajeev Shankar, Debbie Smith, Robert Smith, Jatinder Malviya, Donat Kazarinoff (provided a hand-out), Urvashi Shah (provided a hand-out), Bhupendra Shah (provided a hand-out), Debra Martin, Wilma Spillers, Pam Caneva, Satheesh Jayakumar, Michael Sanz, Susan Lanferman, Sripadh Parthasarathy, Justin Sha, Kathy Bayne, James Yan, Theresa DeAnda, Nanette Durfort, Dave Pepper, Mark Pepper, Tim Pitsker, and Carol Zilli. There were no additional speakers. Mayor Mei closed the public comment period. Staff responded to additional questions from Councilmembers. Councilmembers commented and provided direction to staff.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Mei adjourned the meeting at 10:25 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

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Susan Gauthier, City Clerk

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