

**MINUTES
FREMONT CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 15, 2022
VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM
7:00 P.M.**

1. PRELIMINARY

- A. Call to Order:** Mayor Mei called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
- B. Flag Salute:** Councilmember Jones led the salute to the flag.
- C. Roll Call:** Present: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Salwan, Councilmembers: Keng, Jones, Kassan, Shao, and Cox
- D. Announcements by Mayor/City Manager**

Mayor Mei announced the Boards and Commissions vacancies.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

- * **A. Waive Reading of Ordinances:** None.
- * **B. Approval of Minutes** – None.

3. CEREMONIAL ITEMS – None.

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

A. Oral and Written Communications

The following persons spoke in opposition of the HomeKey affordable housing Project at Motel 6: David, Lei, Navin, Jane, CL, Luzhang, Dina Deshpande, James, and Fang. The following persons spoke in support of the HomeKey affordable housing Project: Jennifer Pare, Lisa Danz, Marie Hughes, Katherine, and Hayes Shair. Blair Beekman shared a variety of concerns. Sharon Scharff expressed their concerns in the Rancho Arroyo Parkway area.

5. SCHEDULED ITEMS

A. Mayor Mei opened consideration of the Third Public Hearing on City of Fremont Redistricting Process, Start time - 7:15pm (Redistricting Process Public Hearing)

Management Analyst, Amanda Gallo provided an introduction. Kristen Parks, Consultant with the National Demographics Corporation provided a presentation. Mayor Mei opened the public hearing. The following persons commented on the presentation and/or maps: Kelly Abreu, Kathy Kimberlin, and John Hinds. There being no additional speakers, Mayor Mei closed

the public hearing. This was followed by a question and answer period. Councilmembers provided comment.

The City Council:

1. Received and filed a report on the public input received by the City of Fremont by February 6, 2022, regarding communities of interest and district boundaries.
2. Reviewed and discussed public input received by the City of Fremont by February 6, 2022, regarding communities of interest and district boundaries.
3. Conducted a public hearing to receive additional public input on communities of interest and district boundaries.
4. Identified at least one but not more than three priority maps to be reviewed at the fourth Redistricting Public Hearing to be held March 1, 2022.

B. Mayor Mei opened consideration of a Public Hearing (Published Notice) to Consider Adoption of a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program Prepared and Circulated for the Sabercat Trail Extension Project (PWC 8977) in Accordance with the Requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and Approval of the Project and Funding Actions to Enhance and Expand the Scope of Sabercat Trail Corridor (Sabercat Trail Extension Project)

Public Works Director Hans Larsen gave a presentation. Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Mayor Mei opened the public hearing. The following persons commented on the presentation and/or expressed concerns: Jane, William Yragui, Katherine Rubie, Flavio, Andreas Kadavanich, and Dina Deshpande. There being no additional speakers, Mayor Mei closed the public hearing. This was followed by a question and answer period. Councilmembers provided comment.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Salwan, seconded by Councilmember Shao, the City Council approved the following actions related to the Sabercat Trail Extension Project (PWC 8977):

1. Convened the Public Hearing.
2. Found that the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed in compliance with CEQA and reflect the independent judgment and analysis of the City of Fremont.
3. Adopted the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program as shown in Exhibit “A” and Exhibit “B,” and find, in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15074, on the basis of the whole record before it (including the Initial Study and any comments received) that:
 - a. with implementation of the adopted mitigation measures, there is no substantial evidence that the project as mitigated will have a significant effect on the environment; and
 - b. that the Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the City of Fremont
4. Approved the Sabercat Trail Extension Project (PWC 8977) and the following funding actions:
 - a. Reallocate \$100,000 from PWC 8972-136 to PWC 9082-136 for the Existing Sabercat Trail Improvement Project (PWC 9082).

- b. Reallocate \$50,000 from PWC 8972-136 to PWC 9083-136 for the Sabercat Trail Extension to the East Bay Greenway Trail Project (PWC 9083).
- c. Reallocate \$50,000 from PWC 8972-136 to PWC 9084-136 for the Sabercat Trail Extension to the Mission Peak Trail Project (PWC 9084).

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Salwan, Councilmembers: Keng, Jones, Kassan, Shao, and Cox
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

6. REPORT FROM CITY ATTORNEY – None.

7. OTHER BUSINESS – None.

8. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

A. Council Referrals – None.

B. Oral Reports on Meetings and Events

Councilmembers reported on their various meetings and activities

9. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Mayor Mei adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

Susan Gauthier, City Clerk

LILY MEI, Mayor