

**MINUTES  
FREMONT CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 16, 2020  
FREMONT CITY HALL  
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 Salwan led the salute to the flag.
- C. Roll Call:** Present: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon, Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao
- D. Announcements by Mayor/City Manager – None.**

**2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- \* **A. Waive Reading of Ordinances:** The City Attorney read the titles of ordinances to be considered.

On a motion by Councilmember Bacon, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council waived further readings of proposed ordinances.

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

- \* **B. Approval of Minutes – None.**
- \* **C. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fremont Adding Chapter 2.45 (Electronic filing) to Title 2 (Administration and Finance) of the Fremont Municipal Code Relating to Electronic Filing of Campaign Statements and Statements of Economic Interests**

On a motion by Councilmember Bacon, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council adopted Ordinance 08-2020

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

\*Consent Items

**\* D. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval of Selection of the Vice Mayor for the Period Covering July 2020 through March 2021**

On a motion by Councilmember Bacon, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council appointed Councilmember Kassan as the Vice Mayor for the period covering July 2020 through March 2021.

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

**\* E. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval to Review the Conflict of Interest Code and Authorize the Execution of the Biennial Review Notice**

On a motion by Councilmember Bacon, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council directed staff to review the conflict of interest code and authorize execution of the Biennial Review Notice regarding whether amendments are required, no later than October 1, 2020.

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

**\* F. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval to Amend the Traffic Signal Maintenance, Repair, and Support Services Contract with Bear Electrical Solutions, Inc. and Increase the Annual Compensation.**

On a motion by Councilmember Bacon, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute an amendment to the Traffic Signal Maintenance, Repair, and Support Services Contract with Bear Electrical Solutions Inc. to increase the compensation by \$325,000 for FY 2019/20 for an annual amount not to exceed \$925,000, and by \$150,000, for each remaining year of the contract for an amount not to exceed \$750,000 per year, for a maximum duration through June 30, 2023.

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

**\* G. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval to Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Ten-Year Lease Amendment with the County of Alameda for a Total of 12,854 Square Feet of Office and Common Area Space at the Family Resource Center; Exempt from**

**CEQA Review as the Lease of Existing Facilities per CEQA Guidelines Section 15301. (Family Resource Center (FRC) Lease Amendment No. 4)**

On a motion by Councilmember Bacon, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute an amendment to extend the existing lease with County of Alameda for 12,854 square feet of office and common area space located at the Fremont Family Resource Center for 15 additional years as described in the staff report.

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

- \* **H. Mayor Mei opened consideration to Approve Plans and Specifications; Award Contract to Glissman Excavating, Inc. in the Amount of \$172,503.00, and Transfer Funds from the Integrated Waste Management Fund to the Capital Projects - Outside Sources Fund for the Sabercat Creek Knick Point Restoration Project (PWC 8921); Exempt from Environmental Review per CEQA Guidelines Section 15333.**

On a motion by Councilmember Bacon, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council approved the following actions related to the Sabercat Creek Knick Point Restoration Project (PWC8921):

1. Found that this project is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15333 as the restoration is under 5 acres and will have no significant adverse impact to endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat.
2. Approved the plans and specifications for the project.
3. Accepted the bid and awarded the construction contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Glissman Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$172,503.00 and allocate a 10% construction contingency in the amount \$17,250.00 for a total construction contract amount of \$189,753.00, and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract.
4. Transferred \$134,142 from the Integrated Waste Management Fund (Fund 115) to the Capital Projects – Outside Sources Fund (Fund 502) and appropriate it to PWC8921.

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

**\* I. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval of Contract Amendment with SP+ to Provide Parking Enforcement Services in an Amount Not to Exceed \$35,000**

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar. Mayor Mei opened the public comment period. Kelly Abreu shared several concerns. There being no additional speakers, Mayor Mei closed the public comment period.

On a motion by Councilmember Bacon, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council:

1. Authorized the City Manager or his designee to negotiate and execute an amendment to the service agreement with SP+ Municipal Services in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 for a total annual contractual amount of \$85,000 per year to include parking enforcement services at the Mission Peak Neighborhood Permit Parking zone, the Centerville train depot, and other areas identified as necessary.
2. Adopted Resolution No. 2020-28 authorizing the Chief of Police to delegate authority to a third-party contractor for short-term parking enforcement.

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

**\* J. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval to Reject All Bids Received on May 26, 2020 for the Year 2 Bikeway Improvements Project.**

On a motion by Councilmember Bacon, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council rejected all bids submitted on May 26, 2020 for the Year 2 Bikeway Improvements Project.

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

**\* K. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval of Plans and Specifications; Award of Contract to Sposeto Engineering, Inc. in the Amount of \$371,353.35 and Reallocate Funding for the Pedestrian Crossing Enhancement Project Phase III (PWC 8975); Appropriation Actions; Exempt from Environmental Review per CEQA Guideline Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) (Pedestrian Crossings, Phase 3)**

On a motion by Councilmember Bacon, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council approved of the following actions related to the Pedestrian Crossing Enhancement Project – Phase III (PWC 8975):

1. Found that this project is categorically exempt from review under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301

- as the repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing facilities involving no or negligible expansion of use beyond that presenting existing.
2. Approved the plans and specifications for this project.
  3. Accepted the bid and awarded the construction contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Sposeto Engineering Inc., in the amount of \$371,353.35, allocate a 15% contingency in the amount of \$55,000 for a total construction amount of \$426,353.35, and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract.
  4. Reallocated \$135,000.00 from PWC8944-520 to PWC8975-520.
  5. Reallocated \$30,425.00 from PWC8969-132 to PWC8975-132.
  6. Reallocated \$100,000.00 from PWC8969-134 to PWC8975-134.

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

**3. CEREMONIAL ITEMS – None.**

**4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. Oral and Written Communications**

Email submitted to the City Clerk were compiled, distributed to the City Council and staff, and published in the City's Agenda Center on fremont.gov, and were placed on file.

Chaya Rajeev, Chakshu Hurria, Kanav Kalucha and Priya expressed a variety of concerns regarding the police budget. Gopal Srinath spoke in favor of the police and requested better budgeting. There being no additional speakers, Mayor Mei closed the public comment period. City Manager Danaj provided a recap of the June 10, 2020 Town Hall.

**5. SCHEDULED ITEMS**

**A. Mayor Mei opened consideration of a Public Hearing (Public Notice) To Add Two New Intersections for Automated Red-Light Enforcement Cameras and Authorize City Manager to Execute a Sole Source Contract with Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc. (Automated Red-Light Enforcement Program Renewal)**

Email submitted to the City Clerk were compiled, distributed to the City Council and staff, and published in the City's Agenda Center on fremont.gov, and were placed on file.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers. Mayor Mei opened the public hearing. The following persons expressed a variety of concerns regarding Automated Red-Light Enforcement Cameras: Gopal Srinath, Suresh Bazaj, Kelly Abreu, Jim Westberg, Kanav Kalucha, Jay Beeber, Mohan Hegde, Alice Cheng. There being no additional speakers, Mayor Mei closed the public hearing. Councilmembers provided comment.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Jones seconded by Councilmember Kassan, the City Council:

1. Held a public hearing.
2. Found that the construction of automatic red-light traffic enforcement camera systems at two existing street intersections is exempt from further environmental review pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the CEQA Guidelines.
3. Authorized installation of two additional automatic red-light traffic enforcement camera systems at Christy Street/Automall Parkway and Pacific Commons Boulevard /Automall Parkway in order to protect the public from the inherent dangers associated with vehicle collisions as a result of red-light violations.
4. Authorized the City Manager to execute a new sole source contract with Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc. for a five-year term with two one-year options to provide maintenance and service for the automated red-light photo enforcement camera systems for a total not to exceed amount of \$599,400 per year.

Ayes: Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon, Salwan,  
Keng, and Kassan  
Noes: Councilmember Shao and Mayor Mei  
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 – None.**

**9. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Mayor Mei adjourned the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

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Susan Gauthier, City Clerk

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LILY MEI, Mayor