

0. A. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Bublak called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

B. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Bublak announced the City Council meeting is open to the public with limited seating capacity and that compliance with health and safety guidelines including COVID-19 screening, temperature checks, face coverings, and physical distancing measures is required for in-person attendance.

Mayor Bublak also announced the meeting is being conducted via the Zoom system and streamed on the City’s website, YouTube, & Spectrum Channel 2.

Mayor Bublak announced that members of the public will be given the opportunity to address the Council during public participation. The City Clerk will provide additional details and instructions once we near the public participation section of the meeting.

C. ROLL CALL:

Councilmember Larson	Councilmember Nosrati	Councilmember Franco	Councilmember Monez	Mayor Bublak
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

PRESENT: Councilmembers Nicole Larson, Andrew Nosrati, Pam Franco, Rebecka Monez and Mayor Amy Bublak.

ABSENT: None

D. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS: None

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED OR AMENDED

This is the time for the City Council to remove items from the agenda or to change the order of the agenda. Matters may be taken up out of order of the established agenda by a four-fifths vote of the City Council.

Action: Motion by Councilmember Monez, seconded by Councilmember Franco, Approving the agenda as posted. Motion carried 5/0 by the following vote:

Councilmember Larson	Councilmember Nosrati	Councilmember Franco	Councilmember Monez	Mayor Bublak
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

*City Clerk Jennifer Land announced that members of the public will be given the opportunity to address Council concerning any item that has been described in the notice for this meeting. For members of the public participating in-person and who are interested in addressing the Council, please raise your hand once the Mayor opens public comment and before she closes public comment. For members of the public participating remotely, please press the “raise hand” feature on your screen or press *9 from your telephone keypad.*

Members of the public participating in-person will be called upon first and then we will move to those participating remotely. For those participating remotely, they will hear an automated prompt indicating their

line has been unmuted – and that is when their comment period will begin.

Lastly, we request members who choose to address the Council to please state their first and last name in the event any follow up is needed; however, this is not mandatory.

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

The following members of the public spoke:

Chad Hackett

3. FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 GENERAL FUND BUDGET WORKSHOP NO. 2:

Mayor Bublak announced that public comment will be opened once the departments have an opportunity to present.

- A. The City Council will continue to review, discuss, and provide direction to staff regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2021-2022 General Fund Budget.

Acting City Manager Gary R. Hampton provided an overview of the budget workshop including Planning, Engineering and Information Technology Departments, info requested during workshop #1, FY 2019-20 frozen positions, CIP 5-year plan, equipment replacement plan, Engineering Fund deficit, City utilities water/sewer service fees, direction regarding augmentations, reorganization of City department structure, creation of a Finance Department, Police Chief and Fire Chief position funding mandates.

The following departments presented information regarding their budget augmentation requests and proposed budgets for Fiscal Year 2021-2022:

Interim Development Services Director Nathan Bray provided information regarding the proposed budget augmentation requests for the Planning Division, including the unfreezing of an assistant planner position and identifying General Plan implementation and growth.

Council and staff discussed this item, including inquiries regarding use of cannabis funds, entitlement process metrics.

Interim Development Services Director Nathan Bray provided information regarding the proposed budget augmentation requests for the Engineering Division, including the unfreezing of five positions, the addition of positions, generation of revenue from unfrozen and new positions, capturing revenue from billable items, and Engineering Fund deficit.

Council and staff discussed this item, including inquiries regarding additional positions, frozen positions, grants available for GIS services, and coordination with CSU Stanislaus.

Interim Development Services Director Nathan Bray provided information regarding the Engineering Fund deficit, including the collection of fees from services provided, cost recovery potential, non-billable services, user fees, Engineering Fund reserve depletion, deficit spending, transfer of funds from the General Fund to halt the growth of the Engineering Fund deficit.

Information Technology Manager Joe Sousa provided information regarding the proposed budget augmentation requests for the Information Technology Department, including the reclassification of positions.

Council and staff discussed this item, including inquiries regarding provision of services to City departments.

Acting City Manager Gary R. Hampton provided an overview of the frozen positions from the previous Fiscal Year budgets.

Council and staff discussed this item, including inquiries regarding funding of frozen positions from the General Fund and Non General Fund budgets, allocation of salary funds from the General Fund and Non General Fund.

Acting City Manager Gary R. Hampton provided information regarding the salary survey for the Finance Director and Administrative Services Director positions.

Principal Civil Engineer Stephen Fremming provided information regarding the 5 Year Capital Improvement Program, summary and project detail sheets.

Council and staff discussed this item, including inquiries regarding estimated cost to bring the network of roads up to standards, and Assessment Districts.

Acting City Manager Gary R. Hampton and Senior Accountant Nadine Silva provided information regarding the proposed budget augmentation requests for the vehicle and small equipment replacement budget, transfers from operating budgets, and costs associated with the requests.

Acting City Manager Gary R. Hampton and Interim Municipal Services Deputy Director Carl Brown provided information regarding the proposed budget augmentation requests for the provision of City water and sewer services to General Fund and Non General Fund departments for City buildings and facilities, and calculation of water and sewer service estimates.

Council and staff discussed this item, including inquiries regarding billing of City water and sewer services, Proposition 218 and Proposition 26 requirements.

Acting City Manager Gary R. Hampton provided information regarding the budget adoption timeline, implementation of Council's vision, and requested direction for City staff on the General Fund 2021-22 budget.

Mayor Bublak opened public participation.

The following members of the public spoke:

Milt Trieweler

Mayor Bublak closed public participation.

Staff provided brief comment in response to public comment.

Council further discussed this item, including unfreezing the Public Safety Chief positions, the cost for maintaining roads that are not in Assessment Districts, additional employees for regular streets and parks maintenance, Fire Department staffed 100% of the time, Measure L funds, street project timelines, budget augmentations for Engineering positions, Measure L funding split as directed by Council, slurry seal maintenance projects, Engineering Fund deficit payment from TOT revenues, Administrative Services Director and Finance Director positions, cannabis funding, Measure A revenue allocations, General Fund reserve balance, American Rescue and Recovery Act revenue, TOT projected fund balance, recreation requests related to TOT revenues, Engineering fee survey, Measure A revenues, and augmentation requests.

Council provided direction to staff regarding the General Fund budget augmentations, and staff addressed Council on the direction provided.

4. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Bublak adjourned the special meeting at 7:07 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Allison Martin, Deputy City Clerk
Jennifer Land, City Clerk