

**Minutes of the Regular Joint Meeting of the Oakley City Council/Oakley City Council acting as the Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency
April 14, 2015**

1.0 OPENING MATTERS

Oakley City Council/Oakley City Council Acting as the Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency

1.1 Call to Order and Roll Call of the Oakley City Council and Oakley City Council Acting as the Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency

Mayor Hardcastle called the meeting to order at 6:30p.m in the Oakley City Council Chambers located at 3231 Main Street, Oakley, California. Doug Hardcastle, Kevin Romick, Randy Pope, Sue Higgins and Vanessa Perry were present.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Mayor Hardcastle led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1.3 Proclamations Honoring Eagle Scouts Kyle Scheer, Drake Sierra and Travis Karbowski

Mayor Hardcastle presented proclamations to Eagle Scouts Kyle Scheer, Drake Sierra and Travis Karbowski to honor them for their achievements.

1.4 Graduation Presentation for Entrepreneur Training Class (Dwayne Dalman, Economic Development Manager)

Economic Development Director Dwayne Dalman and Consultant Jeff Hall honored graduates of an 11-week entrepreneur training class hosted by the City of Oakley. Graduates include Benjamin Plung, Yvette McHenry, Gerry Graner, Andrea de La Cruz, Laura Cunha, David Wilson, Sasha Rossberg, Chris Jehs, Maria Jehs, Eric Wirfel and Sibyl Golson. Ms. Rossberg, Mr. Graner and Mr. and Mrs. Jehs spoke favorably of the program and expressed support for continuing the program in future years. Mr. Hall explained that the program provides an opportunity for "collective intelligence" among businesses in the community.

Mayor Hardcastle inquired when the next class will be held.

Mr. Dalman responded that he hopes the class will be held annually and that an abbreviated version of the class will be provided two Saturdays in May.

Councilmember Perry requested information regarding the names and types of businesses of the graduates which Mr. Dalman and the graduates provided.

1.5 Contra Costa Community College District Update (Dr. Bob Kratochvil, President of Los Medanos College and Timothy Leong, District Director of Communications and Community Relations)

Greg Enholm, Governing Board Member of the Contra Costa Community College District, introduced Dr. Bob Kratochvil, President of Los Medanos College. Dr. Kratochvil provided information regarding Los Medanos College student diversity and population, new construction and campus upgrades, upcoming projects, accreditation, 2014-2019 Strategic Plan, equitable access to completion and success for all students, community partnerships, and he shared the current Los Medanos College commercial. He announced Los Medanos College is hosting its "Elevating Diversity" conference Saturday, April 18, 2015 at 10 a.m.

Councilmember Higgins inquired when the opening of the Veterans Resource Center will occur.

Dr. Kratochvil explained that the location on campus has been identified and it should be operational in the fall.

1.6 Contra Costa Transportation Authority Citizens Advisory Committee Update (Michael Dupray, Appointee)

Michael Dupray, Appointee to the Contra Costa Transportation Authority Citizens Advisory Committee, shared that Oakley has balanced its State mandates and is well-regarded for its professionalism, openness and community participation. He mentioned the \$100k grant that Oakley recently received for its Downtown revitalization may be utilized for studies for a park-and-ride location and train platform. He also mentioned U.S. roadways are not graded highly and with gas sales tax declining, a road tax based upon miles traveled is being considered to fund future road maintenance and improvements. He expressed that virtual traffic lights may provide traffic efficiency in the future and shared a short video demonstrating a study of virtual traffic lights performed by Carnegie-Mellon University.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

Online Comment Forms

No online comment forms were submitted for Public Comments.

Public Comment Cards

Noor Abdullah expressed concern regarding the signal light at Main Street and Vintage Parkway. She mentioned it is a traffic hazard for west bound traffic on Main Street to move to the right lane after crossing the intersection when vehicles making a right turn from Vintage Parkway are entering that same lane of traffic.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

Oakley City Council/Oakley City Council Acting as the Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency

- 3.1 Approve the Minutes of the Regular Joint Oakley City Council/Oakley City Council Acting as the Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency Meeting held March 24, 2015 (Libby Vreonis, City Clerk)**

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- 3.2 Report Out of Closed Session Memo (William Galstan, Special Counsel)**
- 3.3 Approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Oakley City Council held March 30, 2015 (Libby Vreonis, City Clerk)**
- 3.4 Adopt a Resolution Awarding a Construction Contract to K. Dejesus Pump & Well Drilling, Inc. for the Cypress Grove Irrigation Well Project – Capital Improvement Project 148 (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer)**
- 3.5 Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Program Supplement Agreement Under the Master Agreement with the State of California Department of Transportation in Relation to Capital Improvement Project Number 163-West Cypress Road, Big Break Road, and Rose Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation Project, Federal Aid Project Number RSTPL 5477 (006) (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer)**
- 3.6 Adopt a Resolution Approving Contract Amendment Number 1 to the Agreement with Cole Management & Engineering Inc. for Inspection Services Related to Private Development and Capital Improvement Projects (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer)**
- 3.7 Agreement with Pavement Engineering, Inc. for Design Services Associated with Capital Improvement Project Number 167 – Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Street Repair and Resurfacing Project (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer)**

Item 3.3 was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Mayor Hardcastle to provide for public comment. One comment card was submitted by Paul Seger.

Online Comment Forms

No online comment forms were submitted for the Consent Calendar.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Romick and seconded by Councilmember Perry to approve the remainder of the Consent Calendar. Motion was unanimous and so ordered. (5-0)

Item 3.3

Public Comment Card

Paul Seger requested clarification regarding what decisions have been made or what action is being taken with regard to the Moura property and any grants associated with the property. He expressed that the public should be involved in discussions and everyone should be welcomed to submit their ideas with regard to the property consistent with the process followed for other parks and the Parks Master Plan 2020.

Mayor Hardcastle explained that the Strategic Plan meeting was held to discuss all ideas and nothing has been set in stone yet with regard to the Moura property.

Councilmember Perry shared that she presented an idea for the Moura property, staff will research if any organizations are interested in funding the idea, and the item will be presented to the City Council before any decisions are made.

Councilmember Higgins added that many good ideas were shared at the Strategic Plan meeting; it was an opportunity to brainstorm.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Romick and seconded by Councilmember Higgins to approve Item 3.3. Motion was unanimous and so ordered. (5-0)

4.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS-None

5.0 REGULAR CALENDAR

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5.1 Adopt a Resolution Directing the City Manager to Notify Contra Costa County of the City's Intention to Form its own Municipal Police Department and Electing Not to Extend its Contract with Contra Costa County when it would Typically Extend on July 1, 2015, thus Terminating the Contract on June 30, 2016, unless the Parties Agree to an Earlier Termination Date (Bryan Montgomery, City Manager)

City Manager Bryan Montgomery presented the staff report.

Special Counsel William Galstan mentioned the contract renewal period begins July 1; therefore, the City Council can decide to terminate then or earlier. He added that if the resolution is approved this evening, he will prepare an ordinance to create Oakley's Police Department for the City Council's consideration at the next meeting and a few resolutions may be required for related matters.

Online Comment Forms

Sherry Seat expressed support for adopting the resolution and bringing police services in-house.

Public Comment Cards

No public comment cards were submitted for Item 5.1

Councilmember Pope expressed support for an in-house police department; however, he expressed concern with selecting CalPERS for benefits. He commented that he does not wish the City to tailor its benefits package to lure officers away from the County. He inquired when the pension plan would need to be decided.

City Manager Bryan Montgomery responded that it would have to be decided early on.

Special Counsel William Galstan added that it would have to be decided before recruiting officers.

Mayor Hardcastle expressed support for an in-house police department for economic efficiency and mentioned all public input he has received has been positive and in support of it as well. He inquired if the CalPERS benefits savings is substantial and Mr. Montgomery confirmed that it is.

Councilmember Higgins expressed support for an in-house police department and thanked staff and the City Council for their work. She expressed appreciation for the service of Oakley's police department. She commented that as Oakley grows, the safety of the community is important.

Vice Mayor Romick expressed support for an in-house police department.

Councilmember Perry expressed support for an in-house police department. She mentioned she has seen public comments and some of the comments express concern that the savings of having an in-house police department will go to the general fund and not the police department.

Mr. Montgomery explained that the majority of the general fund currently goes to the police department; therefore, it is likely to continue to go to the police department or to law enforcement related items (i.e., traffic calming measures, security cameras, etc.).

It was moved by Councilmember Pope and seconded by Councilmember Perry to adopt the resolution. Motion was unanimous and so ordered. (5-0)

5.2 Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Third Quarter Report on the Capital Improvement Program (Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer)

Public Works Director/City Engineer Kevin Rohani presented the staff report and reviewed the status of projects including the Main Street Median Landscape

Rehabilitation Project, Cypress Grove Well Project, Traffic Signal Modernization Project, Hill Avenue Multi-Use Trail, City Parks Security Camera Installation Project, Main Street "Visioning" Concept Project, Cypress, Big Break and Rose Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation Project, Main Street Resurfacing Project (Bridgehead to Big Break), Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Reconstruction Project and Highway 160/Main Street Gateway Sign and Landscaping Project.

Councilmember Higgins inquired when the speed humps on Oxford Drive will be installed.

Mr. Rohani responded that they should be in place by mid-May.

Councilmember Pope inquired if staff could research a message board for Main Street near the Highway 160 connector off ramp. He mentioned it would be an ideal time to install as the road is being reconstructed rather than a later date when the new road would have to be torn up to accommodate a message board. He requested at the very least, conduit be laid for a future sign.

City Manager Bryan Montgomery responded that staff can research pricing. He added that there is the cost of the message board, but the message board also requires a computer for operation and that computer would need to be located somewhere near the message board. He suggested a median on Main Street may be too narrow; however, there are a couple of sites along Main Street in which the City owns the land and possibly the message board could be placed on one of those sites.

Vice Mayor Romick requested that the Highway 160/Main Street Gateway Sign be done at the same time as other Highway projects since it is the gateway to Oakley's downtown.

Mayor Hardcastle requested staff research ways to keep the crosswalks clear on Main Street in front of City Hall for pedestrian safety.

Mr. Montgomery responded that staff can look into options.

Online Comment Forms

No online comment forms were submitted for Item 5.2.

Public Comment Cards

No public comment cards were submitted for Item 5.2.

6.0 REPORTS

6.1 CITY MANAGER

(a) City Manager

City Manager Bryan Montgomery announced the You, Me, We = Oakley! Downtown Monument Unveiling event to be held Saturday, April 18 at 5pm in the Downtown Plaza, followed by the You, Me, We = Oakley! Art Exhibit to be held at 6pm in the City Council Chambers. He mentioned Grocery Outlet had a very successful grand opening.

6.2 OAKLEY CITY COUNCIL/OAKLEY CITY COUNCIL ACTING AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE OAKLEY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

(a) Reports from Council Liaisons to Regional Committees, Commissions and Boards AND Oakley City Council/Oakley City Council Acting as the Successor Agency to the Oakley Redevelopment Agency Comments

Vice Mayor Romick announced DuPont has turned over its property in Oakley to Chemours and Chemours plans to be more diligent in its effort to promote development of the site. He added Chemours has already drilled over 300 test holes to determine what clean-up may need to occur on the property and it is working toward selling the property. He added bigbreakoakley.com provides more information regarding the site. He mentioned he attended the Contra Costa Transportation Authority conference and the Concord Naval Weapons Station has been designated the site for autonomous vehicles testing by car major companies which may also bring parts and technological companies to the area.

Councilmember Perry mentioned she is on the You, Me, We=Oakley! (YMWO!) committee and in addition to the Monument Unveiling and Art Exhibit, YMWO! Is working with the Contra Costa Crisis Center for suicide awareness and prevention and to provide three Saturday workshops to persons interested in becoming a certified "East County Safekeeper" to help others in moments of crisis.

Councilmember Higgins announced the "Book It Run" event was a great success and another run is scheduled for April 9. She also announced Relay for Life will be held May 16-17 at Freedom High School.

Mayor Hardcastle announced he attended the last Mayors Conference where homelessness and food assistance were discussed. He invited everyone to join in the Downtown Plaza for the YMWO! Monument Unveiling at 5pm on Saturday, April 18.

(b) Requests for Future Agendas

There were no requests for future agendas.

7.0 WORK SESSIONS-None

8.0 CLOSED SESSIONS-None

9.0 ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Libby Vreonis
City Clerk