

**CITY OF PITTSBURG  
CITY COUNCIL/AGENCY CONCURRENT MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** October 7, 2019

**LOCATION:** Council Chamber, City Hall, 65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburg, CA 94565

**CITY COUNCIL/AGENCY MEMBERS**

Juan Antonio Banales, Mayor/Chair  
Jelani Killings, Vice-Mayor/Chair Council/Agency Member  
Marilyn Craft, Council/Agency Member  
Holland Barrett White, Council/Agency Member  
Shanelle Scales-Preston, Council/Agency Member  
S.L. Floyd, Agency Member  
Annie Hill Herring, Agency Member

**APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

Garrett Evans, City Manager/Executive Director  
Donna Mooney, City Attorney/Legal Counsel  
Alice E. Evenson, City Clerk/Agency Secretary (elected)  
Nancy Parent, City Treasurer (elected)

Vice-Mayor Killings called the meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, 65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburg, CA after convening at 6:30 P.M. for the following items:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION for City Council: Initiation of litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9(d)(4)

Number of cases: one

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION for Pittsburg Power Company Governing Board: Initiation of litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9(d)(4)

Number of cases: one

Vice-Mayor Killings stated the City Council and the Board of Directors of Pittsburg Power Company met in Closed Session and authorized the initiation of litigation by a vote of 4-0. The action and details shall, once filed, be disclosed on enquiry consistent with the Brown Act.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Banales was absent and excused.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chief Addington led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **PROCLAMATIONS**

### **3. National Arts and Humanities Month**

A proclamation was read proclaiming National Arts and Humanities Month.

### **4. National Hispanic Heritage Month**

Eugenia Rodriguez accepted the proclamation declaring National Hispanic Heritage Month.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **5. Sister City Student Delegation**

The students and chaperones that travelled to Shimonoseki, Japan shared their experiences and thanked the City Council for supporting the program.

### **6. CCTA Draft Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP)**

Tim Hale, Contra Costa Transit Authority's presented the Transportation Expenditure Plan and hoped the Council would approve the Measure to be placed on the ballot.

Bruce Ohlson, Pittsburg, stated he was in support of the Plan.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REMARKS**

Assistant City Manager McKinley announced upcoming events.

## **CITIZENS REMARKS**

Durie Foster, Pittsburg, stated he was not in favor of CCTA's proposed tax for the transportation expenditure plan. He also noted comments at the last Council Meeting made by Council Member Craft which he deemed inappropriate.

## **CONSIDERATION**

### **7. Adoption of a City Council Resolution Approving General Agreement Terms and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute Agreements with Property Upsurge LLC and Carol Gallagher**

Wolfgang Croskey, Pittsburg, noted the proposed area contained a trash compactor and the odors emanating from it were problematic. He hoped this situation would be resolved if a public area were to be created.

On Motion by Member White, seconded by Member Scales-Preston to adopt and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Craft, Scales-Preston, White, Killings

ABSENT: Banales

8. Adoption of a City Council Resolution to Authorize Allocation of U.S. Department of Justice – Bureau of Justice Assistance Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (J.A.G.)

On Motion by Member Craft, seconded by Member White to adopt and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Craft, Scales-Preston, White, Killings  
ABSENT: Banales

#### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT**

There were no conflict of interest statements.

#### **COMBINED CITY COUNCIL, PITTSBURG ARTS AND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, PITTSBURG POWER COMPANY AND SOUTHWEST PITTSBURG GHAD II CONSENT CALENDAR**

On Motion by Member Craft, seconded by Vice-Mayor/Chair Killings to adopt and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Craft, Scales-Preston, White, Killings  
ABSENT: Banales

9. Minutes of September 16, 2019
10. Adoption of a City Council and Power Company Resolution Approving the Carryover of Fiscal Year 2018-19 Designated Operating Budget Balances into the Fiscal Year 2019-20 Budget
11. Adoption of City Council and Power Company Resolutions Approving the Carryover of Fiscal Year 2018-19 Capital Improvement Project Budget Balances into the Current Fiscal Year 2019-20 Budget
12. Adoption of a City Council Resolution Approving the First and Second Project Development Agreement Operating Memoranda, Second Amendment to the Exclusive Negotiating Rights Agreement, and First Amendment to the Option Agreement Between the City of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh Power Company, and Energy Delivery Solutions LLC, and Adoption of a Pittsburgh Power Company Resolution Approving the First and Second Project Development Agreement Operating Memoranda and Second Amendment to the Exclusive Negotiating Rights Agreement Between the City of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh Power Company, and Energy Delivery Solutions LLC
13. Adoption of a City Council Resolution Approving the Transfer of Prior Year Grant and Special Revenue Fund Balances as of June 30, 2019 into the Fiscal Year 2019-20 Budget
14. Adoption of a City Council Resolution Awarding the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Bulk Gasoline Services

15. Adoption of a City Council Resolution to Authorize the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Lease Agreement for Fleet Equipment Financing

### **COUNCIL REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

16. Consideration of a City Council Request for a Future Agenda Item Related to Exploring the Feasibility of a Grocery Store Cooperative

Carolyn Phinney, Orinda, said the City needs to create a vision for what is fair and just and healthy for the residents.

Eliacin Velazquez, Pittsburg, stated he was in favor of a co-op.

Sarah Foster, Pittsburg, supports the idea of local control and was in favor of a co-op study.

Durie Foster, Pittsburg, objected to taxpayer money being spent on a study and stated that those interested should start a co-op on their own. He noted theft was the issue causing stores to close.

Jack Cortis, Walnut Creek, owner of Family Harvest Farm in Pittsburg stated he was in favor of a co-op.

A motion by Member White to approve funding for a feasibility study for a grocery store cooperative died for lack of a second.

### **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND REMARKS**

Member Scales-Preston stated she would like staff to look at existing studies regarding a co-op. She attended a community meeting for community leaders and county leaders enhancing equity and immigration inclusion in Contra Costa County. She was proud of Pittsburg for being forward thinking in creating the New Americans Office here while the County continues to explore the idea.

Member Craft commented on the Farmers Market and its demise and would like to see more robust conversation about why this is happening. She met with the new Family Harvest Farm on Power Avenue that was recently approved. She was in favor of more conversation regarding enhancing the Farmers Market and the Family Harvest Farm to make them successful. She attended the Elected Women's Luncheon where one of the topics discussed was encouraging people to vote.

Member White thanked all the speakers that came to the meeting to speak about the co-op. He looked forward to continuing the conversation.

Vice-Mayor Killings congratulated Mayor Banales on his recent marriage. He attended the Economic Development Subcommittee and the Mayors Conference in Antioch.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council meeting was adjourned at 9:38 P.M. to October 21, 2019 ***in memory of William Glynn.***

Respectfully submitted,

Alice E. Evenson, City Clerk