

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

DATE: May 4, 2020

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

CITY COUNCIL.AGENCY MEMBERS

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

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Alice E. Evenson, City Clerk/Agency Secretary (elected)
Nancy Parent, City Treasurer (elected)

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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 a Budget Workshop at 5:02 P.M.

ROLL CALL

All Members were present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS/REMARKS

City Manager Evans gave an update on the COVID-19 health order for the City of Pittsburg.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments received through email from the following were read:

Sarah Foster, Pittsburg
Mark Linde, Pittsburg
Loyrisha Aucoin, Pittsburg
Daniel and Leslie Borsuk, Pittsburg

CONSIDERATION

2. Adoption of a City Council Resolution Accepting the General Plan Annual Progress Report for Calendar Year 2019

An email comment received from Sarah Foster, Pittsburg, was read which noted the need for an East County Broadband Strategic Master Plan.

On Motion by Member Banales, seconded by Member Scales-Preston to adopt and carried unanimously.

3. Adoption of a City Council Resolution to Authorize Implementation of the Early Retirement Incentive Plan for Fiscal Year 2020/2021

On Motion by Vice-Mayor Craft, seconded by Member Scales-Preston to adopt and carried unanimously.

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 AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor/Chair Killings asked that Item 14 be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

On Motion by Member Banales, seconded by Member Craft to adopt without Item 14, and carried unanimously.

4. Minutes of April 20, 2020
5. Adoption of a City Council, Pittsburg Power Company and Southwest GHAD II Resolution Approving a List of Firms for On-Call Material Testing, Environmental, and Geotechnical Services For Capital Improvement Projects and Authorizing the City Manager/Executive Director to Enter into Agreements with Selected Firms
6. Adoption of a City Council, Pittsburg Power Company and Southwest GHAD II Resolution Approving a List of Civil Engineering Firms for On-Call Professional

Engineering Services and Authorizing the City Manager/Executive Director to Enter into Agreements with Selected Firms

7. Adoption of a City Council Resolution Accepting a Grant from the State Department of Transportation for a Local Road Safety Plan
8. Adoption of a City Council Resolution Approving an Agreement with Metropolitan Transportation Commission for Traffic Signal Synchronization on East Leland Road
9. Adoption of a City Council Resolution Approving an Agreement with Metropolitan Transportation Commission for The Pavement Management Technical Assistance Program
10. Adoption of a City Council Resolution Directing the Engineer of Work to Prepare and File an Annual Report for the Citywide Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District 88-01 for Fiscal Year 2020-2021
11. Adoption of a City Council Resolution Directing the Engineer of Work to Prepare and File an Annual Report for the Oakhills Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District 88-02 for Fiscal Year 2020-2021
12. By Minute Order, Authorize Letter of Support for Solid Waste Emergency Funding Proposal
13. Adoption of a City Council Resolution Approving a Consultant Agreement with Environmental Services, Inc.

The following item was removed for discussion:

14. Adoption of a Minute Order Authorizing a Letter of Support for Senate Bill 1349 (Glazer)

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

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

COUNCIL REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests for future agenda items.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND REMARKS

Member Scales-Preston wished Vice-Mayor Craft happy birthday.

Vice-Mayor Craft wished Member Scales-Preston, who shares her birthday on the same day, happy birthday as well. She also thanked staff for working so hard during this difficult time.

Member White thanked staff for working to ensure that the City stays on a path to fiscal health and thanked his colleagues for rising to the occasion. He wished everyone a happy birthday.

Member Banales also wished happy birthday to Member Scales-Preston and Vice-Mayor Craft.

Mayor Killings acknowledged the difficult decisions ahead and thanked everyone, including staff and the community for their efforts. He also wished Member Scales-Preston and Vice-Mayor Craft happy birthday.

CLOSED SESSION

The City Council adjourned to Closed Session at 8:10 P.M. for the following item:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Pursuant to Section 54957.6:

City designated representatives: Garrett Evans, Stacy Shell, Fritz McKinley, Brad Farmer

Employee organizations: American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Local 512 Management/Professional/Confidential Unit and Miscellaneous A Unit; Pittsburg Police Officers' Association; Pittsburg Police Managers Group; Teamsters Local 856

Unrepresented employees: Management Group; Senior Executive Team

There was no reportable action taken in Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M. May 18, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice E. Evenson, City Clerk

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Mayor Killings called the meeting of the City Council to order at 7:04 P.M. in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, 65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburg, CA after convening a Budget Workshop at 5:38 P.M. and in Closed Session at 6:20 P.M. for the following items:

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ROLL CALL

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CITY MANAGER REPORTS/REMARKS

There were no City Manager remarks.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mary Clancy, Pittsburg, asked about landscape maintenance around San Marco.

Wolfgang Croskey, Pittsburg, asked the City Council to consider economic development and safety as their priorities when setting goals.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Member Scales-Preston attended the Tri-Delta Transit Board meeting.

Mayor Killings attended the Finance Subcommittee meeting.

JOINT CITY COUNCIL AND HOUSING AUTHORITY CONSIDERATION

3. Adoption of a Housing Authority and City Council Resolution Approving a Purchase and Sale Agreement and an Assignment and Assumption Agreement with Amendments by and Between the City of Pittsburg and Rose Clarke Winter, and a Housing Authority Resolution Approving a Loan to the City of Pittsburg

On Motion by Vice-Mayor Craft, seconded by Member Scales-Preston to adopt the City Council Resolution Approving a Purchase and Sale Agreement and an Assignment and Assumption Agreement with Amendments by and Between the City of Pittsburg and Rose Clarke Winter, and carried unanimously.

On Motion by Vice-Chair Craft, seconded by Member Scales-Preston to adopt the Housing authority Resolution Approving a Loan to the City of Pittsburg, and carried by the following vote:

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

PUBLIC HEARING

7. Adoption of two City Council Resolutions to Approve the Community Development Block Grant 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan and to Approve the 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan

Mayor Killings opened the Public Hearing. There being no one to speak to the item, Mayor Killings closed the Public Hearing.

On Motion by Vice-Mayor Craft, seconded by Member White to adopt both City Council Resolutions, and carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION

8. Adoption of a City Council Resolution Approving a Consultant Agreement for Preparing a Climate Action Plan

On Motion by Member White, seconded by Member Banales to adopt and carried unanimously.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

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On Motion by Member Banales, seconded by Member White to adopt and carried unanimously.

9. Minutes of April 6, 2020

10. Adoption of a City Council Resolution to Allocate Funds for Replacement of Waterline in Central Avenue between Railroad Avenue and Solari Street

11. Adoption of a City Council Resolution to Amend the Police Officers' Association, Police Managers' Group, Teamsters, ASFCME Management, Professional, Confidential and Miscellaneous A Bargaining Units Agreements and Amendments to the Unrepresented Groups Salary and Benefit Schedules

COUNCIL REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND REMARKS

Vice-Mayor Craft asked people to please follow guidelines and stay indoors through this pandemic, as there are many folks that are compromised and cannot be exposed.

ADJOURNMENT

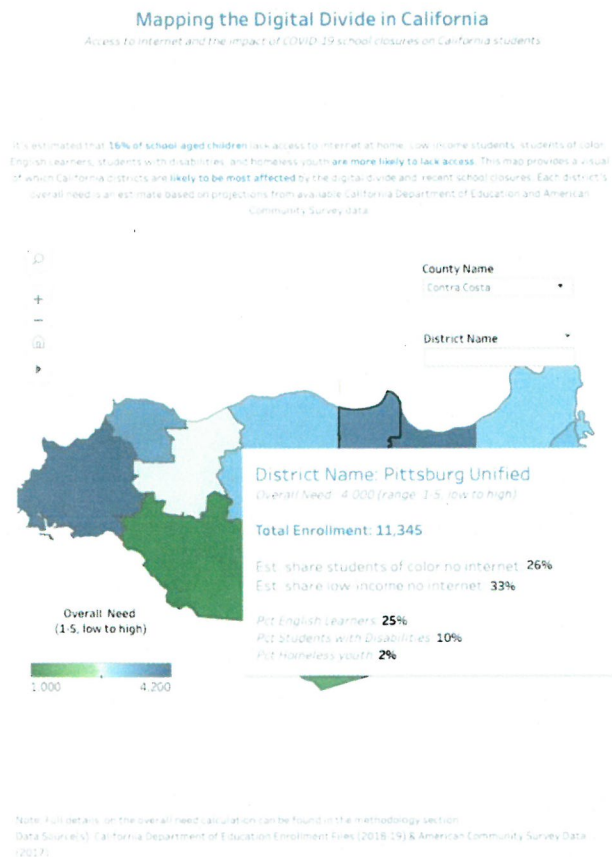
The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:22 P.M. May 4, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,
Alice E. Evenson, City Clerk

To Pittsburg City Councilmembers, Assemblymember Tim Grayson and Contra Costa Board of Supervisors:

Our COVID-19 shelter-in-place laid bare the digital divide in our community- according to this heat map the Pittsburg Unified School District is on the high end of the spectrum of digital divide, scoring 4 out of 5. We have a large digital gap and greater need for resources with an estimated 26 percent students of color and 33 percent of low-income students with no internet access.

Recent events have been very transformative, reminding us how closing the digital gap would help resolve a host of issues from education, health, finances to transportation.



We realize needing much more affordable, reliable and accessible internet access. We must prioritize broadband digital networks as critical infrastructure - coaxial and DSL isn't enough. We must look to include fiber-optic to increase our capabilities and competence in this economy.

I humbly request from our elected leaders immediate action on a much-deserved fiber optic network in East Contra Costa County. We can only participate in shared prosperity when we're on equal footing in the digital realm with the rest of the county.

Thank you for considering my request. Wishing all to be safe and healthy.

Sarah Foster, Pittsburg resident

Alice Evenson

From: sbfosteruscg <sarah.foster@jvs-stw.org>
Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 9:35 PM
To: meetingcomments
Subject: FOR PUBLIC COMMENT – NON AGENDA
Attachments: ATT00001.htm; 200429 Councilmembers.pdf

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Enclosed is my letter for public comment slated for the May 4, 2020 City Council Meeting. Thank you for considering my request. Be safe and well, Sarah

Alice Evenson

From: mark linde <mrkemlylinde@att.net>
Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 2:56 PM
To: meetingcomments; Garrett Evans; Jelani Killings; Jordan Davis; Fritz McKinley; Shanelle Scales-Preston; Juan Banales; Merl Craft
Subject: Public Comments,
Attachments: image3.jpeg; ATT00001.txt; image5.jpeg; ATT00002.txt

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To the Pittsburg City Council, this email is to be read and included in public comments.

Mayor Killings and City Council,

I was extremely saddened yesterday when I went to support a local business, Nicks Sandwich's and drove by Buckley Square. What was planned to be a focal point for local gatherings has turned into an area where homeless hang, drink and leave their garbage.

I was also shocked to notice another event pulled from the square, the Farmers Market. In numerous FB groups and even on the event page other people besides myself were shocked and mentioned not attending either because of the location or the day with people attending church.

I understand attendance was lacking at some events at Buckley Square I would hope the city would rotate these fantastic events around our parks for everyone to enjoy and not take a huge step backwards in making the downtown a ghost town again.

I also couldn't help but notice the dead grass, missing patches and divots presumably from the ice rink equipment. With changes to the SIP that allow landscaping NOW is the time to turn on the sprinklers, fertilizers and FIX OUR PARKS !

Alice Evenson

From: Loyrisha N. Aucoin <loyrisha_aucoin@haas.berkeley.edu>
Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 4:20 PM
To: meetingcomments
Subject: Pittsburg Farmers Market move

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Dear Mayor Killings and City Council,

I recently learned from neighbors in the city that there is a plan to relocate many of the events that have previously taken place in the Buckley Square area. One of the draws for me purchasing my home in the downtown area was due to all of the events that take place in and around Buckley Square. To hear that the Farmer's Market which is in walking distance to my home and several other events could be moved is tragic.

I'm hoping the city can look at other ways to make adjustments & increase attendance that do not affect the activities and buzz we have in the area. This being the focal point of our community and so close to the marina I would think it's the best place for community events. I hope you will agree.

Thank you,

Loyrisha Aucoin
Concerned Pittsburg Resident

Garrett Evans
City Manager
City of Pittsburg
65 Civic Ave.
Pittsburg, CA 94565

April 30, 2020

Dear City Manager Evans:

Nearly three months ago I and my wife, Leslie, appeared before the City Council to address the council members about the deteriorating health and safety situation next door to our home that we have resided in for over 42 years. The situation has to do with the "abandoned vehicles" alongside our property that we believe violates the City of Pittsburg's Chapter 8.12 Abandoned Vehicles ordinance.

The abandoned vehicles that have been parked for years in an "uncovered" area alongside the property owner's property has become a breeding ground for rodents. One of our cats continues to catch and show off his "kill" of rats or mice that most likely emanate from the collection of vehicles that have been parked alongside our property for numerous years.

Further worsening the situation is the debris and high weeds that the property owner neglects to cut down or remove in the area where the unused vehicles are parked. This presents a potential fire hazard especially as the hot spring and summer days approach. Dead dry weeds and old unused vehicles pose a serious fire danger to me and my wife and property as well as the property owner at 142 Viking Way. I wonder what the fire marshal might think if he saw the dead weeds and old, inoperative vehicles parked in this non-enclosed area.

The Pittsburg Police Department officer inspected the site in February and referred the matter to you and the City Attorney.

I realize the COVID-19 pandemic has kept you busy, but my wife and I would like to know if the City of Pittsburg plans to take any enforcement action on this matter. The time has come for a decision.

We believe that the property owner at 142 Viking Way is in violation of the city ordinance.

A response to our inquiry will be appreciated.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Daniel Borsuk & Leslie Borsuk

ccc: City Attorney Donna Mooney, Mayor Jelani Killings, Vice Mayor Merl Craft, Council Member Holland Barret White, Council Member Shanell Scales-Preston, Council Member Juan Antonio Banales

Letter regarding abandoned vehicles at 142 Viking Way

Daniel Borsuk [danborsuk@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, May 04, 2020 4:04 PM

To: meetingcomments

Attachments: Letter to City of Pittsbur~1.odt (9 KB)

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A Concerned Citizen**Bradley Johnson** [bradmiles.johnson@gmail.com]**Sent:** Sunday, May 03, 2020 12:25 PM**To:** meetingcomments

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Hello,

My name is Brad Johnson. A Pittsburg native, born on school street.

I live on William Way. Our backyard is directly across the street from the proposed structure. I'm in my 60's and will most likely spend the rest of my days here.

Who of us would welcome a four-story building looking down into our backyard? A place where my children and grandchildren meet regularly, holidays, birthdays, family parties, etc. Four-stories with a large turnaround of strangers.

Congestion and noise are major issues. Let's focus on the noise. The constant, "Beep Beep," from the Bank of America ATM across the street. The 7am wake up from leaf blowers every Monday morning from City of Pittsburg landscaping behind my back fence twice a week. Cars backed up from Leland Rd. to Walgreens with the constant, "BOOM, BOOM, BOOM," of car stereos, yet I have never seen this issue addressed. I have seen the police use this area for D.U.I. checks, and you don't hear the, "BOOM, BOOMing" then.

What about the the folks living in the bushes behind my back fence? Drug pipes found on my back lawn? I once found a man pleasuring himself. I informed the police, but was told they were waiting for the Corona virus to break before addressing them. I have two five year old grandchildren who play in that yard, and I'm yelling, "Stay away from the corner! There's men on the other side!!"

How is building this four-story monstrosity going to address THESE issues? It will only make them worse and you all know it! More noise tearing down the old structure. More noise building the new one. Not to mention the airborne issues that will come with the demolition of Ford? I can purchase dual pane windows, but have no answer for when the walls shake.

No more noise, please and NO Atchison Project!

Sincerely a concerned resident,

Bradley Johnson

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Alice Evenson

From: sbfosteruscg <sbfoster0002@zonemail.clpccd.edu>
Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 4:28 PM
To: meetingcomments
Subject: FOR PUBLIC COMMENT : #2

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Good evening Pittsburg City Council:

In the APR's economic development element (page 37), I'm recommending an action policy of:

That East County regional leaders establish an East County Broadband Strategic Master Plan that would not only close the digital gap, but to also stimulate our linked economies. This plan would: audit our current broadband state, broadband supplies, challenges and opportunities, identify funding sources, public private partnerships and community engagement. Successful examples are:

- The City of Concord partnered with Magellan Advisors for their Broadband Master Plan: <https://www.cityofconcord.org/DocumentCenter/View/113/Broadband-Master-Plan-PDF>
- Santa Cruz secured a grant from CPUC for their fiber optic network http://sccounty01.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/BDS/Govstream2/Bdsdata/non_legacy_2.0/agendas/2015/20150324-653/PDF/045.pdf
- The City of Redding funded their Broadband Master Plan from Broadband USA to study a downtown fiber-optic network <https://muninetworks.org/content/northern-california-city-gets-closer-downtown-fiber-pilot-0>

If this suggestion can be better incorporated for the new General Plan update, rather than the current, it would be at your discretion.

Thank you.

SARAH FOSTER