

CITY OF DALY CITY
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 24, 2023

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The meeting was called to order by Mayor Buenaventura at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Councilmembers Present:
Raymond A. Buenaventura, Mayor
Juslyn C. Manalo, Vice Mayor
Roderick Daus-Magbual
Pamela DiGiovanni
Glenn R. Sylvester

Staff Present:
Thomas Piccolotti, City Manager
Rose L. Zimmerman, City Attorney
K. Annette Hipona, City Clerk

PRESENTATIONS:

Proclamation - National Library Week, April 23rd-29th
(Gary Pacheco, Daly City Library Board Trustee)

Proclamation - Wildfire Preparedness Month
(Craig Wittner, North County Fire Authority Assistant Fire Marshal)

Introduction of New Police Department Community Wellness and Crisis Response Team Member, Malcolm McDonald
(Acting Chief of Police Cameron Christensen)

Gun Buyback Event– May 6th, 2023
(Acting Chief of Police Cameron Christensen)

Public comment: Al Comoli, Gun Buyback Group of San Mateo County, provided information about the upcoming buyback event, reported on the success of the previous gun buybacks, and thanked the Council and Acting Chief Christensen for helping to promote the events.

Police Department Catalytic Converter Theft Prevention Program
(Acting Chief of Police Cameron Christensen, Community Division Officers: Lt. Ignacio Reyes, Officer Bonnie Shiu, and Officer Renaldo Rodriguez)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of April 10, 2023

It was moved by Vice Mayor Manalo, seconded by Councilmember Sylvester and carried to approve the minutes of April 10, 2023, as amended. Councilmember DiGiovanni noted she did not approve the amendments to the March 27, 2023 minutes.

***Note on Public Comments:** For this meeting, members of the Council and the public had the option of attending in person or submitting public comments via email to the City Clerk's Office prior to the public meeting. Persons with disabilities who require auxiliary aids or services in attending or participating in this meeting were instructed to call the office of the City Clerk at 991-8078 prior to the meeting.*

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

It was moved by Vice Mayor Manalo, seconded by Councilmember DiGiovanni and carried to approve the agenda.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Imani Stewart, a coach from Jefferson High School, requested financial assistance from the City in order to continue a football program for the children of Daly City. Imani Stewart spoke about the importance of the program, how the program counteracts unhealthy activities, and why the program is currently struggling with funding.

CONSENT AGENDA:

It was moved by Vice Mayor Manalo, seconded by Councilmember DiGiovanni and carried to approve the consent agenda except item #9 which was pulled for discussion.

Resolutions:

Accept and Appropriate Grant Funding From CalRecycle

Resolution 23-65, Accepting And Appropriating Grant Funding From The California Department Of Resources Recycling And Recovery

Request Use of Federal Asset Forfeiture Funds to Purchase Licenses for a Virtual-Based Training Platform for Sworn Police Departmental Personnel

Resolution 23-66, Authorizing Use Of Federal Asset Forfeiture (DEA) Funds To Purchase Licenses For A Virtual-Based Training Platform

Support the 2023 Daly City Community Based Transportation Plan (CBTP)

Director of Public Works Richard Chiu provided the staff report for the CBTP, which was initiated to identify transportation needs in low-income communities. The 2023 CBTP has been expanded to include three additional Equity Priority Communities and project recommendations based on community input and technical expertise.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Manalo, seconded by Councilmember DiGiovanni and carried by voice vote to adopt the following resolution:

Resolution 23-67, Supporting The 2023 Daly City Community-Based Transportation Plan

Request Time Extension for Use Permit UP-4-16-12038 and Design Review DR-4-16-12040 — Retail Conversion to Residential at 2665 Geneva Avenue

Resolution 23-68, Approving Extension Of Use Permit UP-4-16-12038 And Design Review DR-4-16-12040 For Retail Conversion To Residential At 2665 Geneva Avenue

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Check Registers:

Check Registers for the Month of March 2023

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Introduce Ordinance Amending Daly City Municipal Code Chapter 2.58 – Small Business Commission to Establish a Legacy Business Program

Director of Economic and Community Development Tatum Mothershead presented an ordinance to amend the City's municipal code to establish a Legacy Business Program to recognize and celebrate the long-standing, community-serving, culturally relevant businesses in the City. Ms. Mothershead addressed questions on how a Legacy Business would be recognized, whether there are similar programs in the County, what inspired the program, and whether there are any limitations on the types of businesses that can be nominated to become a Legacy Business.

Mayor Buenaventura opened the public hearing. There were no public comments received.

It was moved by Councilmember Sylvester, seconded by Councilmember DiGiovanni and carried to close the public hearing.

It was moved by Councilmember Daus-Magbual, seconded by Councilmember Sylvester and carried for the City Attorney to read by title only.

Councilmember Manalo introduced the following ordinance:

Ordinance 1464, Amending Chapter 2.58 Of Title 2 Of The Daly City Municipal Code Regarding Small Business Commission

Consideration of the City's HUD Five-Year Consolidated Plan for July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2028 and One-Year Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-24

Housing and Community Development Supervisor Betsy ZoBell presented an overview of the CDBG and HOME funds which serve to improve the quality of life for people with low or moderate incomes. Ms. ZoBell presented the five-year priorities for housing and community development activities and requested approval of the five-year consolidate plan and one-year action plan.

Mayor Buenaventura opened the public hearing.

Heather Cleary spoke about the services and programs provided by Peninsula Family Service to support children, families and older adults in the County. In Daly City, programs include the Got Wheels! transportation, peer counseling, technology training, financial programs, and four early learning centers. Heather Cleary thanked the City for its partnership, for the continued CDBG funding at their Mission Street site, and commended the City's plans to develop a new childcare center.

Karla Bourdon spoke about the services provided by Project Read, including one-on-one tutoring for reading and workshops for writing and financial literacy. Karla Bourdon commended the Daly City

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Library for its work, thanked the Council for its continued support, and acknowledged colleague, Program Coordinator Stephanie Torres.

Melissa Lukin spoke about the services provided by Rebuild Together Peninsula, which include home repairs for Daly City residents to continue to live safely and comfortably in their homes. Since 2011, 150 residents of the community have been served through the program. Melissa Lukin thanked the Council for considering the proposed fundings and acknowledged their work with Ms. ZoBell.

Matthew Rosen thanked the Council for considering the proposed funding which would help their organization, Habitat for Humanity Greater San Francisco, which serves low-income homeowners with major home repairs and rehabilitations. The goal of the project is to preserve affordable home ownership in Daly City, particularly for elderly homeowners; projects include roof repairs and plumbing repairs.

Amanda Anthony spoke about the programming offered by Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center, which assists entrepreneurs with starting and growing their businesses. The organization hopes to expand services in areas of childcare and revitalization. Amanda Anthony acknowledged the partnership with the Daly City Library and Recreation departments and thanked the Council for their support.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Manalo, seconded by Councilmember DiGiovanni and carried to close the public hearing. Ms. ZoBell addressed questions on whether information on Section 504 loans through the USDA was provided to organizations, particularly in the area of home repairs.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Manalo, seconded by Councilmember DiGiovanni and carried by unanimous roll call vote to adopt the following resolution:

Resolution 23-69, Approving the Proposed Five-Year HUD Consolidated Plan for Fiscal Years 2023-2024 to 2027-2028 and One-Year Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Introduce Ordinance Adding Chapter 9.60 Re: Firearm Safe Storage

Acting Chief of Police Cameron Christensen provided the staff report to adopt a firearm safe storage requirement to prevent unintended access to firearms which can lead to intentional and accidental injuries and deaths, especially involving youth.

Mayor Buenaventura opened the public hearing.

Mai Le supported the firearm safe storage ordinance and cited a study reporting that firearms are now the leading cause of death for children in the U.S. As a parent, Mai Le expressed concern about studies showing that fewer than half of gun owners practice safe gun storage, increasing the risk of harm to youth.

Alexandra Pavlidakis, Moms Demand Action, thanked Acting Chief Christensen and the Council for considering the ordinance brought forth by their organization. According to Alexandra Pavlidakis, the grassroots, non-partisan organization supports both gun owners and people who have concerns about guns; they respect the Second Amendment while simultaneously trying to better protect people through common sense gun legislation.

Acting Chief Christensen and City Attorney Zimmerman addressed questions on whether the City can designate the type of locking mechanism to secure firearms, whether the City's ordinance can be

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more restrictive than what the state requires, and whether the ordinance can be scheduled for another reading. The Council requested additional information on the issues that were raised during their discussion with staff in order to create a stronger ordinance.

It was moved by Mayor Buenaventura, seconded by Councilmember DiGiovanni and carried to continue the item to the next regular Council meeting of May 8, 2023.

General Plan Amendment GPA-8-20-14643, Zone Change ZC-8-20-14633, Major Subdivision SUB-8-20-15634, Use Permit UPR-8-20-14642, and Design Review DR-8-20-14636 — 14 Three-Story Townhomes at 141 3rd Avenue

Planning Manager Michael Van Lonkhuysen presented the request to amend the General Plan and change the Zoning Map for the construction of fourteen three-story townhomes on a largely vacant property at the subject site.

Mayor Buenaventura opened the public hearing. There were no public comments received.

Mr. Van Lonkhuysen clarified that staff verifies all Councilmembers can vote on Planning items by ensuring the Councilmembers live outside the designated distance from a project site.

Chris Coomer, architect for the developer, addressed questions on the solar energy element of the development, whether the garage supports Level 2 charging access, in-lieu fees, whether the units have rear yards, the layout of the townhome units and parking, whether the project removes parking space along Third Avenue, and whether there is enough space for cars to safely drive out of the lot onto traffic.

It was moved by Councilmember Sylvester, seconded by Vice Mayor Manalo and carried to close the public hearing.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Manalo, seconded by Councilmember Sylvester and carried for the City Attorney to read by title only.

Vice Mayor Manalo introduced the following ordinance:

Ordinance 1465, Amending The Daly City Zoning Map – Rezoning From I-D Interim District To R-3 Residential Multi-Family District

It was moved by Councilmember Daus-Magbual, seconded by Councilmember Sylvester and carried by unanimous roll call vote to adopt the following resolution:

Resolution 23-70, Adopting A Mitigated Negative Declaration, Adopting Findings Of Fact For General Plan Amendment GPA-8-20-14643, Zone Change ZC-8-20-14633, Major Subdivision SUB-8-20-15634, Use Permit UPR-8-20-14642 And Design Review DR-8-20-14636 For 14 Three-Story Townhomes (141 3rd Avenue)

APPOINTMENTS:

It was moved by Vice Mayor Manalo, seconded by Councilmember Sylvester and carried by voice vote to appoint Marian Mann to the Personnel Board.

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REPORTS:

Council Committee

Commute.org (DiGiovanni)

Safe Routes to School (DiGiovanni)

City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County (Manalo)

Vice Mayor Manalo reported her appointment to C/CAG's Congestion Management and Environmental Quality Committee.

City Council

Vice Mayor Manalo joined Mayor Buenaventura in welcoming the United Pangasinans at City Hall and thanked Assistant to the City Manager Ramos, City Manager Piccolotti, and staff. Vice Mayor Manalo thanked Recreation's Denise Brown, Opal Fuller, Leslie DuBridge, and the department heads for their work to honor the seniors at the senior volunteer appreciation luncheon at Doelger Center. The Vice Mayor also attended Jefferson High School's annual car show to support the school and the Jefferson High School parade, commending the school's varsity basketball and soccer teams and Coaches Falabala and Magallanes; in attendance were Senator Weiner, Supervisor Canepa, Acting Chief Christensen, and the Police and Fire Departments. Vice Mayor Manalo acknowledged the opening of the San Mateo Highway 101 express lane which generates funds for communities in need; in attendance were Congressman Mullen, Assemblywoman Papan, and Supervisor Canepa. Vice Mayor Manalo announced the opening of Dragon House MMA, a martial arts studio on Geneva Avenue. Vice Mayor Manalo joined Mayor Buenaventura for the 52nd celebration of the United Pangasinans of America, Inc. Vice Mayor Manalo attended the Progress Seminar, commending its uniqueness in bringing together elected officials and the private, public, and the non-profit sectors. Vice Mayor Manalo met with Jonathan, Director of External Relations with the Jewish Community Relations Council, and supported Jonathan's request for a Jewish American Heritage Month resolution.

Councilmember Daus-Magbual attended the Progress Seminar and highlighted various workshops he participated in, including HeartMath practice, housing, the environment, and labor.

Councilmember DiGiovanni attended the Progress Seminar, highlighted the HeartMath workshop, and joined the roundtable with Congressman Mullen and Assemblywoman Papan during the seminar. She acknowledged the Sutter Health mobile stroke unit serving San Mateo County. Councilmember DiGiovanni acknowledged Ms. Brown, Ms. Fuller, Brian, Mr. Piccolotti, Mr. Cosgrove, Ms. Sakkal, Ms. Mothershead, Ms. Ramos, Ms. DuBridge, Andrea, and the Police, Fire and Library departments for their work at the senior volunteer appreciation luncheon at Doelger Center. Councilmember DiGiovanni attended the Jefferson High School parade and acknowledged the soccer and basketball teams' achievements; in attendance were Kalimah, Andy, Rosie, Theresa, and Reina. Councilmember DiGiovanni acknowledged Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day to remember over 1.5 million lives lost in 1915. Councilmember DiGiovanni met with developers and supported a life sciences development in Daly City to help with revenue and budget deficits. Councilmember DiGiovanni supported a resolution for Jewish American Heritage Month.

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Councilmember Sylvester attended the Progress Seminar and highlighted the Sustainability for the Future workshop which discussed how ICE vehicles will no longer be available for purchase in the year 2035. They also discussed the expansion of solar energy power, the work of Peninsula Clean Energy, the purchase of an EV, installing tankless heaters, and changing light bulbs, among other things, in order to support sustainable energies.

Mayor Buenaventura thanked City Manager Piccolotti, Assistant to the City Manager Ramos, and all the Directors for accommodating and welcoming the Pangasinan group who visited City Hall. Mayor Buenaventura acknowledged and thanked all the City's leadership, including Acting Police Chief Christensen and Director Chiu, who were present at tonight's meeting and who are always present throughout the meetings.

Staff:

City Manager Piccolotti reported that during last Monday's Study Session, staff was tasked with looking at the City's discretionary spending and operating accounts and provided an update as to when the information might become available to Council.

Assistant to the City Manager Ramos provided information on upcoming Daly City events. For Earth Day, there will be a free compost giveaway at the Department of Water and Wastewater located at 153 Lake Merced Blvd. (9AM-4PM, April 27-28), the annual recycling event at City Hall (9:30 AM-12:30 PM on May 6), and volunteering activities such as park cleanups. City Hall will also host the DCPLA's annual Youth Poet Laureate Program on April 27 at 6:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Buenaventura adjourned the meeting at 10:20 PM in memory of Luis Manuel Alfonso Jr., William Ian Lewis, Jennifer Quema Filamor, and Johnny Ligot Giron.

Approved as submitted, this 8th

day of May, 2023.

Raymond A. Buenaventura
Mayor

City Clerk