



City of Salinas

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Meeting Minutes - Unofficial

City Council

Mayor Joe Gunter

Councilmembers:

Scott Davis, District 1 - Tony Barrera, District 2

Steve McShane, District 3 - Gloria De La Rosa, District 4

Christie Cromeenes, District 5 - John "Tony" Villegas, District 6

Ray E. Corpuz, Jr., City Manager

Christopher A. Callihan, City Attorney

City Clerk's Office: (831) 758-7381

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

4:00 PM

SALINAS ROTUNDA

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Councilmember Tony Barrera
Councilmember Christie Cromeenes
Councilmember Scott Davis
Councilmember Gloria De La Rosa
Councilmember Steve McShane
Mayor Joe Gunter

Absent: 1 - Councilmember John Villegas

PROCLAMATION

The City Council proclaimed:

Pink Shirt Day, February 27, 2019

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Received public comment.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

[ID#19-097](#)

Innovation Team Update

Received report from GIS Administrator Eric Sandoval highlighting the Innovation Team formed in the summer of 2017, a City Manager initiative. The Team's focus is improving effective and sustainable government through innovative data-driven, decision making and implementation of organizational change via new business processes, enhanced work flow, new technology and supporting government transparency.

The following audience members commented on the report:

Cesar Lara, Building Healthy Communities

Unidentified audience member

Al Espindola

No action is required. This report presents information to the City Council regarding the Innovation Team Update.

[ID#19-114](#)

Commercial Cannabis Industry in Salinas

Received report from Planning Manager Courtney Grossman pursuant to Salinas Municipal Code Sec. 5-07.49, providing findings regarding the operations of cannabis businesses within the City. The report included information regarding employment, community benefits, tax revenue, crime, and building and zoning compliance.

The following audience members commented on the report:

Al Espindola

Cesar Lara

No action is required. This report presents information to the City Council regarding the Commercial Cannabis Industry.

PUBLIC HEARING

[ID#19-104](#)

Miscellaneous 2017-003; 1040 North Main Street (Outdoor Market)

Received report from Community Development Director Megan Hunter which is filed with the City Clerk for the record.

The following audience members commented on the report:

Al Espindola

Upon motion by Councilmember De La Rosa, seconded by Councilmember Cromeenes, Resolution 21564 allowing the continued operation of an Outdoor Market at 1040 North Main Street (Salinas Sports Complex) on Sundays with revised hours and a maximum of 110 vendors and customized operations on Fridays and find the Outdoor Market exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Cromeenes, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane and Mayor Gunter

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Villegas

Enactment No: RES 21564

[ID#19-017](#)

Downtown Parking District Rate Increase

Received report from Transportation Planner James Serrano which is filed with the City Clerk for the record.

The following audience members commented on the report:

Steve Ish, Taylor Farms Vice President

Eric Petersen

Larry, Maya Cinemas

Paul Farmer, Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce

Kevin Dayton, SCCIA

Mary Ann Worden

Jerry Kehoe, 201 Main Street

Frank Saunders, SCCIA
Nona Childress
James Sang

MOTION

Councilmember McShane made a motion to approve the proposed fees as presented and shall take effect July 1, 2019; the first year rate for the Monterey Street Parking Garage in Exhibit A shall reflect \$30; and within 90 days, the City staff will present to the Finance Subcommittee incentives for hourly parking on surface lots and the Monterey Street Parking Garage for validation agreements followed by final consideration by the City Council. Motion was second by Councilmember Cromeenes.

Upon motion by Councilmember McShane, seconded by Councilmember Cromeenes, Resolution 21565 approving parking rate increases for existing paid parking programs within the Downtown Parking District was approved as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Cromeenes, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane and Mayor Gunter

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Villegas

Enactment No: RES 21565

CONSIDERATION

[ID#19-080](#)

FY 2018-19 Mid-Year Budget Review and Adjustments

Received report from Finance Director Matt Pressey which is filed with the City Clerk for the record.

The following audience members commented on the report:

*Al Espindola
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MOTION

Councilmember Davis made a motion to approve the FY 2018-19 Mid-Year Budget Review and Adjustments as presented with the exception of Public Works request No. 12 outlined in Exhibit A. Motion was second by Councilmember Cromeenes.

Upon motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Cromeenes, Resolution 21566 accepting the mid-year FY 2018-19 budget review reports and amendments to the FY 2018-19 operating and capital budgets for the City of Salinas was approved as amended. The motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Cromeenes, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane and Mayor Gunter

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Villegas

Enactment No: RES 21566

CONSENT AGENDA

[ID#19-096](#)

Minutes

Upon motion by Councilmember De La Rosa, seconded by Councilmember

McShane, the minutes of January 19, 2019 and February 5, 2019 were approved.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Cromeenes, Councilmember Davis,
Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane and Mayor Gunter

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Villegas

[ID#19-118](#) **Financial Claims**

Upon motion by Councilmember De La Rosa, seconded by Councilmember McShane, the financial claims report was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Cromeenes, Councilmember Davis,
Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane and Mayor Gunter

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Villegas

[ID#19-094](#) **Downtown Complete Streets Project**

Upon motion by Councilmember McShane, seconded by Councilmember Davis, Resolution 21567 approving the plans and specifications for the Downtown Complete Streets; Project No. 9090; Federal Project HSIPL-5045(032); and authorize the issuance of an Invitation to Bidders, with bids to be opened on March 19, 2019; and approve associated transfers request for \$1,607,000 for the Downtown Complete Streets Project was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Cromeenes, Councilmember Davis,
Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane and Mayor Gunter

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Villegas

Enactment No: RES 21567

[ID#19-098](#) **“No Parking” Red Zones along Caribbean Avenue and Hawaii Place**

Upon motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember McShane, Resolution 21568 approving the establishment of total of 50 feet "No Parking" red zones along Caribbean Avenue and Hawaii Place to provide a passing zone was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Cromeenes, Councilmember Davis,
Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane and Mayor Gunter

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Villegas

Enactment No: RES 21568

[ID#19-099](#) **“No Parking” Red Zone at San Vicente Avenue and Talbot Street**

Upon motion by Councilmember De La Rosa, seconded by Councilmember McShane, Resolution 21569 establishing 35 feet of "No Parking" red zone to provide sufficient sight lines at the intersection of San Vicente Avenue and Talbot Street was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Councilmember Barrera, Councilmember Cromeenes, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane and Mayor Gunter

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Villegas

Enactment No: RES 21569

[ID#19-100](#)

An Ordinance prohibiting disturbances and unruly gatherings; Cost-recovery for multiple responses

Introduced an Ordinance adding Article XI to Chapter 5 of the Salinas Municipal Code to prohibiting disturbances and unruly gatherings and imposing sanctions, in the form of City costs, when City officials respond multiple times to the same disturbance.

Enactment No: ORD 2615

[ID#19-102](#)

Parking Restrictions along Bridge Street and East Lake Street

Upon motion by Councilmember De La Rosa, seconded by Councilmember Davis, Resolution 21570 approving the designation and installation of red zones along Bridge Street, and the designation and installation of 20-minute green zones along East Lake Street was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Councilmember Cromeenes, Councilmember Davis, Councilmember De La Rosa, Councilmember McShane and Mayor Gunter

Noes: 1 - Councilmember Barrera

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Villegas

Enactment No: RES 21570

COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS, APPOINTMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Davis reported that he met with Supervisor Luis Alejo regarding Prop 68 and recommended the City submit a joint City/County application. He requested reaching out to County Resource Management Agency to work together in relocating the skate park and implementation of a BMX pump track. Councilmember Davis requested the Public Art Committee consider graffiti art mural projects. He additionally requested an update on the blight ordinance and Natividad park clean-up.

Councilmember Barrera commended Ms. Triumpho-Sullivan for the grand opening of the new bookstore in Downtown Salinas. He requested a moment of silence in honor of the lives lost in the Chinatown area.

Councilmember De La Rosa reported that she attended a successful Traffic Calming meeting at Kamman Elementary School and attended the Downtown Community Board meeting.

Councilmember Cromeenes commended the employee unions showing solidarity during public comment and expressed support of a healthier City and community.

Councilmember McShane requested the City Manager establish a working group with employee to address The Salinas Plan. He reported that he has been in contact with property owners along the Union Pacific right of way and recommended exploring a 50/50

Homeless Encampment Program. Request was second by Councilmember Cromeenes. Councilmember McShane appointed Jeff Davis to the Traffic and Transportation Commission. He additionally requested a presentation from the Big Sur Land Trust regarding Carr Lake, a "Welcome to Salinas" marquee, and the installation and dedication of the Japanese Peace Pole project.

Mayor Gunter reported he will reconvene the Council Subcommittee to revisit the City Council Rules and Procedures, presentation and future agenda item request policy. He stated he will make the appointments at a future meeting. Mayor Gunter appointed Councilmember McShane to the Community Human Services Board. Mayor Gunter reported he attended the Salinas Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency meeting. In closing, he reported staff is working on solidifying funding for the regional soccer field.

CLOSED SESSION

The City Council recessed to closed session at 9:38 p.m. pursuant to:

[ID#19-119](#)

a. Existing Litigation - Cal. Govt. Code §54956.9(d)(1), conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation, *Rodas-Sanchez v. City of Salinas, et al.* (USDC, ND Cal. Case No. 5.18-cv-00220-LHK).

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

Pursuant to California Government Code section 54957.1, there were no reportable actions on closed session matters.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVED:

Joseph Gunter, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk