

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Hunter T. George called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmembers David M Viafore, Shannon Reynolds, Brett Wittner, Joe Barrentine, and Denny Waltier were present.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

George requested that the agenda order be arranged to move the Consent Calendar and the New Business items to the beginning. There were no objections.

CONSENT CALENDAR

George requested the City Clerk read the Consent Calendar: approval of Voucher No. 216586 through Voucher Check No. 216668 in the amount of \$847,951.79; approval of payroll electronic funds transfer in the amount of \$140,499.91; registering no objections to the Shogun Japanese Express liquor license renewal; approval of the June 8, 2021, Regular meeting minutes. **Barrentine MOVED to approve the Consent Calendar as read; seconded by Wittner. The Motion Carried (6-0).**

NEW BUSINESS

A. Ordinance No 1674: Amendments to FMC 22.26.025 Sign Code Exemptions

Planning & Building Administrator Stahlnecker provided a brief overview of the proposed Ordinance and noted that no comments were received at the Public Hearing on June 8, 2021. **Wittner MOVED to adopt Ordinance No. 1674, amending the Fircrest Municipal Code 22.26.025, Sign Exemptions and Ordinance 1598, Section 25.; seconded by Barrentine.** George invited councilmember comment; none were provided. George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (6-0).**

B. Resolution No. 1715: Amendment #3 to Parametrix Contract for Project Inspection and Reporting Services

City Manager Pingel briefed the Council on the proposed contract amendment and highlighted that the amendment will help ensure the construction team stays on time and budget. **Wittner MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1715, authorizing the City Manager to execute Amendment #3 to the contract for project inspection and reporting services for the Fircrest Community Center project with Parametrix; seconded by Waltier.** George invited councilmember comment; none were provided. George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (6-0).**

PRESIDING OFFICER’S REPORT

A. Council Vacancy Discussion and Vote

George provided a brief overview of the Council vacancy, and the Council had the opportunity to hear from the following residents who applied for the vacancy:

- Thomas Chontofalsky, 1306 Farallone Avenue
- Aaron Giuliani, 1482 Estate Place
- Alice McDaniel, 1315 Coral Drive
- Venus Dean-Bullinger, 318 Contra Costa Avenue
- Blake Surina, 1101 Regents Boulevard
- Craig Roberts, 605 Maywood Lane
- Elaine Moates, 805 Spring Street
- Clinton Dearborn, 537 Monterey Lane

- Marc Rieke, 1033 Sunrise Lane
- Terry Carnes, 1008 Corona Drive

George invited public comment. The following individuals provided public comment:

- Yolonda Brooks, 6464 19th St W #C, commented there are many great candidates, and it will be a difficult decision.
- James Moore, 1326 Berkeley Ave, commented on his support of applicant Dean-Bullinger.
- Jim Andrews, 1301 Magnolia Drive, commented that he was not informed that the candidates who are running in the Fall election were removed from the process and was displeased with the communication.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A.** At 8:27 P.M. George reported that the Council would take a five-minute recess and convene into Executive Session, not to exceed 60 minutes to evaluate the qualifications of a candidate for appointment to elective office per RCW 42.30.110(1)(h).

At 9:35 P.M., the Council reconvened into regular session briefly. The Council had a 5-minute recess and reconvened at 9:39 P.M.

PRESIDING OFFICER’S REPORT

B. Pool & Community Center Project Update

City Manager Pingel reported that the construction of the Community Center remains on track and there is a liquid choline shortage, but we anticipate receiving a shipment at the end of next week.

A. Council Vacancy Discussion and Vote

There were discussions held on the difficult decision to appoint the position as they are all qualified for the position. The Council thanked all who applied and urged them to stay involved with the community.

Viafore MOVED to appoint Blake Surina to the Fircrest City Council Position No. 7 to fill the unexpired term of Jamie Nixon; seconded by Waltier. Viafore commented that Mr. Surina is a safe bet and knows the Council. Upon a roll call vote, **The Motion Failed (3-3) with George, Reynolds, and Barrentine dissenting.**

Barrentine MOVED to appoint Venus Dean-Bullinger to the Fircrest City Council Position No. 7 to fill the unexpired term of Jamie Nixon; seconded by George. Barrentine commented that he supports diversity, and the Council should match the residents they represent. Upon a roll call vote, **The Motion Failed (3-3) with Viafore, Reynolds, and Waltier dissenting.**

Reynolds MOVED to appoint Marc Rieke to the Fircrest City Council Position No. 7 to fill the unexpired term of Jamie Nixon; seconded by Barrentine. Reynolds commented that Rieke is highly qualified and was very impressed with his interview. Upon a roll call vote, **The Motion Carried (4-2) with Wittner, and Waltier dissenting.**

The Council congratulated Mr. Rieke on his appointment.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

There were no comments provided.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

There were no comments provided.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

- Reynolds commented that she would like the staff to investigate getting AEDs for the police vehicles as an officer had to perform CPR recently.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

George invited public comment. The following individuals provided public comment:

- James Moore, 1326 Berkeley Ave, commented on his support of adding the Whittier Park Master Plan to the 2022 budget.

Viafore MOVED to waive the remaining portion of the agenda; seconded by Barrentine.

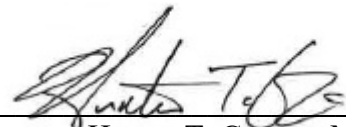
George invited councilmember comment; none were provided. George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion carried (6-0)**

George commented that with the new reservation system at the pool, he asked that the public give be patient with the staff.

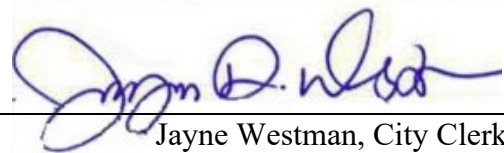
Waltier commented that he observed great customer service from the staff member, Chris Wells.

ADJOURNMENT

Wittner MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 P.M., seconded by Barrentine. The Motion Carried (6-0).



Hunter T. George, Mayor



Jayne Westman, City Clerk