

**JOINT PINOLE CITY COUNCIL AND  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE  
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF PINOLE  
MINUTES  
JANUARY 15, 2019**

**1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE IN HONOR OF THE US MILITARY TROOPS**

The Regular Pinole City Council Meeting was held in the Pinole Council Chambers, 2131 Pear Street, Pinole, California. Mayor Murray called the Regular Meeting of the City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. ROLL CALL, CITY CLERK'S REPORT & STATEMENT OF CONFLICT**

**A. COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT**

Peter Murray, Mayor  
Roy Swearingen, Mayor Pro Tem  
Norma Martinez-Rubin, Council Member  
Vincent Salimi, Council Member  
Anthony Tave, Council Member

**B. STAFF PRESENT**

Michelle Fitzer, City Manager  
Hector De La Rosa, Assistant City Manager  
Eric Casher, City Attorney  
Tamara Miller, Development Services Director/City Engineer  
Neil Gang, Police Chief  
Andrea Miller, Finance Director  
Scott Kouns, Fire Chief  
Winston Rhodes, Planning Manager

Deputy City Clerk De La Rosa announced the agenda was posted on January 10, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. All legally required notice was provided.

Deputy City Clerk De La Rosa announced the a Powerpoint pertaining to Item # 6B-1 on the agenda was provided at the dais for the Council with copies at the rear of the Chamber for the public.

Following an inquiry to the Council, the Council reported there were no conflicts with any items on the agenda.

**3. CONVENE TO A CLOSED SESSION**

***NONE***

**4. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO ANNOUNCE RESULTS OF CLOSED SESSION**

## 5. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (Public Comments)

At 6:18 pm, the Mayor inquired if there were any Public Comments. The following speakers addressed the City Council:

**Jeff Rubin**, President of the Pinole Historical Society, informed the Council of their next meeting and topic and provided an update on the Pinole History Museum fundraising efforts.

**Rafael Menis**, resident of Pinole, informed the public of vacancies in the Planning Commission and encouraged individuals to apply.

**Ivette Rico**, Chair for Pinole 4 Fair Government, informed the Council of the organizations priority areas of concerns and asked for volunteers to be part of their committees.

**Bob Kopp**, resident of Pinole, expressed his dissatisfaction on the funding for the County library without first reviewing the contract.

## 6. RECOGNITIONS / PRESENTATIONS / COMMUNITY EVENTS

### A. Proclamations

- a. Proclamation presented to Police Officer of the Year, Franco Dalao
- b. Proclamation presented to Firefighter of the Year, Steven Dorsey
- c. Retirement of Beth Bartke

Mayor Murray read and presented a Proclamation to the Police Officer and Firefighter of the year and a Certificate of Appreciation to a Retired employee.

### B. Presentations / Recognitions

- a. Sewer Operations Update by Development Services Director/City Engineer Tamara Miller

Development Services Director/City Engineer Tamara Miller presented a Powerpoint on the City's Wastewater System and outlined the Action Needed going forward.

- b. Emergency Preparedness by Police Chief Neil Gang and Fire Chief Scott Kouns

Police Chief Neil Gang, Fire Chief Scott Kouns and support staff presented an overview of what is needed in preparation of an emergency. The overview included a Plan, documenting resources and training. They outlined a three prong approach of 1) training public safety employees, 2) training City employees and 3) training the community.

Mayor and Councilmembers ask questions regarding access to the Emergency Operations Center if access is limited, does City have backup generators, how to prepare staff and the community and preparing/utilizing neighborhood watch groups.

The following speaker addressed the City Council:

**Maureen Toms**, resident of Pinole, stated that she is glad Pinole staff is getting ready and suggested the City identify a Public Information Officer to get information out to the community.

**Rafael Menis**, resident of Pinole, requested clarification on a comment from the Fire Chief regarding triage prioritization.

**Ivette Rico**, resident of Pinole, stated that the City needs to reinstitute the Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT) and neighborhood watch programs.

Agenda Item C was delayed for Speakers arrival

c. BART Update by Board Director Lateefah Simon

Bart Director Lateefah Simon presented a Powerpoint on Bart's 20 year \$3.5 billion capital improvement plan to fix the Bart system.

Mayor and Councilmembers ask questions regarding the Expenditure Plan, direct service from Pinole to Bart, and cleanliness of the trains.

The following speaker addressed the City Council:

**Maureen Toms**, resident of Pinole, stated that there is a need for transit to Pinole.

**Rafael Menis**, resident of Pinole, stated that expansion of the Bart system to Pinole is needed.

## 7. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve the Minutes of the Meetings of December 4 and December 18, 2018
- B. Receive the December 15, 2018 – January 11, 2019 List of Warrants in the Amount of \$921,910.01; December 28, 2018 Payroll in the Amount of \$363,556.35 and the January 11, 2019 Payroll in the Amount of \$437,763.29
- C. Approve An Amendment to the Contract and Issue a Task Order for 4 Leaf Inc. for Contract Building Inspector / Code Enforcement Services in an Amount Not to Exceed \$140,000, and Amending the Budget Appropriation [Action: Approve Resolution Per Staff Recommendation (W. Rhodes)]

## SUCCESSOR AGENCY BOARD ITEM

- E. Approve the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 19-20) for the Period of July 1, 2019 Through June 30, 2020 (\$5,558,675) [Action: Approve Resolution Per Staff Recommendation (A. Miller)]

**ACTION: Motion by Council/Boardmembers Martinez-Rubin/Swearingen to approve Consent Calendar Items 7A – 7C, and 7E.**

<b>Vote:</b>	<b>Passed</b>	<b>5-0</b>
	<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Murray, Swearingen, Tave, Martinez-Rubin, Salimi</b>
	<b>Noes:</b>	<b>None</b>
	<b>Abstain:</b>	<b>None</b>
	<b>Absent:</b>	<b>None</b>

At 9:36 pm, Mayor Murray adjournment of the meeting of the **Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Pinole.**

Agenda Item D was pulled for further discussion

- D. Authorizing One Time Expenditures From Fiscal Year 2017/18 Measure S 2006 Savings in an Amount Not to Exceed \$375,000 for Police Vehicle and Equipment  
**[Action: Approve Resolution Per Staff Recommendation (N. Gang)]**

Police Chief Gang presented a brief description and the purpose of the items requested under item D.

**ACTION: Motion by Councilmembers Swearingen/ Martinez-Rubin to approve Consent Calendar Items 7D.**

<b>Vote:</b>	<b>Passed</b>	<b>5-0</b>
	<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Murray, Swearingen, Tave, Martinez-Rubin, Salimi</b>
	<b>Noes:</b>	<b>None</b>
	<b>Abstain:</b>	<b>None</b>
	<b>Absent:</b>	<b>None</b>

**8. PUBLIC HEARING**

**NONE**

**9. OLD BUSINESS**

**NONE**

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Discuss a Possible Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Pinole and the West Contra Costa Unified School District for Offsite Improvements Related to the Pinole Valley High School Project and the Rule 20A Utilities Undergrounding Project  
**[Action: Receive Report and Provide Direction to Staff (T. Miller)]**

Development Services Director/City Engineer Tamara Miller presented the report.

Councilmembers inquired about City obligations, Schools obligations and who would be responsible for cost overruns if the City was to take over the responsibility for the street improvements which is currently the responsibility of the School.

The following speaker addressed the City Council:

**Rafael Menis**, resident of Pinole, inquired as to what would happen with the Project if PG&E goes bankrupt.

**ACTION: Direction to move forward negotiating a Memorandum of Understanding with the West Contra Costa Unified School District for the Offsite Improvements on Pinole Valley Road.**

## 11. REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Mayor Report  
1. Announcements

Mayor Murray announced the Rotary Crab Feed scheduled for Feb. 16, 2019 in which they will honor Firefighter and Police Officers of the Year. He also stated that he and Mayor Pro Tem Swearingen attending the Mayors Conference with the discussion focusing on the Richmond Ferry Services and CASA.

- B. Mayoral & Council Appointments

**NONE**

- C. City Council Committee Reports & Communications

Councilmember Tave attended the WCCUSD meeting.

Councilmember Martinez-Rubin stated she will be attending the WestCat meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Swearingen attended the Senior Center Crab Feed and received an email sent to local business about an Economic Development Committee.

- D. Council Requests For Future Agenda Items

**NONE**

- E. City Manager Report / Department Staff

City Manager Fitzer announced that she and the new councilmembers would be attending the League of Cities training. She also stated that the Recycle More City Managers group was not able to reach agreement on the contract and would each submit their comments to the Recycle More Board for their consideration.

At 10:26 pm, Councilmember Tave excused himself and left the meeting.

- F. City Attorney Report

Announced that PG&E would be filing for bankruptcy and we would be looking at our right on our interest with PG&E.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT to the Special City Council Workshop of January 22, 2019 In Remembrance of Amber Swartz.

At 10:30 p.m., Mayor Murray adjourned to the **Special City Council Workshop of January 22, 2018, in Remembrance of Amber Swartz, Coleman Fannin, Betty Stanley and the Robert Parker.**

Submitted by:



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**Hector De La Rosa, Deputy City Clerk**

Approved by City Council: February 5, 2019

