

## PIEDMONT CITY COUNCIL

### Regular Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, February 20, 2024

A Regular Session of the Piedmont City Council in the City Hall Council Chambers, 120 Vista Avenue, was held on February 20, 2024. In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2, the agenda for this meeting was posted for public inspection on February 15, 2024.

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Cavanaugh called the Regular Session meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and announced no reportable actions from the Closed Session.

**ROLL CALL** Present: Mayor Jennifer Cavanaugh, Vice Mayor Betsy Smegal Andersen, and Councilmembers Jennifer Long, Conna McCarthy, and Tom Ramsey

Staff Present: City Administrator Rosanna Bayon Moore, City Attorney Michelle Marchetta Kenyon, Acting Fire Chief Justin McNulty, Planning and Building Director Kevin Jackson, Senior Planner Pierce Macdonald, Associate Planner Gopika Nair, Assistant Planner Steven Lizzarago, Finance Director Michael Szczech, Communications Program Manager Echa Schnieder, Parks and Project Manager Nancy Kent, and Deputy City Clerk Lisa Argue

**PUBLIC FORUM** **Public Comment** received from:

Zayda Weber, 7<sup>th</sup> grade Girl Scout from Troop 33943, announced a period product drive and shared donation locations and partnerships.

Dr. Steve Sidney announced an article he wrote about glyphosate that will be published in the Piedmont Post, and offered to provide the content of his letter for inclusion in the public record.

**CONSENT CALENDAR** The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

**Minutes** Approval of City Council Minutes for 2/5/2024

**Crocker Park Pathway Renovation Project to South Bay Grading Contract and Construction Budget** Consideration of the Award of a Contract for the Crocker Park Pathway Renovation Project to South Bay Grading (0045)

**Moraga Canyon Specific Plan Contract Amendment** Consideration of Approval of a Contract Amendment with JZMK Partners for Services Related to the Preparation of a Moraga Canyon Specific Plan (0045)

There was no **Public Comment** received.

#### **Resolution 07-2024**

RESOLVED, that the City Council approves the Consent Calendar as presented.

Moved by McCarthy, Seconded by Long

Ayes: Andersen, Cavanaugh, Long, McCarthy, Ramsey

Noes: None

Abstain: Andersen (meeting minutes for 2/5/24)

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**2023-2031 Housing  
Element Certification,  
Adoption of the  
General Plan  
Amendments, and  
First Reading of  
Ordinance No. 772  
N.S.**

Consideration of: (1) Certification of the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation EIR, and Adoption of Required Findings, a Statement of Overriding Considerations and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; (2) Adoption of General Plan Amendments in Conformance with the City's 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle Housing Element; and (3) Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 772 N.S. Adding Divisions 17.52 Density Bonus, and 17.54 Urban Lot Splits and Two Unit Housing Developments (SB 9) to Chapter 17 of the Piedmont Municipal Code; Amending Divisions 17.02, 17.20, 17.22, 17.24, 17.26, 17.28, 17.30, 17.90, 17.40, 17.67 to Implement the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation Project.

Planning and Building Director Kevin Jackson introduced staff and consultants involved in the preparations and noted that the presentation is in three parts starting with the General Plan Amendments and followed by the Zoning Ordinance Amendments review and environmental impact report (EIR) review.

Senior Planner Pierce Macdonald presented an overview of the General Plan Amendments, program 1.P, community outreach, Land Use Element Amendments, Figure 3.3 Amended Land Use Diagram, Environmental Hazards Element, Transportation Element, Design and Preservation Element, Community Services and Facilities, Natural Resources and Sustainability, and Parks, Recreation, and Open Space. Additionally, she noted that the draft resolution for the General Plan Amendment in Attachment B, has been prepared by City staff and provides the findings for the City Council to approve the amendments to the Piedmont General Plan. She also highlighted revisions made today.

Associate Planner Gopika Nair presented the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, Housing Element implementation schedule, summary related to the Zoning Ordinance Amendments, allowed new permitted and conditional uses in all zones, revised development standards and regulations for all zones, revised single-family and multi-family parking standards and regulations, revised definitions and measurements Division 17.90, other revised sections/division, and next steps.

Assistant Planner Steven Lizzarago provided a brief overview of the two new divisions in the Piedmont Planning Code to support the State Density Bonus Law and Senate Bill 9 (SB 9): urban lot splits and two-unit housing developments.

Abe Leider from Rincon Consultants, Inc. presented the Housing Element project EIR, purpose of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), EIR process, program EIR, impacts and mitigation in the Draft EIR, final EIR, and EIR certification findings.

**Public Comment** received from:

Garrett Keating expressed concern for greenhouse gases, suggested a conservative approach and community engagement, and questioned an increase in density in Zone A from the local Zone Ordinance. Elise Collins suggested replacing "and" with "or" in the Land Use Plan description for Moraga Canyon to read "... maintain, replace, or improve existing city facilities ...". Additionally, she noted a decreased population

projection and the need to increase the population and provide more housing in Piedmont.

Andy Madeira agreed with changing the wording in the Land Use Plan and suggested not having a half mile parking requirement in Chapter 17/Division 30 and leaving the affordable housing exemption to provide the City flexibility to site the affordable housing within the specific planning area.

WHEREAS, State of California housing element law, as set forth in Government Code §§ 65302 and 65580, et seq., requires the City of Piedmont to periodically prepare and update its Housing Element in its General Plan, and to establish goals, policies, and programs to accommodate the maintenance, diversification, and expansion of the City's housing supply to accommodate the City of Piedmont's regional housing needs allocation (RHNA), which for the 6th Cycle is 587 housing units, comprised of 238 above moderate income units, 92 moderate income units, 94 low income units, and 163 extremely and very low income units; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 65588 requires local agencies to update their housing element at least every eight years; and

WHEREAS, to comply with State housing element law, the City of Piedmont prepared the 2023-2031 6th Cycle Housing Element (the 6th Cycle Housing Element); and

WHEREAS, Piedmont's 6th Cycle Housing Element was adopted by the City Council on March 20, 2023, and found by the California Department of Housing and Community Development to be in substantial compliance with Housing Element law on November 9, 2023; and

WHEREAS, housing goals, policies, and programs in the adopted 6th Cycle Housing Element direct the City to amend the General Plan for consistency with the Housing Element and direct the City to make amendments to zoning regulations applicable to all zoning districts within Piedmont, as well as other future implementation programs; and

WHEREAS, a Notice of Preparation for a Housing Element program-level environmental impact report (EIR) was released on February 16, 2022, the City of Piedmont held a scoping meeting at a special meeting of the Planning Commission on March 1, 2022, and the scoping public comment period lasted from February 16, 2022 to March 18, 2022; and

WHEREAS, as provided in Government Code Sections 65352 – 65352.5, the City of Piedmont referred the Housing Element environmental review to all California Native American tribes on the contact list provided by the Native American Heritage Commission and to other entities listed, and no California Native American tribe requested consultation; and

WHEREAS, during the Housing Element EIR scoping public comment period, the City of Piedmont received 13 written comments and verbal comments made during the March 1, 2022 scoping meeting; and

WHEREAS, the City conducted extensive community outreach in support of the 6th Cycle Housing Element update process over 22 months with an

innovative and robust public engagement process, including two community workshops, three City Council meetings, 13 Planning Commission meetings, two meetings of the Housing Advisory Committee, a meeting of the Recreation Commission, a meeting of the Park Commission, two online forums, two open houses, and tables at community events, as well as online engagement tools, regular news stories in local media, email newsletters to over 4,000 email subscribers, emails to the School District employees and City employees, correspondence with Piedmont religious institutions, meetings with property owners in Zones A, B, C, and D, citywide streetlight banners announcing the 6th Cycle Housing Element website, and posters at local businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) was published on November 3, 2023 for a 45-day public comment period that ended on December 18, 2023, the Planning Commission took comments on the DEIR at a regular meeting on December 11, 2023, and the City of Piedmont received 15 comment letters; and

WHEREAS, the DEIR made the following conclusions: (1) no impacts related to agriculture, forestry, and mineral resources; (2) less than significant impacts related to aesthetics, air quality, biological resources, energy, hydrology, water quality, land use, planning, population, housing, public services, recreation, and tribal cultural resources; (3) potentially significant but mitigatable impacts related to geology and soils, and hazards and hazardous materials; and (4) significant and unavoidable impacts related to cultural resources, historical resources, greenhouse gas emissions, noise, wildfire, transportation, utilities, and service systems; and

WHEREAS, study sessions of either the Planning Commission or City Council were held on October 9, November 13, November 20, December 11, and December 18, 2023 and January 8, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) including responses to comments, revisions to the DEIR, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP), was published on January 12, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Draft EIR and Response to Comments, together with Minor Revisions to the Draft EIR and a determination that recirculation is not required, constitute the FEIR; and

WHEREAS, the FEIR identify certain potentially significant adverse effects on the environment caused by the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation project; and

WHEREAS, a Statement of Overriding Considerations has been prepared by the City of Piedmont with respect to significant and unavoidable environmental impacts from development facilitated by the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation project on cultural resources, historical resources, greenhouse gas emissions, noise, wildfire, transportation, utilities, and service systems, including cumulative impacts; and

WHEREAS, the City Council specifically finds that where more than one reason for recommending the Housing Element Implementation project and rejecting alternatives is given in its findings or in the record, and where more

than one reason is given for adopting the Statement of Overriding Considerations, it would have made its decision on the basis of any one of those reasons; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires, in accordance with CEQA, to declare that, despite the potential for significant environmental effects that cannot be substantially lessened or avoided through the adoption of feasible mitigation measures or feasible alternatives, there exist certain overriding economic, social, and other considerations for approving the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation project that justify the occurrence of those impacts; and

WHEREAS, the City Council fully reviewed, considered and evaluated all the testimony and evidence submitted regarding the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation project and determined that a Statement of Overriding Considerations is warranted; and

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2024, the public hearing notice noticing the Planning Commission's consideration of a resolution to the City Council to certify the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation EIR, consisting of the DEIR and FEIR, was published in the The Piedmonter newspaper, mailed to responsible agencies and neighboring agencies, and emailed to members of the public who submitted written comments and community members who participated in the preparation of the Housing Element; and

WHEREAS, the draft amendments to the City of Piedmont General Plan were published on December 6, 2023, and consists of amendments to the following General Plan Elements: Land Use; Transportation; Natural Resources and Sustainability; Environmental Hazards (Safety and Noise); Parks, Recreation, and Open Space; Design and Preservation; and Community Services and Facilities; and

WHEREAS, the draft amendments to the City of Piedmont City Code, Chapter 17, Planning and Land Use (Zoning Ordinance) were published on January 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2024, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing, took public comment, and recommended that the City Council certify the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation Project Environmental Impact Report and adopt CEQA Findings, a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; and

WHEREAS, On February 20, 2024, the City Council held a duly noticed public hearing to consider certification of the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation Project Environmental Impact Report and adoption of CEQA Findings, Statement of Overriding Considerations, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Piedmont does hereby resolve, declare, determine, and order, based on the oral and written staff reports, oral and written public comments, and all other project documentation in the record, as follows:

SECTION 1. Recitals.

The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. Certification.

A. The City Council finds the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) was published on November 3, 2023, for a 45-day public comment period that ended on December 18, 2023, the Planning Commission took comments on the DEIR at a regular meeting on December 11, 2023, and the City of Piedmont received 15 comment letters.

B. The City Council finds: that the Final EIR was presented to the City Council; that the Final EIR was prepared, published, circulated, reviewed and completed in full compliance with State law and CEQA Guidelines; that there was adequate public review of the Draft EIR; that it has considered all comments on the Draft EIR and responses to comments; that the Final EIR adequately discusses all significant environmental issues; and that the Final EIR reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the City Council. The City Council further certifies that it has reviewed and considered the information in the Final EIR (FEIR).

C. The City Council finds that the information added in the Final EIR does not constitute significant new information requiring recirculation pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15073(b), but rather that additional information clarifies or amplifies an adequate EIR.

D. The City Council hereby certifies the Final EIR for the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation Project.

SECTION 3. CEQA Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations.

Pursuant to CEQA section 21081.6 and CEQA Guidelines section 15091, and in support of its certification of the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation Project General Plan amendments and Ordinance amending the City Code, the City Council has reviewed and considered the CEQA Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations for the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation project, attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, finds that such Findings of Fact are supported by substantial evidence, and the City Council adopts the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations.

SECTION 4. MMRP

Pursuant to CEQA Section 21081.6 and CEQA Guidelines section 15091, the City Council has reviewed and considered the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) that requires all mitigation measures described in the Final EIR be implemented, as set forth in the MMRP, attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference. The City Council adopts the MMRP.

SECTION 5. Final EIR

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15132, the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), which is incorporated herein by this reference, includes the Draft EIR State Clearinghouse No. 2022020362 dated November 2023 and the Draft EIR appendices, and the Final EIR dated January 2024.

SECTION 6. Record of Proceedings

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15091(e), the documents and other materials that constitute the record of proceedings upon which the City Council has based its decisions are located in and may be obtained from the City Clerk, at Piedmont City Hall, 120 Vista Avenue, Piedmont, CA 94611. The City Clerk is the custodian of records for all matters before the City.

SECTION 7. All portions of this resolution are severable. If an individual component of this Resolution is adjudged by a court to be invalid and unenforceable, then the remaining portions will continue in effect.

**Resolution 08-2024**

RESOLVED, that the City Council Certifies the 2023-2031 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle Housing Element Implementation Project EIR.

Moved by Long, Seconded by McCarthy

Ayes: Andersen, Cavanaugh, Long, McCarthy, Ramsey

Noes: None

Absent: None

(0775)

WHEREAS, State of California housing element law, as set forth in Government Code §§ 65302 and 65580, et seq., requires the City of Piedmont to periodically prepare and update its Housing Element in its General Plan, and to establish goals, policies, and programs to accommodate the maintenance, diversification, and expansion of the City's housing supply to accommodate the City of Piedmont's regional housing needs allocation (RHNA) of 587 housing units, comprised of 238 above moderate income units, 92 moderate income units, 94 low income units, and 163 extremely and very low income units; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 65588 requires local agencies to update their housing element at least every eight years; and

WHEREAS, to comply with State housing element law, the City of Piedmont prepared the 2023-2031 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle Housing Element (the 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle Housing Element); and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 65302(d) requires updating the City's Conservation Element upon revising the Housing Element; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 65302(g) requires updating the City's Safety Element upon revising the Housing Element; and

WHEREAS, Piedmont's 6th Cycle Housing Element was adopted by the City Council on March 20, 2023, and found by the California Department of Housing and Community Development to be in substantial compliance with housing element law on November 9, 2023; and

WHEREAS, housing goals, policies, and programs in the adopted 6th Cycle Housing Element direct the City to amend the General Plan for consistency with the 6th Cycle Housing Element and direct the City to make amendments to zoning regulations applicable to all zoning districts within Piedmont, as well as other future implementation programs; and

WHEREAS, the amendments to the Piedmont General Plan and City Code are in conformance with the City Charter, including sections 9.01 and 9.02 because the amendments are to the City of Piedmont General Plan, no zones have been reduced or enlarged, and no zones have been reclassified, pursuant to City Code division 17.02.C; and

WHEREAS, Piedmont City Code Section 25.3 authorizes the Planning Commission to make recommendations to the City Council on planning and zoning matters; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2024, the Planning Commission reviewed the draft amendments to the General Plan pursuant to: Government Code sections Title 7, Chapter 2.7 Section 65090, Publication of notice of public hearing required by title; Chapter 3, Section 65353, Public hearing by Planning Commission; notice; Chapter 3, Section 65354, Recommendation by the Planning Commission; and Chapter 3, Section 65355, Public hearing by legislative body; notice; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2024, the Planning Commission reviewed the proposed General Plan amendments pursuant to: Piedmont City Code sections 25.3, Powers and Duties of the Planning Commission; Piedmont City Code Division 17.02, Title; Intent; City Charter and section 17.02.010.C, City Charter; Division 17.08, Establishment of Zones; Zoning Map; Interpretation; Division 17.62, Notice Requirements; and Division 17.64, Hearings; Term of Approval; Conditions; and

WHEREAS, an Environmental Impact Report (EIR), as well as CEQA Findings, Statement of Overriding Considerations, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, have been prepared by the City of Piedmont for the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and, on February 20, 2024, the City Council certified the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation Project EIR and adopted CEQA Findings, a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; and

WHEREAS, the draft amendments to the City of Piedmont General Plan were published on December 6, 2023, and consist of amendments to the following General Plan Elements included as Exhibit A to this resolution: Land Use; Transportation; Natural Resources and Sustainability;

Environmental Hazards (Safety and Noise); Parks, Recreation, and Open Space; Design and Preservation; and Community Services and Facilities to implement the 2023-2031 6th Cycle Housing Element; and

WHEREAS, study sessions and briefings of either the Planning Commission or City Council were held on October 9, November 13, November 20, December 11, and December 18, 2023 and January 8, 2024; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2024, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing, took public testimony, and unanimously recommended that the City Council adopt the draft General Plan amendments to implement the 2023-2031 6th Cycle Housing Element, including updates to the following Elements: Land Use; Transportation; Natural Resources and Sustainability; Environmental Hazards (Safety and Noise); Parks, Recreation and Open Space; Design and Preservation; and Community Services and Facilities, and additional amendments recommended by staff to correct existing information in Figure 4.2 (Road Widths), Figure 4.4 (Pedestrian Paths), and Table 4.4 (Piedmont's Pedestrian Paths); and

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2024, the City Council held a duly noticed public hearing to consider amendments to the General Plan, as recommended by the Planning Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Piedmont does hereby resolve, declare, determine, and order, based on substantial evidence in the record, as follows:

SECTION 1. Findings. The City Council hereby finds as follows:

- A. The above recitations are true and correct.
- B. The 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation Project Environmental Impact Report is a program level environmental impact report, as defined by and, pursuant to, CEQA Guidelines Section 15168(a), and on February 20, 2024, the City Council certified the 2023-2031 Housing Element Implementation Project Environmental Impact Report and adopted CEQA Findings, a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Housing Element Implementation and related actions; and
- C. The proposed amendments implement the 2023-2031 6th Cycle Housing Element goals, policies, and programs, are consistent with the 2023-2031 6th Cycle Housing Element, and are consistent with the remainder of the Piedmont General Plan; and
- D. The proposed amendments further public health, safety, and welfare of the community; and
- E. Public participation in the preparation of the amendments to the General Plan has been robust and reached all segments of the Piedmont community.

SECTION 2. The City Council adopts the amendments to the Piedmont General Plan, including amendments to the following General Plan Elements: Land Use; Transportation; Natural Resources and Sustainability; Environmental Hazards (Safety and Noise); Parks, Recreation, and Open Space; Design and Preservation; and Community Services and Facilities, as shown in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated by reference, and authorizes City staff to make final edits and formatting changes to incorporate revisions to the text, tables, maps, and other revisions, including the following edits made February 20, 2024:

1. Page 4-27, Transportation Element, include Spring Trail, in Table 4.4, Piedmont's Pedestrian Paths.
2. Page 6-13, Environmental Hazards Element, remove text that states that Moraga Canyon is a CalFire State Responsibility Area outside of Piedmont Fire Department jurisdiction.
3. Page 9-27, Community Services and Facilities, add text that cities that make up Ava Community Energy include, but are not limited to, Albany, Berkeley, Dublin, Emeryville, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Newark, Oakland, Pleasanton, San Leandro, Tracy, and Union City, as well as unincorporated areas of Alameda County.

SECTION 3. All portions of this resolution are severable. If an individual component of this Resolution is adjudged by a court to be invalid and unenforceable, then the remaining portions will continue in effect.

**Resolution 09-2024**

RESOLVED, that the City Council Approves Adoption of Amendments to the City of Piedmont General Plan in Conformance with the City's 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle Housing Element, including to the following elements: Land Use; Transportation; Natural Resources and Sustainability; Environmental Hazards (Safety and Noise); Parks, Recreation, and Open Space; Design and Preservation; and Community Services and Facilities (as amended).  
Moved by Long, Seconded by Ramsey  
Ayes: Andersen, Cavanaugh, Long, McCarthy, Ramsey  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
(0775)

**Resolution 10-2024**

RESOLVED, that the City Council Approves the Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 772 N.S.  
Moved by Long, Seconded by Ramsey  
Ayes: Andersen, Cavanaugh, Long, McCarthy, Ramsey  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
(0775)

**REGULAR AGENDA**

The Council considered the following items of regular business:

**FY 2023-24 Mid-Year  
General Fund  
Appropriations and  
Fiscal Report**

Consideration of FY 2023-24 Mid-Year General Fund Appropriations and FY 2023-24 Mid-Year Fiscal Report

City Administrator Rosanna Bayon Moore relayed the areas of the update pertaining to overtime for fire personnel and salaries for building inspectors and a second dispatcher.

Finance Director Michael Szczech noted that after reviewing the status of all major revenue streams and expenditure accounts as of December 31, 2023, projected results were prepared for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, as comparable to the approved budget. He relayed the estimates for revenues and expenses and noted a net surplus before capital transfers, capital transfers included in the approved budget, and the General Fund balance. Furthermore, he reviewed revenue, transfer tax, property tax, recreation revenue, interest income, building permits and planning related fee activity, and the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan grant. He listed the primary factors for an expenditure overage related to personnel costs in the Fire, Planning and Building, and Public Works departments, variable recreation expenses due to the higher revenue, and workers compensation claims. He noted the overages offsets and reviewed the American Rescue Act (ARPA) and major capital infrastructure funds. Mr. Szczech stated that the City is on track to meet the annual budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 and outlined the action items.

There was no **Public Comment** received.

The Council provided direction to staff to use Measure F to pay for the first dispatcher and hire a second dispatcher and noted that the Council will review the funding as part of the budget cycle if Measure F does not come through.

#### **Resolution 10-2024**

RESOLVED, that the City Council Approves FY 2023-24 Mid-Year General Fund Appropriations and FY 2023-24 Mid-Year Fiscal and Consider the addition of one Dispatcher to the Police Department.

Moved by Andersen, Seconded by Long

Ayes: Andersen, Cavenaugh, Long, McCarthy, Ramsey

Noes: None

Absent: None

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## **REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilmember Long announced that on March 1 the City Council will have a study session for the Moraga Canyon Specific Plan and the Planning Commission will hold study sessions beginning in March to discuss minor and clean up revisions for the Zoning Ordinance, wireless communication facilities design standards and regulations, and Zoning Ordinance to implement Housing Element programs. Furthermore, she stated that staff is available to help work through scheduling or technical challenges with E-Track It.

Councilmember Ramsey announced that the 2024 summer recreation activity guide is available online and registration begins February 27.

Councilmember McCarthy encouraged the community to visit the City website to view the February 7 meeting update on the urban forest.

Vice Mayor Andersen announced that the City is seeking volunteers for commissions and committees and encouraged folks to participate.

Mayor Cavanaugh announced the launch of East Bay MUD's Community Water Academy and encouraged local businesses or organizations who are looking to make improvements to partner with StopWaste by applying for their grants program.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Mayor Cavanaugh adjourned the meeting at 8:57\_  
p.m.