

**LODI CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CARNEGIE FORUM
305 WEST PINE STREET, LODI
WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2025 - 7:00 PM**

C-1 Call to Order / Roll Call

The City Council Closed Session Meeting of May 7, 2025, was called to order by Mayor Bregman at 6:17 p.m.

Present: Council Member Craig-Hensley, Council Member Hothi, Council Member Nakanishi, Mayor Pro Tempore Yepez and Mayor Bregman

Absent: None

Also Present: Acting City Manager Jaromay, City Attorney Lucchesi, and City Clerk Nashed

C-2 Announcement of Closed Session

City Attorney Lucchesi announced the following Closed Session items:

- a) CONFERENCE ON LABOR NEGOTIATIONS - Regarding International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Lodi City Mid-Management Association, AFSCME General Services and Maintenance & Operators, Police Mid-Managers, Lodi Police Officers Association, Lodi Police Dispatchers Association, Lodi Professional Firefighters, Lodi Fire Mid-Management, Confidential General Services, Confidential Mid-Managers, Executive Managers, and Appointed Employees, Pursuant to Government Code § 54957.6 (HR)
- b) PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT - Title: Acting City Manager, Consideration of Appointee Candidate Pursuant to Government Code § 54957.

C-3 Adjourn to Closed Session

At 6:19 p.m., Mayor Bregman adjourned the meeting to a Closed Session to discuss the above matters. The Closed Session adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

C-4 Return to Open Session / Disclosure of Action

At 6:54 p.m., Mayor Bregman reconvened the City Council meeting, and Mayor Bregman disclosed the following actions.

Item C-2 a) was no reportable action.

Item C-2 b) was no reportable action.

Item C-2 c) was no reportable action.

A. Call to Order / Roll Call

The open session of the Regular City Council Meeting of May 7, 2025, was called to order by Mayor Bregman at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Council Member Craig-Hensley, Council Member Hothi, Council Member Nakanishi, Mayor Pro Tempore Yepez and Mayor Bregman

Absent: None

Also Present: Acting City Manager Jaromay, City Attorney Lucchesi, and City Clerk Nashed

B. Presentations

- B.1 Presentation of Proclamation Commemorating Storm Drain Detectives 25-Year Anniversary (PW)

Mayor Bregman presented Proclamation to Water Shed Program Coordinator Kathy Grant and the Storm Drain Detectives in commemoration of the program's 25-year anniversary.

- B.2 Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming the Week of May 18 - 24, 2025, as "National Public Works Week" in Lodi (PW)

Mayor Bregman presented Proclamation to Associate Civil Engineer Karissa Kiri, proclaiming the week of May 18-24, 2025 as National Public Works Week in Lodi.

- B.3 Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming the Week of May 11-17, 2025, as National Police Week in Lodi (PD)

Mayor Bregman presented Proclamation to Police Chief Ricardo Garcia and Lodi Police Department, proclaiming the week of May 11-17, 2025 as National Police Week in Lodi.

- B.4 Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming the Week of May 4-10, 2025, as "Municipal Clerk's Week" in Lodi (CLK)

Mayor Bregman presented Proclamation to City Clerk Nashed and Deputy City Clerk Maria Ditmore, proclaiming the week of May 4-10, 2025 as Municipal Clerk's Week in Lodi.

- B.5 Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming the Week of May 4-10, 2025, as National Small Business Week in Lodi (ED)

Mayor Bregman presented Proclamation to Cynthia Estrella of Burton's Shoes, proclaiming the week of May 4-10, 2025 as National Small Business Week in Lodi.

- B.6 Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming the Week of May 11-17, 2025, as Hospital Week in Lodi (CLK)

Mayor Bregman presented Proclamation to Brooke McCollough, President of Adventist Health Lodi Memorial, proclaiming the week of May 11-17, 2025 as Hospital Week in Lodi.

C. Consent Calendar (Reading; Comments by the Public; Council Action)

Council Member Hothi made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Yepez, to approve the following items hereinafter set forth, **except those otherwise noted**, in accordance with the report and recommendation of the City Manager.

VOTE:

The above motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Member Craig-Hensley, Council Member Hothi, Council Member Nakanishi, Mayor Pro Tempore Yepez and Mayor Bregman

Noes: None

Absent: None

- C.1 Approve Minutes
a) March 5, 2025 (Regular Meeting)

The Minutes of the March 5, 2025 (Regular Meeting) were approved as written.

- C.2 Adopt a Resolution Approving Amendment No.2 to Professional Services Agreement with Unifirst - First Aid Corporation for Citywide First Aid and Safety Services (\$45,000) (CA)

Adopted **Resolution No. 2025-056** approving amendment no. 2 to Professional Services Agreement with Unifirst - First Aid Corporation for Citywide First Aid and Safety Services (\$45,000).

- C.3 Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Enter into Amendment No. 1 to the Engagement of Legal Services Agreement with Meyers Nave for Legal Services Related to Personnel Investigations (\$210,000) (CA)

Adopted **Resolution No. 2025-57** authorizing the Acting City Manager to enter into Amendment No. 1 to the Engagement of Legal Services Agreement with Meyers Nave for Legal Services related to personnel investigations (\$210,000).

Item C.4 was pulled by staff.

- C.4 Adopt a Resolution Authorizing Energy Efficiency Financing Program Loan to PAQ, INC. and Further Authorizing Loan Payment Check Issuance to True Power Services, Incorporated (\$129,925.36) (EU)

- C.5 Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Amendment No. 1 to Increase the Contract Amount for the Professional Services Agreements with 1) 4 Leaf, Inc., 2) Interwest Consulting Group, Inc., 3) Bureau Veritas North America, Inc., 4) BPR Consulting Group, LLC, and 5) CSG Consultants, Inc. for Building Codes Plans Examining, Building Codes Inspection, Fire Codes Plans Examining, Fire Codes Inspection, and Code Enforcement Services by \$867,000, for a Total Amount Not to Exceed \$2,067,000 and Authorizing the City Manager to Approve Change Orders Related to the Services Provided in an Amount Not to Exceed \$867,000 (CD)

Adopted **Resolution No. 2025-58** authorizing the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 1 to increase the contract amount for the Professional Services Agreements with 1) 4 Leaf, Inc., 2) Interwest Consulting Group, Inc., 3) Bureau Veritas North America, Inc., 4) BPR Consulting Group, LLC, and 5) CSG Consultants, Inc. for building codes plans examining, building codes inspection, fire codes plans examining, fire codes inspection, and code enforcement services by \$867,000, for a total amount not to exceed \$2,067,000 and authorizing the City Manager to approve change orders related to the services provided in an amount not to exceed \$867,000.

- C.6 Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Accept a Donation from the Lodi Police Foundation and F&M Bank for an Electric Bicycle for the Lodi Police Department's Downtown Bicycle Patrol Officer (\$3,655.40) (PD)

Adopted **Resolution No. 2025-059** authorizing the Acting City Manager to accept a donation from the Lodi Police Foundation and F&M Bank for an electric bicycle for the Lodi Police Department's Downtown Bicycle Patrol Officer (\$3,655.40).

Item C.7 was pulled by staff.

- C.7 Adopt a Resolution Authorizing an Increase of City Manager's Change Order Authority by \$400,000 to Execute Contract Amendment No. 3 for 2021-2023 Tree Maintenance Contract with West Coast Arborists, Inc., of Anaheim (PW)
- C.8 Adopt a Resolution Awarding Contract for Hutchins Street Resurfacing Project to Knife River Construction of Stockton (\$1,370,475); Authorize City Manager to Execute Change Orders (\$150,000); and Appropriate Funds (\$1,520,476) (PW)

Adopted **Resolution No. 2025-060** awarding contract for Hutchins Street Resurfacing Project to Knife River Construction of Stockton (\$1,370,475); Authorize City Manager to Execute Change Orders (\$150,000); and Appropriate Funds (\$1,520,476).

- C.9 Adopt a Resolution Awarding Contract for Salas Park Sports Lighting Improvements (Phase 2) to SCC Electric, Inc. of Novato, California (\$297,500) and Authorizing City Manager or Designee to Execute Change Orders (\$132,500); and Appropriate Funds (\$32,420) (PW)

Adopted **Resolution No. 2025-061** awarding contract for Salas Park Sports Lighting Improvements (Phase 2) to SCC Electric, Inc. of Novato, California (\$297,500) and authorized City Manager or Designee to execute Change Orders (\$132,500); and appropriated funds (\$32,420).

- C.10 Adopt a Resolution Awarding Contract for 2025 - 2027 Janitorial Services to Imperial Maintenance Services, Inc., of Stockton (\$679,905.28), and Authorizing City Manager to Execute Change Orders (\$90,000) (PW)

Adopted **Resolution No. 2025-062** awarding contract for 2025 - 2027 Janitorial Services to Imperial Maintenance Services, Inc., of Stockton (\$679,905.28), and authorized City Manager to execute Change Orders (\$90,000).

- C.11 Adopt a Resolution of the Lodi City Council Authorizing City Manager to Execute Certifications and Assurances and Authorized Agent Forms for the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) for the Following Project: Free Student Fares (\$139,157) (PW)

Adopted **Resolution No. 2025-063** of the Lodi City Council authorizing City Manager to execute Certifications and Assurances and Authorized Agent Forms for the Low Carbon

Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) for the following project: Free Student Fares (\$139,157).

- C.12 Adopt a Resolution Ratifying the San Joaquin Council of Governments' Annual Financial Plan for Fiscal Year 2025/26 (PW)

Adopted **Resolution No. 2025-064** ratifying the San Joaquin Council of Governments' Annual Financial Plan for Fiscal Year 2025/26.

Item C.13 was pulled by staff.

- C.13 Direct City Clerk to Update Ordinance No. 1953 for Measure L Citizens' Oversight Committee to Waive Term Limits (CLK)

- C.14 Post for Expiring Terms on the Library Board of Trustees and Lodi Arts Commission (CLK)\

Directed the City Clerk to post for expiring terms on the Library Board of Trustees and Lodi Arts Commission.

D. Comments by the Public on Non-Agenda Items

John Slaughterback provided public comment providing his recommendations regarding the investigation procedures.

E. Comments by the City Council Members on Non-Agenda Items

Council Member Nakanishi addressed Mr. Slaughterback and stating that the City will be conducting a forensic audit.

Council Member Craig-Hensley expressed her appreciation on the presentation of the Short-Range Transit Plan. She stated that she has requested that San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission to provide presentation to Lodi City Council regarding regional transit projects.

Mayor Bregman provided a report on the Small Business Walk event for Small Business Week.

F. Public Hearings

None.

G. Regular Calendar

Due to technical issues, the City Council addressed Agenda Item G.2 prior to the presentation of G.1

- G.2 Adopt a Resolution Appointing James Lindsay, a Retired PERS Annuitant, to Acting City Manager (CA)

Acting City Manager Jaromay provided brief oral report on the item.

James Lindsay provided comments regarding his professional background and experience.

Council Member Hothi made a motion, seconded by Council Member Craig-Hensley, to adopt **Resolution No. 2025-065** appointing James Lindsay, a Retired PERS Annuitant, to Acting City Manager, with an amendment to contract to include a performance evaluation 30 days after Mr. Lindsay's appointment.

VOTE:

The above motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Member Craig-Hensley, Council Member Hothi, Council Member Nakanishi, and Mayor Bregman

Noes: Mayor Pro Tempore Yepez

Absent: None

G.1 Receive and File an Update on the Downtown Specific Plan (CD)

Assistant Director of Community Development/City Planner Cynthia Marsh provided an introduction for the item and introduced RRM Design Group Representatives Jami Williams and Debbie Jewell. Ms. Williams and Ms. Jewell provided PowerPoint presentation on the item.

G.3 Adopt a Resolution Approving Amendment to Employment Agreement for Parks Recreation and Cultural Services Director, Christina Jaromay, for Temporary Appointment to Acting City Manager (HR)

City Attorney Lucchesi provided brief oral report on the item.

Council Member Craig-Hensley made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Yepez, to adopt **Resolution No. 2025-066** approving Amendment to Employment Agreement for Parks Recreation and Cultural Services Director, Christina Jaromay, for Temporary Appointment to Acting City Manager.

VOTE:

The above motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Member Craig-Hensley, Council Member Hothi, Council Member Nakanishi, Mayor Pro Tempore Yepez and Mayor Bregman

Noes: None

Absent: None

H. **Ordinances**

None.

I. **Adjournment:** Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.