

MINUTES  
OXNARD CITY COUNCIL  
FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE  
Regular Meeting  
JULY 13, 2021

A. ROLL CALL, POSTING OF AGENDA, FLAG SALUTE

At 5:02 p.m., Chair John C. Zaragoza called to order the regular meeting of the Oxnard City Council Finance and Governance Committee in the City Hall Council Chambers at 305 W. Third Street, Oxnard, California. The City Clerk called the roll and announced the posting of the agenda. Chair Zaragoza was present in person. Members Gabriela Basua and Gabriel (Gabe) Teran participated via videoconference.

Staff members present in person were Shiri Klima, Deputy City Manager; Stephen M. Fischer, City Attorney; Terrel Harrison, Cultural & Community Services Director; and Rose Chaparro, City Clerk.

Staff members that participated via videoconference were Ashley Golden, Assistant City Manager; Adam Smith, Project Manager; Jason Benites, Police Chief; Alexander Hamilton, Fire Chief; Kevin Riper, Chief Financial Officer; Eden Alomeri, Billing & Licensing Director; Vyto Adomaitis, Community Development Director; Jan Hauser, Wastewater Division Manager; Brian Yanez, Acting Public Works Director; Steve Howlett, Assistant Public Works Director; Tatiana Arnaout, Senior Civil Engineer; Steve Naveau, Human Resources Director; and Raja Bamrungpong, Interim IT Director.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Public comments were received from Douglas Partello.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Clerk Department

SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes

RECOMMENDATION: That the Finance and Governance Committee approve the minutes of the April 13, 2021 regular meetings as presented.

*It was moved by Member Teran, seconded by Member Basua, to approve the Information/Consent item as presented. VOTE: Teran, Basua, and Zaragoza voted in favor; the motion carried 3-0.*

D. REPORTS

1. Billing and Licensing Department

SUBJECT: Discontinuing the Approximately \$500,000 Subsidy for Convenience Fee Costs Associated with Accepting Credit Cards, Debit Cards and Electronic Checks as

Payment Methods for Certain City Services and Fees.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Finance and Governance Committee recommends that the City Council:

1. Conduct a public hearing to consider the establishment of fees to cover the costs of banking convenience fees for the use of credit card, debit card and electronic check transactions for certain City services, and for certain fees, charges or taxes due to the City; and
2. Following the public hearing, adopt a resolution establishing fees to cover the costs of banking convenience fees for the use of credit card, debit card and electronic check transactions for certain City services, and for certain fees, charges or taxes due to the City.

Eden Alomeri, Billing & Licensing Director, answered the Committee's questions. No public comments were received. Discussion ensued among the Committee and staff.

*It was moved by Member Teran, seconded by Member Basua, to approve the recommended action as presented. VOTE: Basua, Zaragoza, and Teran voted in favor; the motion carried 3-0.*

2. City Manager Department

SUBJECT: Preliminary American Rescue Plan Act Investment Ideas.

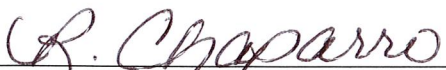
RECOMMENDATION: That the Finance and Governance Committee begins the discussion about American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) preliminary investment ideas and forward discussion outcomes to the City Council for further deliberations.

Shiri Klima, Deputy City Manager, answered the committee's questions. Public comments were received from Ray Blattell, Douglas Partello, Stephanie Hagiwara, and Alicia Percell. Discussion ensued among the Committee and staff. No formal action was taken.

E. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS (No requests were made.)

F. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business on the agenda, and without objection, Chair Zaragoza adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.



ROSE CHAPARRO  
City Clerk



JOHN C. ZARAGOZA  
Chair