

**LODI CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2021**

C-1 Call to Order / Roll Call

The City Council Closed Session meeting of April 21, 2021, was called to order by Mayor Nakanishi at 6:00 p.m.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20, all Council Members participated in the meeting via teleconference and the public portion of the meeting was available for viewing by the public via livestream at <https://www.facebook.com/CityofLodi/> and <https://zoom.us/s/98343457003?pwd=Vm14anRKUm9PWURFb0JnbThSWDFOdz09>; the opportunity for public comment was available through [councilcomments@lodi.gov](mailto:councilcomments@lodi.gov) and <https://zoom.us/s/98343457003?pwd=Vm14anRKUm9PWURFb0JnbThSWDFOdz09>.

Present: Council Member Hothi, Council Member Khan, Council Member Kuehne, Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler, and Mayor Nakanishi

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Schwabauer, City Attorney Magdich, and City Clerk Cusmir

C-2 Announcement of Closed Session

- a) Actual Litigation: Government Code Section 54956.9; Two Applications; Nicholas Kilday v. City of Lodi, Workers' Compensation, WCAB Case # ADJ11931047 (DOI: 08/14/2018), WCAB Case # ADJ11931046 (DOI: 08/14/2018 CT) (CA)
- b) Exposure to Litigation: Government Code §54956.9(e)(2); One Case; Woodbridge Irrigation District against City of Lodi Arising out of Agreement for Purchase of Water from Woodbridge Irrigation District by City of Lodi, Dated May 13, 2003, and Amendments thereto Dated January 17, 2008, April 9, 2009, and December 13, 2012 (CA)
- c) Conference with Legal Counsel – Potential Litigation – Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code §§54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(e)(1), Shall Not be Disclosed, Due to Facts and Circumstances Not Yet Known to Potential Plaintiffs (CA)

C-3 Adjourn to Closed Session

At 6:00 p.m., Mayor Nakanishi adjourned the meeting to a Closed Session to order to discuss the above matters. The Closed Session adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

C-4 Return to Open Session / Disclosure of Action

At 7:06 p.m., Mayor Nakanishi reconvened the City Council meeting and City Attorney Magdich disclosed the following actions.

In regard to Item C-2a), Actual Litigation: Government Code Section 54956.9; Two Applications; Nicholas Kilday v. City of Lodi, Workers' Compensation, WCAB Case # ADJ11931047 (DOI: 08/14/2018), WCAB Case # ADJ11931046 (DOI: 08/14/2018 CT), direction was given by Council and no further action was taken.

In regard to Item C-2b), Exposure to Litigation: Government Code §54956.9(e)(2); One Case;

Woodbridge Irrigation District against City of Lodi Arising out of Agreement for Purchase of Water from Woodbridge Irrigation District by City of Lodi, Dated May 13, 2003, and Amendments thereto Dated January 17, 2008, April 9, 2009, and December 13, 2012, direction was given by Council and no further action was taken.

In regard to Item C-2c), Conference with Legal Counsel – Potential Litigation – Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code §§54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(e)(1), Shall Not be Disclosed, Due to Facts and Circumstances Not Yet Known to Potential Plaintiffs, this item was pulled from the agenda.

A. Call to Order / Roll Call

The Regular City Council meeting of April 21, 2021, was called to order by Mayor Nakanishi at 7:06 p.m.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20, all Council Members participated in the meeting via teleconference and the meeting was available for viewing by the public via livestream at <https://www.facebook.com/CityofLodi/> and <https://zoom.us/j/98343457003?pwd=Vm14anRKUm9PWURFb0JnbThSWDFOdz09>; the opportunity for public comment was available through [councilcomments@lodi.gov](mailto:councilcomments@lodi.gov) and <https://zoom.us/j/98343457003?pwd=Vm14anRKUm9PWURFb0JnbThSWDFOdz09>.

Present: Council Member Hothi, Council Member Khan, Council Member Kuehne, Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler, and Mayor Nakanishi

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Schwabauer, City Attorney Magdich, and City Clerk Cusmir

B. Presentations

B-1 Arbor Day Proclamation (CLK)

Mayor Nakanishi presented a proclamation in honor of Arbor Day.

B-2 Celebration of Vaisakhi Proclamation (CLK)

Mayor Nakanishi presented a proclamation in honor of the celebration of Vaisakhi. Manijit Singh accepted the proclamation.

B-3 Celebration of Ramadan Proclamation (CLK)

Mayor Nakanishi presented a proclamation in honor of the celebration of Ramadan. Imam Hamad Rashid accepted the proclamation.

C. Consent Calendar (Reading; Comments by the Public; Council Action) All matters listed on the consent calendar are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If a member of the public would like a consent calendar item pulled and discussed separately, refer to the Special Teleconference Notice at the beginning of this agenda.

Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler made a motion, second by Council Member Hothi, 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 Hothi, Council Member Khan, Council Member Kuehne, Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler, and Mayor Nakanishi

Noes: None

Absent: None

ROLL CALL VOTE

The City Council held a ROLL CALL vote (all voiced their votes).

C-1 Receive Register of Claims for March 19, 2021 through April 1, 2021 in the Amount of \$7,828,410.21 (FIN)

Claims were approved in the amount of \$7,828,410.21.

C-2 Approve Minutes (CLK)

The minutes of March 23, 2021 (Shirtsleeve Session), March 23, 2021 (Special Meeting), March 30, 2021 (Shirtsleeve Session), April 6, 2021 (Shirtsleeve Session), and April 7, 2021 (Regular Meeting) were approved as written.

C-3 Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Waive Bid Process and Purchase Three Dump Trucks from Downtown Ford, of Sacramento, Utilizing Competitively-Bid State Contract 1-18-23-20A CLIN 34 (\$244,335) and Appropriating Funds (\$14,335) (PW)

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-94 authorizing the City Manager to waive the bid process and purchase three dump trucks from Downtown Ford, of Sacramento, utilizing the competitively-bid State Contract 1-18-23-20A CLIN 34, in the amount of \$244,335, and appropriating funds in the amount of \$14,335.

C-4 Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Waive Bid Process and Purchase Submersible Pump Assembly from Shape, Inc., of Pleasanton, for Sacramento Industrial Sewer Lift Station (\$25,234) and Appropriating Funds (\$25,234) (PW)

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-95 authorizing the City Manager to waive the bid process and purchase a submersible pump assembly from Shape, Inc., of Pleasanton, for Sacramento Industrial Sewer Lift Station, in the amount of \$25,234 and appropriating funds in the amount of \$25,234.

C-5 Approve Specifications and Authorize Advertisement for Bids for 2021-2023 Landscape Maintenance of Miscellaneous Areas and Lodi Consolidated Landscape District No. 2003-1; Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Award Contract to Lowest Responsive Bidder (\$850,000); and Execute Change Orders (\$80,000) (PW)

Approved specifications and authorized advertisement for bids for 2021-2023 Landscape Maintenance of Miscellaneous Areas and Lodi Consolidated Landscape District No. 2003-1; and adopted Resolution No. 2021-96 authorizing the City Manager to award the contract to the lowest responsive bidder in an amount not to exceed \$850,000 and to execute change orders in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.

C-6 Approve Specifications and Authorize Advertisement for Bids for 2021-2023 Tree Maintenance Project; Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Award Contract to Lowest Responsive Bidder (\$900,000); and Execute Change Orders (\$80,000) (PW)

Approved specifications and authorized advertisement for bids for the 2021-2023 Tree Maintenance Project; and adopted Resolution No. 2021-97 authorizing the City Manager to award the contract to the lowest responsive bidder in an amount not to exceed \$900,000 and execute change orders in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.

C-7 Approve Specifications and Authorize Advertisement for Bids for 2021-2023 Sidewalk and Miscellaneous Concrete Repair Program; Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Award Contract to Lowest Responsive Bidder (\$250,000); and Execute Change Orders (\$50,000) (PW)

This item was pulled from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

Council Member Khan asked if the project would address installing new sidewalks in specific neighborhoods. City Manager Steve Schwabauer explained that the program repairs existing sidewalks and curbs throughout the City as needed.

Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler made a motion, second by Mayor Nakanishi, to approve specifications and authorize advertisement for bids for 2021-2023 Sidewalk and Miscellaneous Concrete Repair Program; adopt Resolution No. 2021-98 authorizing the City Manager to award the contract to the lowest responsive bidder in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 and execute change orders in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

VOTE:

The above motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Member Hothi, Council Member Khan, Council Member Kuehne, Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler, and Mayor Nakanishi

Noes: None

Absent: None

ROLL CALL VOTE

The City Council held a ROLL CALL vote (all voiced their votes).

C-8 Approve Specifications and Authorize Advertisement for Bids for 2021-2022 Asphalt Materials; Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Award Contract to Lowest Responsive Bidder (\$125,000); and Execute Change Orders (\$20,000) (PW)

Approved specifications and authorized advertisement for bids for 2021-2022 asphalt materials; and adopted Resolution No. 2021-99 authorizing the City Manager to award the contract to the lowest responsive bidder in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 and execute change orders in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

C-9 Approve Specifications and Authorize Advertisement for Bids for 2021-2023 Block Wall Repair Program; Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Award Contract to Lowest Responsive Bidder (\$75,000); and Execute Change Orders (\$10,000) (PW)

Approved specifications and authorized advertisement for bids for the 2021-2023 Block Wall Repair Program and adopted Resolution No. 2021-100 authorizing the City Manager to award the contract to the lowest responsive bidder in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 and execute change orders in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

C-10 Adopt Resolution Awarding Contract to Cintas Corporation No. 3, of Stockton, for Rental and Cleaning of Uniforms for Certain Field and Warehouse Employees (\$113,401) and

Authorize Change Orders (\$25,000) (PW)

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-101 awarding the contract to Cintas Corporation No. 3, of Stockton, for rental and cleaning of uniforms for certain field and warehouse employees, in the amount of \$113,401, and authorized change orders in an amount not the exceed \$25,000.

C-11 Accept Improvements Under Contract for Wastewater Main Rehabilitation Program, Project No. 8 (PW)

Accepted the improvements under the contract for the Wastewater Main Rehabilitation Program, Project No. 8.

C-12 Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Execute Professional Services Agreement with Diede Construction, Inc., of Woodbridge, for Operations and Maintenance Services of Central Plume PCE/TCE Remedial Sites (\$174,000) and Appropriating Funds (\$174,000) (PW)

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-102 authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Diede Construction, Inc., of Woodbridge, for operations and maintenance services of the Central Plume PCE/TCE remedial sites, in the amount of \$174,000, and appropriating funds in the amount of \$174,000.

C-13 Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Execute Professional Services Agreement with PlaceWorks, a California Consulting Firm, to Prepare Environmental Impact Report and Provide Technical Services for a Sphere of Influence and Municipal Services Review Update (Not to Exceed \$182,000) (CD)

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-103 authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with PlaceWorks, a California Consulting Firm, to prepare an Environmental Impact Report and provide technical services for a Sphere of Influence and Municipal Services Review Update, in an amount not to exceed \$182,000.

C-14 Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Execute Amendment No. 1 to Professional Services Agreement with Solenis, LLC, of Wilmington, Delaware, for Purchase of Biosolids Dewatering Polymer at White Slough Water Pollution Control Facility (\$168,000) (PW)

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-104 authorizing the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Solenis, LLC, of Wilmington, Delaware, for the purchase of biosolids dewatering polymer at White Slough Water Pollution Control Facility, in the amount of \$168,000.

C-15 Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Execute Amendment No. 3 to Professional Services Agreement with William F. Bambas, MAI, of Stockton, Doing Business as W.F. Bambas Appraisal Company (\$6,800) (CM)

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-105 authorizing the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 3 to the Professional Services Agreement with William F. Bambas, MAI, of Stockton, doing business as W.F. Bambas Appraisal Company, in the amount of \$6,800.

C-16 Adopt Resolution Authorizing Chief of Police to Execute User License Agreement for Online Weapons Permit Applications with Permittium, LLC, of Pineville, North Carolina (PD)

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-106 authorizing the Chief of Police to execute user license

agreement for online weapons permit applications with Permitium, LLC, of Pineville, North Carolina.

C-17 Adopt Resolution Authorizing Chief of Police to Execute Inmate Communications Agreement with Network Communications International Corporation, of Longview, Texas (PD)

This item was pulled from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

Resident, Vanessa Madrigal-Lauchland, asked if the City had considered a method of communication that would be more equitable for low-income inmates.

Council Member Kuehne stated that he believes the communication network currently in place is cost-prohibitive. Mayor Nakanishi asked about the current communication system.

City Manager Schwabauer said that the current mechanism is through a pay phone system while inmates are in the Lodi jail. The Council requested additional information and cost estimates regarding the current system and potential alternatives.

Council Member Kuehne made a motion, second by Council Member Hothi, to table resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to execute inmate communications agreement with Network Communications International Corporation, of Longview, Texas.

VOTE:

The above motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Member Hothi, Council Member Khan, Council Member Kuehne, Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler, and Mayor Nakanishi

Noes: None

Absent: None

ROLL CALL VOTE

The City Council held a ROLL CALL vote (all voiced their votes).

C-18 Adopt Resolution Approving Final Map and Authorizing City Manager to Execute Improvement Agreement for Tienda Square Subdivision, Tract No. 4003 (PW)

This item was pulled at the request of staff.

C-19 Adopt Resolution Supporting California Department of Motor Vehicles Providing Printed and Test Materials in Urdu Language (CM)

This item was pulled from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler stated that the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is not under the City's jurisdiction and does not believe the City should take a position on the materials offered to DVM patrons as it is not something the Council can affect.

Council Member Khan responded that he understands the City does not have jurisdiction, but the DVM offers materials in 31 different languages and on behalf of the Urdu-speaking community in Lodi, he is asking the Council to support the request. Mr. Khan said he believes he will be more successful at the State level if he has Council support.

Council Member Hothi stated that it would be impactful at the State level to have City support, in

response to a question asked by Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler.

Council Member Kuehne suggested tabling the item in order to get further information.

Mayor Nakanishi questioned the appropriateness of the resolution, stating the City should allow the matter to be addressed at the State level as there are costs associated with the measure and creating a platform for State issues could be counterproductive

(Public Comment was received following the motion to table Item C-19 and before the vote on the motion.)

David Diskin, a resident, provided public comment in support of the resolution, noting that there are probably other State issues for which the Council has voiced support.

Laurie Lanning, a resident, provided public comment in support of the resolution, stating DVM customers should be provided materials in their native language.

Council Member Khan stated that he was elected to be the voice of the citizens to make sure their voice is heard and to advocate for the issues the public feels are important.

Council Member Kuehne said that this would be an opportunity to be more inclusive and stated that he supports Council Member Khan's efforts.

Mayor Nakanishi made a motion, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler, to table resolution supporting California Department of Motor Vehicles providing printed and test materials in the Urdu language.

VOTE:

The above motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler, and Mayor Nakanishi

Noes: Council Member Hothi, Council Member Khan, and Council Member Kuehne

Absent: None

ROLL CALL VOTE

The City Council held a ROLL CALL vote (all voiced their votes).

Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler and Mayor Nakanishi reiterated their previous comments.

Council Member Kuehne stated that he agrees with Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler, but reiterated his comments regarding the opportunity for inclusivity.

Council Member Hothi made a motion, second by Council Member Khan, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-107 supporting California Department of Motor Vehicles providing printed and test materials in the Urdu language.

VOTE:

The above motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Member Hothi, Council Member Khan, Council Member Kuehne, Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler, and Mayor Nakanishi

Noes: None

Absent: None

ROLL CALL VOTE

The City Council held a ROLL CALL vote (all voiced their votes).

C-20 Adopt Resolution Selecting State Route 99/Harney Lane Interchange Reconstruction Project as Project Nomination for San Joaquin Council of Governments' One Voice Trip (PW)

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-108 selecting the State Route 99/Harney Lane Interchange Reconstruction Project as the project nomination for the San Joaquin Council of Governments' One Voice Trip.

C-21 Set Public Hearing for May 5, 2021 to Consider Introducing an Ordinance Amending Lodi Municipal Code Chapter 5.32 – Massage Establishments – by Repealing and Re-Enacting Chapter 5.32 in Its Entirety to Bring it into Conformance with State Law (CA)

Set a public hearing for May 5, 2021 to consider introducing an ordinance amending Lodi Municipal Code Chapter 5.32 - Massage Establishments - by repealing and re-enacting Chapter 5.32 in its entirety to bring it into conformance with State law.

C-22 Adopt Resolution of Intention to Abandon Two 10-Foot Public Utility Easements at 121 North Guild Avenue and Set Public Hearing for June 2, 2021 (PW)

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-109 of intention to abandon two 10-foot Public Utility Easements at 121 North Guild Avenue and set a public hearing for June 2, 2021.

C-23 Adopt Resolution of Intention to Vacate Existing 16.5-Foot Public Utility Easement Located at 2500, 2505, and 2506 Mayfair Court and Lot A, Gateway North Unit 1, Tract 3940; and Set Public Hearing for June 2, 2021 (PW)

Adopted Resolution No. 2021-110 of intention to vacate an existing 16.5-foot Public Utility Easement located at 2500, 2505, and 2506 Mayfair Court and Lot A, Gateway North Unit 1, Tract 3940; and set a public hearing for June 2, 2021.

C-24 Set Public Hearing for July 7, 2021 to Consider Adopting Resoluton Adopting 2020 Urban Water Management Plan Update (PW)

Set a public hearing for July 7, 2021 to consider adopting a resolution adopting the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan Update.

D. Comments by the Public on Non-Agenda Items THE TIME ALLOWED PER NON-AGENDA ITEM FOR COMMENTS MADE BY THE PUBLIC IS LIMITED TO FIVE MINUTES.

David Diskin, a resident, provided public comment regarding the bars that were installed on some of the benches in Downtown Lodi without City approval. Mr. Diskin stated that the bars had not yet been removed and questioned the City's response to "clean vandalism." Mr. Diskin requested that the benches be restored.

Donald Pearce, a resident, provided public comment regarding a permitting issue that was impacting his family's ability to move into their new home.

Laurie Lanning, a resident, provided public comment regarding the bars that were installed on some of the benches in Downtown Lodi without City approval. Ms. Lanning stated she was advised not to remove the bars herself, but questioned the City's response to "clean vandalism."



Ms. Lanning demanded the City remove the bars and restore the benches. Ms. Lanning spoke about the need to address the homelessness issue.

Tom Hampson, Deacon, Episcopal Church of Saint John the Baptist, provided public comment via email regarding the bars that were installed on some of the benches in Downtown Lodi and requested they be removed. City Clerk Cusmir read the email into the record.

Sara Tygert, a resident, provided public comment via email regarding the bars that were installed on some of the benches in Downtown Lodi and requested they be removed. City Clerk Cusmir read the email into the record.

Brandon Haas, a resident, provided public comment via email regarding the bars that were installed on some of the benches in Downtown Lodi and requested they be removed. City Clerk Cusmir read the email into the record.

Margaret Bulkin, a resident, provided public comment via email regarding the bars that were installed on some of the benches in Downtown Lodi and requested they remain in place. City Clerk Cusmir read the email into the record.

Christie M. Torres, a resident, provided public comment via email regarding the bars that were installed on some of the benches in Downtown Lodi and requested they be removed. City Clerk Cusmir read the email into the record.

Julie Pichardo, a resident, provided public comment via email regarding the bars that were installed on some of the benches in Downtown Lodi and requested they be removed. City Clerk Cusmir read the email into the record.

Andrea Songey-Neff, a resident, provided public comment via email regarding the bars that were installed on some of the benches in Downtown Lodi and requested they be removed. City Clerk Cusmir read the email into the record.

Alex Aliferis, a resident, provided public comment via email requesting that the City open and hold meetings in the Council Chambers. City Clerk Cusmir read the email into the record.

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

Council Member Khan assured the citizens, including the homeless, that the City is working to address the homeless issue and provide assistance. Mr. Khan stated that he believes the City should develop a plan to reopen Council Chambers and City Hall.

Council Member Hothi stated that the issue of homelessness is a top Council priority and that is why funding is being allocated to fund a Navigation Center. Mr. Hothi stated that he was surprised that the bars on the Downtown benches have not been removed and that if the City wanted to consider the installation of such features, it should be planned and approved through the proper City channels.

Mayor Nakanishi stated that homelessness and COVID-19 are both issues the City and Lodi residents have been dealing with and that hopefully at the next meeting the Council will move toward addressing both.

Mayor Nakanishi asked about Mr. Pearce's permitting issue. City Manager Schwabauer responded, explaining that the developer has yet to complete the required public improvements.

Council Member Kuehne stated he and his wife have been working with the Lodi Unified School District and the County on a way for the school district to help those who are experiencing mental health issues and in the public school system get diagnosed and treatment, but there was a funding issue. Mr. Kuehne reported that currently every student identification card has printed on it the Suicide Prevention Hotline. Mr. Kuehne said that he had been informed that the Lodi Unified School District has now purchased software to assist in addressing mental health issues in students and the software, which also includes resources, will be implemented in May. Mr. Kuehne applauded the school district for taking the issue seriously.

F. Comments by the City Manager on Non-Agenda Items

City Manager Schwabauer explained the City Council has worked to address the homeless issue including allocating \$6M and authorizing acceptance of a \$2.1M grant to put toward the Navigation Center project for a total of \$8M in funding, a \$1.5M Tiny Home project that is moving forward, and the funding for the Salvation Army and Lodi House. Mr. Schwabauer stated the Council has invested approximately \$15M to \$20M to fund projects for compassionate housing for the homeless. Mr. Schwabauer said he would hope the public would focus on what is being done by the Council.

G. Public Hearings

G-1 Public Hearing to Consider Adopting Resolution Approving Draft 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program (CD)

Notice thereof having been published according to law, an affidavit of which publication is on file in the office of the City Clerk, Mayor Nakanishi called for the public hearing to consider adopting a resolution approving the Draft 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

CDBG Program Specialist Patrice Clemons provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) draft Annual Action Plan (AAP). Specific topics of discussion included CDBG purpose, 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan's five-year goals and progress towards meeting the goals, draft 2021-2022 AAP, AAP process, CDBG budget, requests for funding, funding recommendations, and recommended action.

City Manager Schwabauer said that there is a request from Public Works for funding sidewalk improvement and repair projects on the Eastside, in response to a question asked by Council Member Khan.

Neighborhood Services Manager Jennifer Rhyne responded to questions asked by Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler regarding the funding for the graffiti abatement program. Staff is recommending \$30,000 in grant funds be allocated for the graffiti abatement program and if the City Council decides to approve the Lodi Improvement Committee's alternative recommendation the \$30,000 would be allocated to community service programs.

Mayor Nakanishi asked for more information regarding graffiti abatement as a crime deterrent.

Mayor Nakanishi opened the public hearing for public comment.

David Diskin, a resident and Chair of the Lodi Improvement Committee (LIC), provided public comment regarding the differences between the staff recommendation and that of the Lodi Improvement Committee. Mr. Diskin noted that the LIC is not recommending to end the graffiti abatement program, but is recommending the funding come from a different source.

Laurie Lanning, a resident, stated that she would like to see the federal grant funding at work and see more details regarding how the money is spent for community service programs.

JoAnne Mounce, a resident, provided public comment stating that the City gets the most benefit by funding the spay and neuter program and the graffiti abatement program. Ms. Mounce said she supports funding the graffiti abatement program.

There being no further public comments, Mayor Nakanishi closed the public hearing.

Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler voiced his support for funding the graffiti abatement program, noting the community service organizations are not being offered less funding, they would not be receiving an increase.

Council Member Khan said that he wanted to make sure funds are used wisely and supports the graffiti abatement program.

Neighborhood Services Manager Rhyne and City Manager Schwabauer provided background information regarding the funding for the graffiti abatement program over the years, in response to a question asked by Council Member Hothi.

Mayor Nakanishi stated his fiduciary responsibility is to the City and funding City programs.

Council Member Kuehne noted there was no funding included for Ready to Work and spoke about the benefits of the programs offered by Ready to Work. Mr. Kuehne stated that he feels the recommendations are not balanced and would like to see Ready to Work funded. Mr. Kuehne said he does not support either recommendation at this time.

Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler made a motion, second by Mayor Nakanishi, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-111 approving the Draft 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

VOTE:

The above motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Member Hothi, Council Member Khan, Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler, and Mayor Nakanishi

Noes: Council Member Kuehne

Absent: None

ROLL CALL VOTE

The City Council held a ROLL CALL vote (all voiced their votes).

H. Regular Calendar – None

I. Ordinances

I-1 Adopt Ordinance No. 1981 Entitled, "An Uncodified Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Lodi Levying and Apportioning the Special Tax in Territory Annexed to Community Facilities District No. 2007-1 (Public Services) (Annexation No. 12) (CLK)

Council Member Kuehne made a motion, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler, (following reading of the title) to waive reading of the ordinance in full and adopt and order to print Ordinance No. 1981 entitled, "An Uncodified Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Lodi

Levying and Apportioning the Special Tax in Territory Annexed to Community Facilities District No. 2007-1 (Public Services) (Annexation No. 12)," which was introduced at a regular meeting of the Lodi City Council held April 7, 2021.

VOTE:

The above motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Member Hothi, Council Member Khan, Council Member Kuehne, Mayor Pro Tempore Chandler, and Mayor Nakanishi

Noes: None

Absent: None

ROLL CALL VOTE

The City Council held a ROLL CALL vote (all voiced their votes).

J. Adjournment

Council Member Kuehne adjourned the meeting in remembrance of George Floyd.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Cusmir  
City Clerk