



BRISBANE CITY COUNCIL

ACTION MINUTES

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BRISBANE CITY HALL, 50 PARK PLACE, BRISBANE

7:00 P.M. STUDY SESSION (in Large Conference Room)

Mayor Lentz called the meeting to order at 7:18 P.M. City Clerk Spediacci acknowledged that all Councilmembers were present.

A. Discuss Councilmember Rotation Policy

Councilmembers discussed their individual views of setting a rotation policy and the policy language in place in other cities. After some discussion, they directed staff to bring back a resolution setting guidelines for the rotation of Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem, which would include language that whenever possible, each member of the City Council shall have the opportunity to serve as Mayor during their first term of office, and that whenever possible, the Mayor Pro Tem would serve as the next Mayor. They also asked that language be included that a meeting would be held prior to the reorganization meeting to discuss the selection of the next Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem as well as language stating that serving as Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem is a privilege and not a right.

Michele Salmon expressed her opinion that setting written guidelines sets up a scenario for unfulfilled expectations. She advocated for leaving the issue as it was currently written.

8:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER – FLAG SALUTE (in Community Meeting Room)

Mayor Lentz called the meeting to order at 8:01 p.m. and led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present:	Conway, Davis, Liu, O'Connell, and Mayor Lentz
Councilmembers absent:	None
Staff present:	City Manager Holstine, City Clerk Spediacci, City Attorney Roush, Administrative Services Director Schillinger, Deputy Public Works Director Kinser, Management Analyst Escoffier

ADOPTION OF AGENDA (Deletions, Additions, Changes and Adoption)

CM O'Connell made a motion, seconded by CM Conway, to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously by all present.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS NO. 1

Michele Salmon said that the television quality of the Parkside Plan Meeting was of poor quality. She also stressed the importance of educating the public about the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) numbers in the context of the Parkside Planning Process.

Carolyn Parker expressed her concerns about the safety problem at the hairpin turn at Humboldt Road and about the fire gate at the end of the Landmark neighborhood. She asked that Council consider putting something in its place that looks less vulnerable.

City Manager Holstine said he would have staff look into both matters.

CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Adopt City Council Minutes of December 8, 2015

B. Adopt City Council Minutes of December 17, 2015

CM Liu pointed out a typographical error on the December 17th minutes. With that change, CM O'Connell made a motion, seconded by CM Conway, to approve Consent Calendar Items A & B as amended. The motion carried unanimously by all present.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider adoption of Resolution No. 2016-03 joining in the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement to establish the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority in San Mateo County; Appoint a Director and an Alternate Director to the Board of Directors of the Joint Powers Agency; and Introduce Ordinance No. 605, authorizing implementation of a Community Choice Aggregation Program in the City of Brisbane

City Attorney Roush said that a week ago the Council held a Workshop where they received an extensive presentation about the establishment of the Peninsula Clean Energy (PCE) Authority in San Mateo County. He then reviewed the documents before the Council for consideration to elect to be a part of the program and authorizing implementation of a Community Choice Aggregation Program in the City of Brisbane. Mr. Roush also indicated that the Resolution joining the PCE Authority requires that the Council select a Representative and Alternate to serve on the Board.

After some discussion, CM Liu offered to serve as the representative and CM O'Connell offered to serve as the alternate. Other Councilmembers concurred.

CM Conway made a motion, seconded by CM Liu, to adopt Resolution No. 2016-03 with the representative and alternate included as discussed. The motion carried unanimously by all present.

CM O'Connell made a motion, seconded by CM Conway, to introduce Ordinance No. 605 as presented. The motion carried unanimously by all present.

B. Consider adoption of Resolution No. 2016-04 supporting the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Initiative to address aircraft noise concerns in San Mateo County

Mayor Lentz noted that the Airport Community Roundtable recently reviewed the proposed resolution and decided it needed additional language to make it more effective. He recommended waiting to consider this item until that language was developed.

C. Consider adoption of Resolution No. 2016-05 to symbolically ban hydraulic fracturing, and sign on to statewide coalition Californians Against Fracking's letter to Governor Brown to encourage the State to ban fracking in California

Deputy Director of Public Works Kinser said that the Open Space and Ecology Committee (OSEC) is recommending that the Council adopt Resolution No. 2016-05 to ban hydraulic fracturing, and sign on to the statewide coalition Californians Against Fracking's letter to Governor Brown to encourage the State to ban fracking in California. She said that OSEC understands that a ban of fracking would be symbolic in nature, as Brisbane is an unlikely candidate for fracking due to its size and lack of desired natural resources.

Management Analyst Escoffier went over a few pointers on the issues of fracking. She said that fracking is a technique used to extract oil and natural gas from shale. She said the process has been known to cause significant environmental impacts such as releasing dangerous levels of toxic air pollution which creates smog, methane leaks during the extraction process, and health impacts on local communities, including incidences of increased cancer and birth defects, waste of millions of gallons of water and contamination of local water supplies.

After Councilmember questions and comments, they asked that the letter to the Governor be signed by all of the Councilmembers.

CM Conway made a motion, seconded by CM O'Connell, to adopt Resolution No. 2016-05 as presented and to sign on to the statewide coalition. The motion carried unanimously by all present.

STAFF REPORTS

A. City Manager's Report on upcoming activities

City Manager reminded the Council about the upcoming Coyote/Wildlife Informational Workshops on February 23rd and March 5th.

MAYOR/COUNCIL MATTERS

A. Countywide Assignments/Subcommittee Reports

Councilmembers gave updates on the C/CAG Technical Group on water issues, the Airport Land Use Meeting, the Housing Endowment and Regional Trust (HEART) Board Meeting, and the Airport Roundtable Meeting.

B. Written Communications

Mayor Lentz noted the letter of request from the SMC Mosquito Abatement District for the City to oppose AB 1362 which would decrease the size of the board. City Manager Holstine also advised the Council of the survey being conducted by Supervisor Gordon on the same subject.

Councilmembers discussed supporting the letter of opposition and having staff respond to the online survey.

Mayor Lentz also noted the memo received from City/County Association of Governments regarding Committee vacancies on the Congestion Management and Environmental Quality Committee (CMEQ) and the Legislative Committee.

C. Discuss sending letter to FAA regarding noise issues

After input from Councilmembers regarding Peter Grace's proposed letter, Mayor Lentz said he would work to redraft it for the Council's signature. It was the consensus to keep the letter concise and support the letter that was sent by the Concerned Citizens of Brisbane.

Peter Grace reported on the letter sent by the Concerned Citizens of Brisbane and the many legislators who were sending letters of support on their behalf.

D. Consider setting Saturday, February 20th for next Council Workshop on Priority Based Budgeting

After some discussion, the Council chose Tuesday, March 8th at 7 P.M. for their next workshop on Priority Based Budgeting. City Manager Holstine indicated that the next step would be to develop performance measures.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS 2

Barbara Ebel referred to the letter that she sent to the City Council on January 29th regarding Airport Noise. Councilmembers acknowledged that they received it.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 P.M.



Sheri Marie Spediacci, City Clerk