CITY COUNCIL MEETING RE-CAP – AUGUST 22, 2023

Below is a brief recap of the August 22, 2023, City Council Meeting. To read the full agenda and/or watch the video recording of the meeting: http://www.stocktongov.com/government/oMeetings/councilMeetings.html

RECOGNITIONS AND PROCLAMATION:

- **10.1:** City Council proclaimed August 2023 as National Breastfeeding Month.

- **10.3:** City Council provided certificates of recognition to the Ladies Auxiliary Karl Ross Unti 16 – Girls State Delegation.

CONSENT ITEMS: City Council approved 28 Consent Agenda Items, including:

- **12.4:** Council authorized continuing the Ad-Hoc Homelessness Committee for another year. Mayor Lincoln established the Ad-Hoc Homelessness Committee in November 2021 to address homelessness in Stockton. Since the establishment of the Committee, there have been several successes including:
  
  1. Establishing a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Stockton and the California State Lands Commission related to encampment clean-up activities on State Lands Commission property in Stockton.

  2. Engagement with the Governor’s Office who provided an overview of Care Courts legislation to the Ad Hoc Committee.
3. **Ongoing informative presentations from numerous community-based organizations serving homelessness and housing in Stockton.** These presentations and discussions have provided valuable insight to the committee when making recommendations to Council on homelessness programming and project funding in Stockton.

- **12.6:** City Council approved a contract with Jacob Green and Associates to develop and implement a leadership development program. Through this program, the City seeks to build and maintain a Premier Leadership Development Academy to retain and prepare current staff for future leadership roles to better serve our community.

- **12.9:** Council approved a resolution supporting the Visionary Homebuilders of California, Inc. (VHB) application for the Local Government Matching Grants Program (LGMG). VHB has been awarded $3.1 million in funding from the LGMG Program for the La Passeggiata housing project. Which is designed to provide 94 energy-efficient housing units comprised of one-, two-, and three-bedroom units. The project will be marketed to families and individuals within 30%-50% of the area’s median income. Resident services, including an onsite daycare, will be available to residents and the public who meet eligibility requirements. The building will also contain solar panels and other energy-efficient designs.

  For the state grant to move forward, a resolution from the City Council was needed to reinforce the City’s earlier commitment of $600,000 and a Local Development Impact Fee Waiver for the project.

- **12.20:** Council advanced the Local Street Resurfacing Program FY 2022-23 SB1 Micro-surfacing Project. The project will resurface approximately 15 centerline miles of various residential roadways citywide (Attachment A - Vicinity Map). Further, the project includes removing and replacing pavement striping and legends, removing and replacing failed pavement areas, and applying micro-surfacing. The micro-surfacing treatment seals the surface and extends the roadway’s life expectancy at a very low cost.

- **12.21:** Council advanced the Local Street Resurfacing Program FY 2022-23 SB1 Crack Sealing project which will apply crack seal to approximately 35 centerline miles of residential, collector, and arterial roadways on various streets citywide (Attachment A - Vicinity Map). Crack sealing is a pavement preventative maintenance treatment that prevents water intrusion into the pavement base structure.
• **12.22:** Council appropriated Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (ASHC) grant funds and awarded a professional service contract for three transportation improvement projects that will benefit the Stockton Grand View Village affordable housing project.

On September 6, 2022, the City entered into a Disbursement Agreement with Visionary Home Builders for the Sustainable Transportation Infrastructure and Transportation-Related Amenities improvements associated with their Grand View Village project. VHB was awarded $2,787,152 in state grant funds, which will be reimbursable for three projects:

- **Channel Street Improvements** - This project will include $1,585,132 in ASHC funding for curb, gutter, sidewalk, landscaping, bulb-outs, street lighting, and bicycle facilities along Channel Street from Stanislaus Street to Hunter Street, and portions of San Joaquin Street and Hunter Street.

- **Channel Street Corridor Improvements** - This project will include $202,020 in ASHC funding for curb, gutter, sidewalk, landscaping, bulb-outs, street lighting, and bicycle facilities along Channel Street from Aurora Street to Stanislaus Street, and portions of Aurora Street, Grant Street and Stanislaus Street. The San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission is the lead for delivery of this project and the City of Stockton is a partner that will provide construction oversight and administration.

- **Stockton Safe Routes to School Safety and Connectivity Improvements** - This project will include $1,000,000 in ASHC funding for improving safety and expanding connectivity to six high-priority elementary/middle and high schools located citywide: Huerta Elementary, Lincoln Elementary, Spanos Elementary, Van Buren Elementary, Westwood Elementary, and Edison High School. The project will install high-visibility crosswalks, rectangular rapid flashing beacons, traffic signage, bicycle lanes, traffic signal modifications, sidewalks, and curb ramps. The City of Stockton is the lead for delivery of this project and the design is currently underway.

• **12.28:** Council authorized the purchase of 71 police vehicles.
NEW BUSINESS: City Council received informational updates and acted on three New Business items, including:

- **15.1:** Council accepted the Van Buskirk Master Plan and the Biological Resources and Ecosystem Values. The 2023 Van Buskirk Master Plan includes opportunities for flood protection, passive and active recreation facilities, programs, and activities. It will be used to pursue funding opportunities for a phased approach to the project.

  The 2023 Biological Resources and Ecosystem Values of the Van Buskirk Golf Course is a support document for the Master Plan. It provides information relevant to possible future permitting or mitigation activities required for federal or state laws that meet rehabilitation and reuse objectives.

  View the full 2023 Stormwater Master Plan presentation here.

- **15.2:** Council approved plans and awarded a contract for the Miracle Mile Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon Improvements which will install rectangular rapid flashing beacons, construct bulb outs, upgrade curb ramps to current ADA standards, and improve crosswalk striping at Pacific Avenue and Adams Street. Rectangular rapid flashing beacons are a pedestrian-activated warning device that flashes lights to alert approaching traffic that a bicyclist or pedestrian is trying to cross the street. The project will also upgrade the streetlight fixture to current City standards along Pacific Avenue from Castle Street to Harding Way (Attachment A - Vicinity Map).

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