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CITY COUNCIL MEETING RE-CAP – APRIL 19th, 2022

Below is a brief re-cap of the April 19th, 2022 City Council Meeting.
To read the full agenda and/or watch the video recording of the meeting:
<http://www.stocktongov.com/government/Meetings/councilMeetings.html>

PROCLAMATIONS: City Council proclaimed April 24th Earth Day.

CONSENT ITEMS: City Council approved all 12 Consent Agenda Items, including:

- **12.10:** Council accepted \$200,000 from the estate of the late Carl O. Schatz to support the Stockton Animal Shelter renovation project, which is currently underway. The project will improve the quality of life for our shelter animals by advancing facility operations, expanding the existing Animal Shelter to increase animal capacity, and upgrading medical care facilities. This project will also improve the experience for prospective pet owners.
- **12.11:** Council authorized the submittal of three projects to the San Joaquin Council of Governments for proposed federal funding as part of the annual "One Voice" trip to Washington, D.C. The projects for submittal include the Lower Sacramento Road Corridor, Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Mitigation, and the City of Stockton Sustainability Plan.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **15.1:** City Council received an informational update from Visit Stockton detailing their efforts to focus on destination visibility, reputation management, and local business support. Wes Rhea of Visit Stockton also shared plans regarding the development of video content and campaigns focused on the diversity, culture, and activities/opportunities in Stockton. Council approved the 2022 Stockton Tourism Improvement District Budget and Service Plan and the 2021 Annual Report.

The full presentation can be found in the agenda packet link above.

- **15.4:** City Manager provided Council with an update regarding the development of a 4th of July community event returning to Weber Point this year. While not finalized, planning is underway to resume an event on July 4th from 5:30pm - 10pm at Weber Point. Planning includes a fireworks show, family friendly entertainment, and food. City Council held a discussion regarding the details of the event, sharing recommendations for staff to engage local community groups and event organizers for participation in the event, and consider expanding activities to take place earlier in the day following the annual Veteran's-led morning parade. City Council is excited about the return of a 4th of July community event to Stockton.

HEARINGS: Two public hearings were held, including:

16.1: City Council approved the annual budget and assessment rolls for the 2022-23 Holiday Park Maintenance District. In addition to maintaining assessment rate paid by residents of Holiday Park Maintenance District, Council approved a subsidy in the amount of \$81,489 to continue operations and maintenance of the Holiday Park swimming pool. The pool is open to the public. Residents of the 304 parcels in the Maintenance District may use the pool for a discounted fee.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

City Council members expressed their sorrow, grief, and condolences to the Reynaga family following the tragic homicide of Alycia "Lala" Reynaga at Stagg High School on April 18th.

Mayor Lincoln's comments included: *"You never prepare for what took place yesterday, and it **never** should have happened. We are not going to give up, we are not going to back down, and we are going to continue to unite as a community and as a city to do whatever it takes to keep our community safe. Enough is **enough**. This loss has stretched deep and wide in our community. This Council is going to stand for the future of our city, our children. I want the community to know our organizers are talking and people are coming together, and we will put in the work that needs to be put in to move our city forward."*

Video of full Council Comments can be found here:

https://stockton.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=48&clip_id=7945

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