

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL UPDATES

Actions Taken by the Dublin City Council

(Please note this is only a summary, for official minutes and a complete record, visit the City of Dublin's website at www.ci.dublin.ca.us)

July 20th

-The City Council approved a new capital project to have paperless council meetings. By January, the Council will move away from using binders and paper. Agendas will be done online or on flash drives, and councilmembers will use laptops. Efforts will also be made at the Staff level to facilitate the preparation of agendas using as little paper as possible

-In an effort to encourage increased economic development, an ordinance was adopted allowing for more shared parking opportunities in commercial areas. The existing code was far more restrictive in regards to parking requirements for each specific use. The new ordinance is far less rigid and recognizes that various uses at different times of the day can share parking spaces, saving existing and future businesses money and allowing them to move forward for approval

-Based on concerns over traffic, parking, and economic development, a report was given to the Council on the possibility of changing the zoning ordinance for future grocery users, requiring them to get a conditional use permit. This is similar to existing regulations in all other Tri-Valley cities. After much discussion and questions for Staff, the item will be brought back with the additional requested information

-In an effort to update the public on public transit opportunities, a new agreement with LAVTA was approved both establishing and abolishing bus stop locations Citywide based upon current and future routes

-A resolution was approved authorizing the City Manager to negotiate an agreement for the completion of the Dublin Heritage Park and Museums

-Contracts were approved for library and street sweeping services

-The construction of Fallon Gateway Shopping Center moved closer to starting with the approval of tract improvements, utility easement right-of-ways, and emergency vehicle access points

-Improvements to the Emerald Glen play equipment, I-580/Fallon Road Interchange, I-580 Westbound auxiliary lane, and street regulatory signage at Avalon Bay were officially accepted

-Additional directional signage was approved to assist East Dublin Auto Dealers

-A resolution was passed to apply for a CalRecycle Used Oil Payment Program

-A report was received on the pension obligations of the Dougherty Regional Fire Authority

-An agreement for Payment Processing Services for the City's Parks and Community Services Department was approved

-In an effort to support community television, a resolution supporting the Community Access Preservation (CAP) Act was adopted

-Proclamations were issued to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act and the 27th Annual National Night Out program

-An official acceptance of gifts was issued for all of the City's fiscal year 2009-2010 sponsors

-All of the sponsors and donors for Bike to Work Day and All American City Award competition were recognized

-The Senior Center Advisory Committee gave its annual report to the City Council detailing its many accomplishments for the 2009-2010 fiscal year

-Mayor Sbranti and Councilmember Biddle were re-appointed to the City's Economic Development Ad-hoc committee

-Gary Huisinigh was introduced as Dublin's newest department head, becoming the City's Public Works Director