

**Action:** Adopted Ordinance No. 1660 N.C. (2d) (Abstain due to conflict of interest – Gomes, McConnell and Sunga)

**13. ACTION CALENDAR**

- A. Requested by Councilmember Gomes and Brown. Consideration of a resolution creating a Public Safety Fact-Finding Committee whose duties include but are not limited to, reviewing best practices in other cities of Citizens Police Review Boards; reviewing successes and best practices of other cities in re-creating, reorganizing , or regionalizing their police and fire departments; reviewing all provisions in the City employee labor contracts, starting with Police and Fire contracts; and making recommendation to the City Council for action thereon by certain dates**

Councilmember Gomes presented a revised resolution.

**Speakers:** Karol Heppe, Kevin Kelley, Sam Kurshan, Buck Kamphausen, Randy Tsutsui, Jacqueline Caragan, Alan Caragan (VPOA), Verna Mustico, Ken Ross (Team Superstores), Brett Clark (VPOA), Sean Kenney (VPOA), Gary Wettstein, David Corbett (Vallejo Lamplighter), Rick Mariani, Reverend Dr. Tony Ubalde, Mat Mustard (VPOA), J.T. Miller, Doug Darling, Marc Garman (Vallejo Independent Bulletin), and Mike Lionel

The meeting recessed at 10:09 p.m. and reconvened at 10:23 p.m.

**Action:** Moved by Councilmember Gomes and carried unanimously to adopt the revised Resolution as presented by Councilmember Gomes (Resolution No. 11-173 N.C.) to include language as presented up to and including the first paragraph following "Now Therefore Be It Resolved as Follows" which includes the establishment of a City Council Public Safety Committee only with the appointment of the two members to be conducted at the December 20 Council meeting, and directing the Council Public Safety Committee to work with the City Manager who will work with staff to bring back recommendations on the construction of a Citizens Public Safety Advisory Committee on January 17, 2012.

**14. INFORMATION CALENDAR – None.**

**15. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT – None.**

**16. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT – None.**

**17. COMMUNITY FORUM**

**Speakers:** None

**18. REPORT OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL – None.**

**19. CLOSED SESSION - None**

**20. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ N.C.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Vallejo as follows:

WHEREAS, public safety is absolutely critical to the health and welfare of Vallejo citizens and to our ability to attract new and retain existing businesses; and

WHEREAS, our City staff continue to do more with less, and as the economy continues to stagnate or even degrade further, the costs of City services will continue to rise, making it even more difficult to fully staff our City departments, particularly the largest and most costly, public safety; and

WHEREAS, maintaining and improving public safety in Vallejo should be a working partnership between our public safety departments and the citizens of Vallejo, and must include a high level of accountability, transparency, and fiscal responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Vallejo citizens need an adopted procedure and safe venue to address complaints or concerns about the services and performance of our public safety departments or individuals; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby creates a Public Safety Fact-Finding Committee; the duties will include, but are not limited to:

- A review of best practices in other cities of Citizens Police Review Boards, including approaches, powers, limitations and the impact of various models of citizen review, with recommendations to the City Council for adoption no later than April 3, 2012;
- A review of successes and best practices in other cities in re-creating, reorganizing or regionalizing their police and fire departments so they function more efficiently and best serve their publics, with a recommendation to the City Council no later than July 24, 2012;
- A review of all provisions in the City's employee labor contracts, starting with the Police and Fire contracts, with recommendations on best practices to the City Council no later than October 30, 2012; this shall include a review of best practices in labor negotiation processes that involve citizen participation and public transparency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Committee shall consist of five Vallejo residents, selected by the City Council at the January 17, 2012, regular City Council meeting; all committee candidates must have prior experience in large organization or government finance and budgeting, government human relations, labor negotiations, labor law, or have prior experience in public safety and/or official public safety oversight. Any person wishing to be appointed to the Committee will need to submit an application on a form provided by the City Clerk. In addition, the Committee shall include two non-voting City Council liaisons appointed by the City Council. The City Manager shall

appoint a staff person to help coordinate the commission activities and serve as liaison with other Departments for input and answers, as necessary, specifically Finance, Human Resources and Police and Fire.