The Concord City Council met in a special meeting at the Concord Senior Center located at 2727 Parkside Circle at 9:03 a.m. on Saturday, August 11, 2018, with Mayor Birsan presiding. Minutes follow in abbreviated form per Resolution 3361 and Council Minutes of September 26, 1966.

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Laura Hoffmeister, Ron Leone (arrived at 9:45 a.m.), Tim McGallian, Carlyn Obringer, Edi Birsan

STAFF PRESENT: Valerie Barone, City Manager; Susanne Brown, City Attorney; Kathleen Trepa, Assistant City Manager; Joelle Fockler, City Clerk

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO Addressed THE COUNCIL: Kenji Yamada, Concord; Carole Woods, Concord; Dominic Aliano, Concord

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kenji Yamada, Concord, announced that he would be audio recording the meeting.

COUNCIL WORKSHOP – Effective Governance Workshop: Governing under the District Elections System

The City Council held a workshop focusing on philosophy and norms in governing under the District Elections System, including top issues of how planning commission and other advisory bodies are selected and how Council committees are selected and operated.

Mayor Birsan opened a public comment period.

Kenji Yamada, Concord, rejected the premise of not primarily supporting constituents in one’s district and addressed the relationship between elected and represented.

Carole Woods, League of Women Voters of Diablo Valley, suggested that the next workshop on the topic be conducted without an outside consultant and suggested that the Council get down to specifics.

Dominic Aliano, Concord, spoke in support of district councilmembers.

Mayor Birsan closed the public comment period.

CORRESPONDENCE

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ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Birsan adjourned the meeting at 1:55 p.m.

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EDIL E. BIRSAN
MAYOR

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JOELLE FOCLER, MMC
CITY CLERK