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**ANNOTATED AGENDA
Special Meeting of the
Concord City Council/City
Council Sitting as the
Local Reuse Authority**

Wednesday,
June 27, 2018

1:00 p.m.

Council Chamber
1950 Parkside Drive

Information for the public on participation at Council meetings can be found on the back of the Speaker Identification Card. Should you have any questions after consulting the Speaker Identification Card, please contact the City Clerk prior to the Council meeting.

AGENDIZED ITEMS – The public is entitled to address the City Council on items appearing on the agenda before or during the City Council’s consideration of that item. Each speaker will be limited to approximately three minutes.

1. OPENING

Roll Call – all present

2. Considering – reports of a potential detention center and/or migrant housing at the former Concord Naval Weapons Station and/or Coast Guard property, including community input, coordination with other elected officials, and possible formulation and implementation of Council response and City action plan. Please note: no staff report will be prepared; however, a copy of the Mayor’s June 25, 2018, letter to the Secretary of the Navy is attached.

ACTION: Report heard and public testimony taken.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence received at the City Council meeting will be listed here on the Annotated Agenda.

- a. Benched Correspondence – Agenda Item No. 2
- b. Press Release from Congressman Mark DeSaulnier dated June 27, 2018
- c. Letter submitted by Leland Frayseth dated June 27, 2018
- d. Suggested information points submitted by a member of the public

4. ADJOURNMENT – at 3:15 p.m.

Next Meeting: Regular Meeting

Date: 8/7/2018 - 6:30 PM

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The following is a list of regular **Council Committee** meeting dates. Most meetings are held in the Garden Conference Room, 1950 Parkside Drive, Concord. **NOTE: Meetings are subject to change or cancellation. For latest information and committee agendas please call 671-3158.**

Committee	Chair/Member	Meeting Time
Policy Development & Internal Operations	Birsan/Obringer	2 nd Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.
Housing & Economic Development	Obringer/McGallian	4 th Monday at 5:30 p.m.
Infrastructure & Franchise	Hoffmeister/Leone	2 nd Monday at 6:00 p.m.
Recreation, Cultural Affairs & Comm. Svc.	McGallian/Birsan	3 rd Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.
Youth & Education	Leone/Hoffmeister	3 rd Monday at 6:00 p.m.



June 25, 2018

The Honorable Richard Spencer
Secretary of the Navy
1000 Navy Pentagon
Washington, DC 20350-1000

Dear Mr. Secretary,

On behalf of the Concord Community, Concord City Council and Local Reuse Authority, and as Mayor of the City of Concord, I am requesting your assistance in obtaining factual information regarding a draft Navy memo reportedly considering the placement of a detention center housing more than 47,000 immigrants at the former Concord Naval Weapons Station (CNWS). Concord residents and leaders have numerous questions about the detention center proposal and we would welcome you or an authorized representative to come to a City Council meeting to clarify the situation, including the decision making process, current status and timing.

The City of Concord has worked in partnership with the Navy for the last 12 years through the BRAC process and spent millions of tax payers dollars (both federal and local) in negotiations for the sale of the property, planning for the site, and environmental permitting and remediation of the site. Our current negotiations with Navy staff anticipate first transfers of property over the next few months. Property that is not being transferred in the first transfers lack clearance from the federal government as "suitable" for transfer, which means that these lands are not suitable for public habitation either.

The CNWS is neither rural nor remote, rather it is directly adjacent to existing Concord neighborhoods and the largest active Army ammunition and explosives depot at Military Ocean Terminal Concord (MOTCO) on the West Coast.

Below, I've outlined these concerns a bit more.

Basic Concerns

- The location of the CNWS directly adjacent to our residential community and to MOTCO.
- Significant acreage within the CNWS is still undergoing assessment and clean-up of Navy contamination and is not suitable for transfer nor human occupation.

- The City and the Navy have been working together over the last 12-years through the BRAC process and we are within months of transferring property to the City and the East Bay Regional Parks District for development of parkland and housing and commercial uses.
- The CNWS currently has no useful infrastructure to provide water, sewer, or electricity.

These concerns, individually and collectively, make the CNWS unsuitable for consideration as a detention facility.

BRAC Process and Property Transfer

Over 12 years ago the City of Concord was designated as the Local Reuse Authority (LRA) under the Base Realignment and Closure Act (BRAC) and began a partnership with the Navy to facilitate the transfer and redevelopment of the CNWS. This partnership has spent millions of local and Federal taxpayers' dollars to engage the local community in a vision for the project; prepare the necessary environmental assessments, pursue the required resource agency permits; and secure a Master Developer willing to plan and finance the creation of jobs and housing at the site. To now withdraw from that process and shift to a transfer enabling a detention center would negate all those honorable efforts and reflect poorly on future negotiations here and elsewhere for the Navy.

Concord's Historic Background

This July 4th Concord will be also celebrating the 150th anniversary of its founding. When the nearby town was totally destroyed by the Hayward Fault earthquake, Don Salvio Pacheco and his Mexican-American family initiated the plans for the city, and gave their land away for a \$1 to the survivors and refugees of the destroyed town so that they may build together a new community which the people quickly called Concord, as in living in concordance with one another.

Future Collaboration and Information Sharing

Concord residents would appreciate any information the Navy can provide us with regards to the draft memo identifying the CNWS as a potential detention center or future considerations of this concept. We have appreciated the Navy's close collaboration with us on our efforts to plan for the reuse and redevelopment of the CNWS. Clearly, we do not think the CNWS is an appropriate location for a detention center and will gladly provide the federal government with any information they may require in this decision making process.

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Thank you for your consideration on these matters. I repeat, again, our offer for you or your authorized representative to come to the City Council and explain in detail where the Navy intends to go in this regard.

Yours truly,



Edi Birsan

Mayor of the City of Concord, California.

Copy to:

Senator Dianne Feinstein

Senator Kamala Harris

Congressman Mark DeSaulnier

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Phyliss Bayer

State Senator Steve Glazer

State Assemblymember Tim Grayson

County Supervisor Karen Mitchoff

Concord City Council and Staff

