

CONCURRENT REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE  
SONOMA CITY COUNCIL

&

SONOMA CITY COUNCIL AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE  
DISSOLVED SONOMA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY



Community Meeting Room, 177 First Street West  
Sonoma CA 95476

Wednesday September 4, 2013  
6:00 p.m.

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AGENDA

City Council  
Ken Brown, Mayor  
Tom Rouse, Mayor Pro Tem  
Steve Barbose  
David Cook  
Laurie Gallian

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**OPENING**

**CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**  
**ROLL CALL** (Gallian, Cook, Barbose, Rouse, Brown)  
**REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

**1. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

*At this time, members of the public may comment on any item not appearing on the agenda. It is recommended that you keep your comments to three minutes or less. Under State Law, matters presented under this item cannot be discussed or acted upon by the City Council at this time. For items appearing on the agenda, the public will be invited to make comments at the time the item comes up for Council consideration. Upon being acknowledged by the Mayor, please step to the podium and speak into the microphone. Begin by stating and spelling your name.*

**2. COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Item 2A:** Councilmembers' Comments and Announcements

**3. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS INCLUDING ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM SUCCESSOR AGENCY STAFF**

**4. PRESENTATIONS**

**Item 4A:** Presentation of Annual Report of the Sonoma Tourism Improvement District

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR/AGENDA ORDER – CITY COUNCIL**

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**Item 5A:** Waive further reading and Authorize Introduction and/or Adoption of Ordinances by Title Only. (Standard procedural action - no backup information provided)

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR/AGENDA ORDER – CITY COUNCIL, Continued**

**Item 5B:** Approval of the Minutes of the August 12 and August 19, 2013 Meetings.  
Staff Recommendation: Approve the minutes.

**Item 5C:** Approval and ratification of the appointment of Harry Blum to the Community Services and Environment Commission for a two-year term.  
Staff Recommendation: Ratify the nomination.

**Item 5D:** Request for Proposals (RFP) for the preparation of updates to the Housing and Circulation Elements of the General Plan.  
Staff Recommendation: Authorize the circulation of the RFP.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR/AGENDA ORDER – CITY COUNCIL AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

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**Item 6A:** Approval of the portions of the Minutes of the August 12 and August 19, 2013 City Council / Successor Agency Meetings pertaining to the Successor Agency.  
Staff Recommendation: Approve the minutes.

**7. PUBLIC HEARING**

**Item 7A:** Review and Consideration of a Refuse Rate Adjustment with City Franchisee Sonoma Garbage Company, Inc. to be effective on October 1, 2013. (City Manager)  
Staff Recommendation: Adopt resolution approving of a rate increase of 2.38% effective October 1, 2013.

**8. REGULAR CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL**

*(Matters requiring discussion and/or action by the City Council)*

**Item 8A:** Discussion, Consideration and Possible Adoption of a Resolution in Support of Sonoma Developmental Center, requested by Mayor Brown. (City Manager)  
Staff Recommendation: Adopt the resolution.

**Item 8B:** Discussion, consideration and possible action on the question of whether to revisit the regulation of leaf-blowers, including consideration of a ban on gas-powered leaf blowers. (Planning Director)  
Staff Recommendation: Provide direction to staff.

**Item 8C:** Discussion of 2013-14 City Council GOALS “Report Card”. (City Manager)  
Staff Recommendation: Receive status report on Council Goals.

**Item 8D:** Discussion, consideration and possible action relating to the Alcalde Selection Policy. (City Manager)  
Staff Recommendation: Should Council desire to entertain revisions to the Alcalde Selection Policy, staff recommends that it appoint a subcommittee to meet with Mr. Evans, past Alcaldes, and other interested parties to consider revisions of the Policy and if there are, place them before the entire City Council for consideration.

**8. REGULAR CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL, Continued**

**Item 8E:** Consideration and Possible Action to Appoint an Alternate Representative to the Sonoma Clean Power Agency [SCPA] Board. (City Manager)  
Staff Recommendation: Appoint Alternate.

**9. REGULAR CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

*(Matters requiring discussion and/or action by the Council as the Successor Agency)*

**10. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS AND FINAL REMARKS**

**Item 10A:** Reports Regarding Committee Activities.

**Item 10B:** Final Councilmembers' Remarks.

**11. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

I do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing agenda was posted on the City Hall bulletin board on August 29, 2013. GAY JOHANN, CITY CLERK

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