

**CONCURRENT SPECIAL MEETINGS OF THE  
SONOMA CITY COUNCIL  
&  
SONOMA CITY COUNCIL AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE  
DISSOLVED SONOMA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

*Emergency Operations Center (EOC)  
175 First Street West  
Sonoma CA 95476*



**Monday, June 23, 2014  
1:00 p.m.  
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MINUTES**

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

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Rouse called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Rouse and Councilmembers Barbose, Brown, Cook and Gallian  
ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Giovanatto, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Johann, Planning Director Goodison, Public Works Director Takasugi, Police Chief Sackett, Finance Director Hilbrants, Fire Chief Freeman and Building Inspector Toohey.

**2. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - None**

**3. FISCAL YEAR 2014/15 BUDGET WORKSHOP**

City Manager Giovanatto reported that staff was pleased to present a draft balanced budget for the 2014/15 Fiscal Year for all City funds in the amount of \$29,510,450. She noted that one of the Council's goals for fiscal year 2014/15 was to "Maintain fiscal responsibility that ensures short and long-term prosperity through effective fiscal planning and efficient management of the taxpayers' assets; apply sound budget strategy to assure financial sustainability in the General and Enterprise Funds through the continued application of sound financial policies".

Giovanatto stated that the City continued to experience increased fiscal stability, based in major part on wise decisions by current and past City Councils and staff to maintain expenditure controls coupled with a solid and growing tax base of three dominant revenue sources – transient occupancy tax, property tax and sales tax. Overall, the General Fund revenue was expected to increase by approximately \$1,154,398 million or 7.7%% in FY 2015 over the FY 2014 budget. She explained that while the increase was significant, it needed to be recognized that the major portion of the increase was due to one-time State grants, which were dedicated to street & road infrastructure projects.

Following a detailed explanation of the projected revenues and overall expenditures, the Department Directors each presented their proposed budgets and responded to inquiries by Councilmembers. City Manager Giovanatto stated that a special meeting would be held on June 30 to conduct a public hearing and provide for the adoption of the budget.

Mayor Rouse invited comments from the public. Madolyn Agrimonti inquired if the seizure funds collected by the Police Department were kept by the City or if they went to the Sheriff. City Manager Giovanatto responded that they were maintained by the City and that they could only be used for specific purposes per State law.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing minutes were duly and regularly adopted at a regular meeting of the Sonoma City Council on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 2014.

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Gay Johann  
Assistant City Manager / City Clerk