

**SPECIAL 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*



**Monday, June 30, 2014
5:30 p.m. Closed Session
6:00 p.m. Open Session**

MINUTES

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

CLOSED SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rouse called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and invited comments from the public. No one from the public was present to provide public testimony on the closed session item. The City Council recessed into closed session at 5:01 with all members present. City Manager Giovanatto, City Attorney Walter and Ryan Snow were also present.

2. CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Property: Old Fire Station, 32 Patten Street, Sonoma. Agency Negotiators: City Manager Giovanatto, City Attorney Walter, Councilmembers Cook and Barbose, Planning Director Goodison and Ryan Snow. Negotiating Parties: Mann Property Co., Caymus Capital, The Other Guys-TOG, and Frank Demichele. Under Negotiation: Price, conditions and terms of payment. Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8.

6:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION

The City Council reconvened in open session and Mayor Rouse called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Madolyn Agrimonti led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Giovanatto and Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Johann

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION – Mayor Rouse reported that the City Council had voted unanimously to accept a non-contingent offer in the amount of \$1,650,000 from The Other Guys for the old fire station property. He stated that the deal would not be final until approved by the Oversight Board and the State Department of Finance.

1. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - None

2. PUBLIC HEARING

Item 2A: Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action Regarding the Adoption of the FY 2014-15 Operating and Capital Budget for the City of Sonoma and the Sonoma Successor Agency.

City Manager Giovanatto reported that the City Council convened in a Budget Workshop on June 23 to review the proposed 2014-15 Operating and Capital Budget for the City and successor Agency. The workshop provided the opportunity for Department Managers to present a detailed overview to the City Council of the budgets they manage. During the regular meeting held that evening presentations were made by the Tier 1 non-profit agencies who had requested increases in their base FY 13-14 grant amounts. Giovanatto stated that Council approved a 20% increase in the grant amounts for all Tier 1 agencies and directed that the increased dollar amount totaling \$27,600 be funded from General Fund Reserves. Staff had incorporated that change in the proposed budget and was presenting the Final FY 14-15 Operating and Capital Budget for adoption.

Item 2A: FY 2014-15 Budget, Continued

Mayor Rouse invited comments from the public. Madolyn Agrimonti stated her appreciation for all the Tier 1 nonprofits and was happy that the Council supported them. She announced that she had offered her volunteer service to provide fundraising assistance to the League for Historic Preservation and the Fire Department.

Rachel Hundley congratulated everyone for bringing together a balanced budget. Cynthia Scarborough, Vintage House, thanked the Council for recognizing the importance of Tier 1 nonprofits.

CIm. Cook stated that he was proud of the City for having a balanced budget two years in a row. CIm. Barbose stated he liked the new approach of having the workshop with the Department Heads and the new way the departmental budgets had been presented. CIm. Gallian stated her appreciation for the Council goal setting workshop and the way staff incorporated Council goals and priorities into the budget. CIm. Brown stated it was Council, staff and the public working together that created the budget and the atmosphere of prosperity. Mayor Rouse complimented the Council and staff for their dedication and for taking their job seriously.

It was moved by CIm. Gallian, seconded by CIm. Brown, to adopt Res. No. 29–2014 entitled A Resolution of the City of Sonoma and the Successor Agency of the Former Sonoma Community Development Agency Adopting the Operating and Capital Budget For Fiscal Year 2014-2015. The motion carried unanimously.

3. COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS & REPORTS

CIm. Brown reported attendance at the Sonoma Valley Citizens Advisory Commission meeting and announced the first game of Sonoma Stompers was July 1. All Councilmembers wished the public a safe, sane and happy Fourth of July! Mayor Rouse stated that a group called Voices had been presented at an event and he was more than impressed with their mission to provide services to those coming out of the foster care system.

4. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Cynthia Scarborough announced tickets were on sale for a Vintage House fundraiser. Rachel Hundley stated she would be working in the beer booth for the 4th of July. Madolyn Agrimonti stated that Sonoma Splash would be in the parade.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 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 7th day of July 2014.

Gay Johann
Assistant City Manager / City Clerk