

**SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE
SONOMA CITY COUNCIL
&
CONCURRENT REGULAR MEETING OF THE 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, July 7, 2014
5:30 P.M. Closed Session (Special Meeting)
6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting**

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

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING - 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 and City Attorney Walter were also present.

2. CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Cal. Gov't Code section 54956.9: One potential case, involving the County of Sonoma's claims that the cities of Sonoma County, including the City of Sonoma, are responsible for closure and post-closure costs applicable to the Central Disposal (Landfill) Site owned by the County of Sonoma.

REGULAR MEETING

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

PRESENT: Mayor Rouse and Councilmembers Barbose, Brown, Cook and Gallian.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Giovanatto, City Attorney, Walter and Administrative Assistant Gipson

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION - Mayor Rouse reported that no action had been taken.

1. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Rosemarie Pedranzini, with sadness, dedicated the meeting in memory of Cynthia Solomon. Pedranzini stated that Sonoma Valley Hospital's Senior Wellness will no longer be taking care of senior's. Pedranzini asked if something could be done about the CEO of Sonoma Valley Hospital reportedly firing long-term staff as well as the closing of the hospital's Senior Wellness.

Mary Smith, volunteer at Sonoma Valley Hospital, expressed her concerns about the experienced hospital staff members that were being laid off due to budget cuts.

Ed Kinney asked if the Proclamations on behalf of the Veterans Memorial every year be awarded to someone other than the American Legion and to consider the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Disabled Veterans for future proclamation presentations.

2. COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clm. Brown dedicated the meeting to Sierra Coffey, a good citizen and mother. He reported his attendance at the 4th of July festivities and announced his office hours for Tuesday, July 8th, during the Farmer's Market on the Plaza.

Clm. Cook announced his weekly office hours at City Hall every Wednesday.

Clm. Gallian thanked the Community Center, ambassadors, fire workers and police department for their outstanding work and support during the 4th of July celebration. She reported attending the Sonoma Stompers opening night game resulting in good traffic, attendance and coordination during the open Farmers Market.

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

City Manager Giovanatto presented public service announcements from Public Works Director Takasugi, stating there would be various street closures throughout the City due to Water projects and Street rehabilitation projects.

4. PRESENTATIONS

Item 4A: Recognition of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Bear Flag Post 1943 for providing a bullet-proof vest for Officer Dickie.

Police Chief Sackett thanked the Ladies Auxiliary for their fund raising and contribution for providing Officer Dickie with a custom fit bullet proof vest made by K-9 Armor.

Mayor Rouse presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the Ladies Auxiliary Veterans of Foreign Wars Bear Flag Post 1943 for providing a bullet-proof vest for Officer Dickie.

President of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Sarah Parker, thanked Council, Office Sherman and Officer Dickie for all of their hard work maintaining order for the City of Sonoma and for the recognition and continued support for the local Veteran's organizations.

Item 4B: Recognition of Ryan Wilbanks' service on the Community Services and Environment Commission.

Mayor Rouse presented Ryan Wilbanks a Certificate of Appreciation for his services on the Community Services and Environment Commission as Youth Representative since July 2012

5. CONSENT CALENDAR/AGENDA ORDER – CITY COUNCIL

Item 5A: Waive Further reading and Authorize Introduction and/or Adoption of Ordinances by Title Only.

Item 5B: Approval of the Minutes of the June 23, 2014 Budget Workshop and the June 23, 2014 Regular City Council meeting.

Item 5C: Approval and ratification of the reappointment of Micaelia Randolph to the Design Review & Historic Preservation Commission for a four-year term.

Item 5D: Approval and Ratification of the Appointment of Armando Zimmermann as the Alternate for the Traffic Safety Committee for a Two-Year Term.

Item 5E: Adoption of a resolution upholding of the Planning Commission's decision to regarding Development Code consistency with the issuance of a Type 67 ABC License for the Cottage Inn & Spa (302 and 310 First Street East).

Item 5F: Approve the Notice of Completion for the Church Street and Curtin Lane Water Improvements and Street Rehabilitation Project No. 1311 Constructed by Argonaut Constructors and Direct the City Clerk to File the Document.

Item 5G: Adoption of Resolutions 1) Calling the General Municipal Election to be held November 4, 2014; and 2) Requesting the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors to Consolidate the Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election.

Item 5H: Approve City's Partnership with Sonoma County Permit and Resources Management Department (PRMD) on the grant proposal, "Clean Streams in Sonoma County", and Issue a Letter of Support.

It was moved by Clm. Gallian, seconded by Clm. Barbose to approve the consent calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Item 6A: Approval of the portions of the Minutes of the June 23, 2014 Budget Workshop and the June 23, 2014 Regular City Council meeting pertaining to the Successor Agency.

It was moved by Clm. Gallian, seconded by Clm. Brown, to approve the consent calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

7. PUBLIC HEARING – None Scheduled

8. REGULAR CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL

Item 8A: Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action to Provide Direction to Councilmember Barbose on Potential Voting Action by Sonoma Clean Power Board of Directors [Requested by Barbose]

City Manager Giovanatto turned over discussion on the Sonoma Clean Power agenda to Clm. Barbose seeking feed- back and direction.

Clm. Barbose stated an agenda item had arisen at the last Sonoma Clean Power meeting asking board members to take action in removing Supervisor Carrillo as Director of Sonoma Clean Power who was appointed by David Rabbitt, Chairman of the Board of Supervisor's. The removal is based on prior actions which the SCP Board felt reflected negatively on the credibility of Sonoma Clean Power.

Mayor Rouse invited comments from the public.

Gina Cuclis stated she was in attendance at a recent Board of Supervisors meeting and all four members of the Board of Supervisors called on Supervisor Carrillo's resignation and that she was very disappointed in Supervisor Carrillo's behavior and noted that his presence was a distraction to Sonoma Clean Power.

Pete Saibene remarked that Supervisor Carrillo did not see this as a big distraction and questioned if Carrillo caused problems for Sonoma Clean Power.

Councilmembers unanimously agreed that a message be sent to Supervisor Carrillo and the constituents of Sonoma Clean Power stating he had betrayed the public's trust. Mayor Rouse stated to Clm. Barbose that Council would provide direction from a unanimous basis asking that a vote be pursued.

Item 8B: Discussion, consideration and possible action to adopt a resolution in opposition to fracking in the State of California, requested by Councilmembers Rouse and Brown.

City Manager Giovanatto stated this item was requested to bring before Council described as a resolution opposition in the practice of fracking in California which was passed by the City of Sebastopol and distributed by the mayor and councilmembers association for support of the cities of Sonoma County.

Rosemarie Pedranzini, Jack Wagner and Donna Warsaw spoke in support of the resolution.

It was moved by Clm. Barbose, seconded by Clm. Brown to attach a cover letter to the resolution opposing fracking in the state of California. The motion carried unanimously.

9. REGULAR CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY

10. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS AND FINAL REMARKS

Item 10A: Reports Regarding Committee Activities.

Clm. Gallian passed out a Sonoma Housing Survey and noted the 2015-2023 Housing Element Update located on the City website for the public. She stated that housing affordability was becoming a critical issue.

Item 10B: Final Councilmembers' Remarks.

CIm. Gallian stated the deadline for vacancies would be July 11 for the Community Services and Environment Commission.

Mayor Rouse asked if he could have Council's support regarding Item 2 on the Agenda, COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS and to apply Item 10 to COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS, FINAL REMARKS AND COMMENTS at the end of the Agenda and the meeting.

City Attorney Walter stated this request should be put on the next agenda.

11. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Jack Wagner stated a positive letter should be written in support of the senate committee's changing of SB 2145 bill.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. in memory of Sierra Coffey and Cynthia Solomon.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing minutes were duly and regularly adopted at a regular meeting of the Sonoma City Council on the 21st day of July 2014.

Rita Gipson
Administrative Assistant