

**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



Wednesday, September 3, 2014

6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

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

Be Courteous - **TURN OFF** your cell phones and pagers while the meeting is in session.

6:00 P.M. – OPENING

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

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. MEETING DEDICATIONS

3. PRESENTATIONS

Item 3A: Freedom Day USA 2014 Proclamation

Item 3B: A word of thanks from the Richard M. Sangster American Inns of Court

4. CONSENT CALENDAR/AGENDA ORDER – CITY COUNCIL

All items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless members of the Council, staff, or public request specific items to be removed for separate action. At this time Council may decide to change the order of the agenda.

Item 4A: Waive Further reading and Authorize Introduction and/or Adoption of Ordinances by Title Only. (Standard procedural action - no backup information provided)

Item 4B: Approval of the Minutes of the July 21, August 18, and August 25, 2014 City Council meetings.
Staff Recommendation: Approve the minutes.

Item 4C: Approval and ratification of the reappointment of George McKale as City Historian for a two-year term.
Staff Recommendation: Approve and ratify the reappointment.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR/AGENDA ORDER – CITY COUNCIL, Continued

Item 4D: Adoption of a resolution approving the use of City Streets by Sonoma Valley High School on October 17, 2014 to conduct the annual Homecoming Parade.
Staff Recommendation: Adopt resolution.

Item 4E: Approval of a request for a full refund of the fees paid for the 2014 Homecoming event and approve a waiver of fees for future years, until and unless, there is a dramatic change or increase to the size and scope of the event.
Staff Recommendation: Approve the request for a refund of the fees paid for the 2014 Homecoming event and approve a waiver of fees into the future, until and unless, there is a dramatic change or increase to the size and scope of the event.

Item 4F: Approval of the allocation of a free day use at the Sonoma Veteran’s Memorial Building as requested by the Sonoma Valley High School Boosters Club for the annual Crab Feed on January 24, 2015.
Staff Recommendation: Approve.

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

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Item 5A: Approval of the portions of the Minutes of the July 21, August 18, and August 25, 2014 City Council meetings pertaining to the Successor Agency.
Staff Recommendation: Approve the minutes.

Item 5B: Adoption of the FY 14-15B Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule [ROPS] for the period January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015.
Staff Recommendation: Approve.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

Item 6A: Introduction of an ordinance establishing regulations governing the use of the Montini Preserve. (Planning Director)
Staff Recommendation: Introduce the ordinance.

7. REGULAR CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL

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

Item 7A: Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on the Proposal by the Penglai Committee of the Sonoma Sister Cities Association to place a memorial in Depot Park. (City Manager)
Staff Recommendation: Council discretion.

Item 7B: Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on the Establishment of an Increase to the Minimum Wage Law in the City of Sonoma [Requested by Councilmember Barbose] (City Manager)
Staff Recommendation: Council discretion.

8. REGULAR CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY

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

9. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

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

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 28, 2014. Gay Johann, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk

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CITY OF SONOMA
City Council
Agenda Item Summary

City Council Agenda Item: 3A

Meeting Date: 09/03/2014

Department

Administration

Staff Contact

Gay Johann, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk

Agenda Item Title

Freedom Day USA 2014 Proclamation

Summary

Rotary Club of Sonoma Valley is sponsoring the second annual Freedom Day USA on September 11, 2014. It is a day that participating local businesses provide free services, goods, products, etc. to veterans and members of our military and their immediate families as a thank you for their service.

Recommended Council Action

Mayor Rouse to present the proclamation.

Alternative Actions

N/A

Financial Impact

N/A

Environmental Review

- Environmental Impact Report
- Negative Declaration
- Exempt
- Not Applicable

Status

- Approved/Certified
 - No Action Required
 - Action Requested
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Attachments:

Proclamation

Alignment with Council Goals:

N/A

cc: R. Lee via email

City of Sonoma



Proclamation

FREEDOM DAY USA

WHEREAS, Freedom Day USA is a national "thank you" movement for Veterans and the members of our military and their immediate families; and

WHEREAS, This national event was founded by Dr. Robert Martino, owner of Wilson Martino Dental, West Virginia's largest dental chain; and built upon by the members of The Platinum Circle, a group of elite dentists who practice throughout our country; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martino's vision was to give the members of our military a Freedom Day, a day where we thanked them for giving us our freedom by providing free services, goods, products, etc. as a Thank You for the sacrifice, service and freedom which these men and women have provided to us; and

WHEREAS, The initial Freedom Day event was held on September 12, 2013 and in the future, the annual event will be on the second Thursday in September; and

WHEREAS, Rotary Club of Sonoma Valley is sponsoring Sonoma's participation in the 2nd annual Freedom Day USA event and hope to build upon the twenty businesses that participated in the 1st year of the event; and

WHEREAS, This event is a genuine thank you for the dedication, sacrifice and commitment of active duty and veterans of the U.S. military services and their immediate families. There are no strings attached on this day, and no requirements to purchase anything at participating businesses.

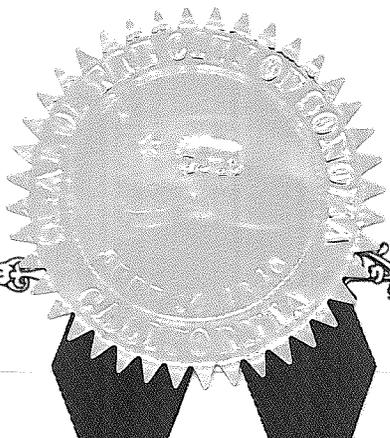
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tom Rouse, Mayor of the City of Sonoma, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2014

FREEDOM DAY USA

In the City of Sonoma and take this opportunity to thank our veterans and members of our military and their immediate families for their service and to also thank Rotary Club Sonoma Valley for sponsoring Freedom Day USA 2014.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of Sonoma to be affixed this 3rd day of September 2014.

TOM ROUSE, MAYOR





CITY OF SONOMA
City Council
Agenda Item Summary

City Council Agenda Item: 3B

Meeting Date: 09/03/2014

Department

Administration

Staff Contact

Gay Johann, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk

Agenda Item Title

A word of thanks from the Richard M. Sangster American Inns of Court

Summary

A representative of the Richard M. Sangster American Inns of Court would like to publicly thank the City for allowing them use of the Community Meeting Room for their meetings.

Although it is a policy of the City to not allow use of the Community Meeting Room by outside agencies, the former City Manager authorized its use by the Richard M. Sangster American Inns of Court.

Recommended Council Action

N/A

Alternative Actions

N/A

Financial Impact

N/A

Environmental Review

- Environmental Impact Report
- Negative Declaration
- Exempt
- Not Applicable

Status

- Approved/Certified
 - No Action Required
 - Action Requested
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Attachments:

None

Alignment with Council Goals: N/A

cc: J. Kelly via email



CITY OF SONOMA
City Council
Agenda Item Summary

City Council Agenda Item: 4B

Meeting Date: 09/03/2014

Department

Administration

Staff Contact

Gay Johann, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk

Agenda Item Title

Approval of the Minutes of the July 21, August 18, and August 25, 2014 City Council meetings.

Summary

The minutes have been prepared for Council review and approval.

Recommended Council Action

Approve the minutes.

Alternative Actions

Correct or amend the minutes prior to approval.

Financial Impact

N/A

Environmental Review

- Environmental Impact Report
- Negative Declaration
- Exempt
- Not Applicable

Status

- Approved/Certified
- No Action Required
- Action Requested

Attachments:

Minutes

Alignment with Council Goals: N/A

cc: N/A

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**Community Meeting Room, 177 First Street West
Sonoma CA 95476**



**Monday, July 21, 2014
6:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

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

OPENING

Mayor Rouse called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Rebecca Hermosillo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITY COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Barbose, Brown, Cook, Gallian and Mayor Rouse.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Giovanatto, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Johann, Assistant City Attorney Nebb, Planning Director Goodison, Finance Director Hilbrants, Public Works Director Takasugi and Development Services Director Wirick.

1. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

David Eicher asked the City Council to address the issues of water conservation and the Police Chief's previously stated concerns related to Type 42 ABC licenses.

Rachel Hundley commented on the recent Malaysia Airline tragedy and the Sonoma team that participated in the Aids Walk.

Rosemarie Pedranzini expressed unhappiness with Councilmember Brown related to a conversation he had with the hospital CEO.

2. COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Item 2A: Councilmembers' Comments and Announcements

Mayor Rouse dedicated the meeting in the memory of his brother-in-law David Motta and stated he had been one of the kindest men in the world. Clm. Brown dedicated the meeting to beloved friend and local musician David Ian Robbins. Clm. Gallian announced she would be on vacation during the Council's summer break but would be accessible by phone. Clm's. Cook and Brown announced their office hours and Clm. Barbose stated he was always available by phone.

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

City Manager Giovanatto reported that on July 15 the State Water Resources Control Board adopted an emergency regulation to ensure water agencies, their customers and state residents increase

water conservation in urban settings or face possible fines or other enforcement. Staff will be bringing a resolution enacting Stage 2 water conservation measures to Council at the August 18 meeting.

4. PRESENTATIONS

Item 4A: Proclamation Honoring the Sonoma Valley Volunteer Firefighters’ Association in Recognition of Over Thirty-Five Years of Presenting the Annual 4th of July Fireworks Display

Mayor Rouse read aloud a proclamation recognizing the many years of service by the Sonoma Valley Volunteer Firefighters’ Association in putting on the annual 4th of July fireworks display. President Tom Deely thanked the Council and the community for their support. He stated that Sonoma’s was probably the only fireworks display in California totally funded by private contributions. Rebecca Hermosillo, Constituent Services Representative for Congressman Mike Thompson, also presented a certificate of appreciation to the men.

Item 4B: Proclamation Recognizing Lexy Fridell

Mayor Rouse read aloud a proclamation recognizing local talent Lexy Fridell and congratulated her on her success in theater.

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 July 7, 2014 City Council Meeting.

Item 5C: Adoption of a resolution approving the granting of an easement to Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) for overhead utility line facilities to serve the Maysonnave Cottage located at 289 First Street East, Sonoma. (Res. 35-2014)

Item 5D: Adopt resolution approving the Final Parcel Map for the 2-lot Parcel Map at 1151 Broadway known as Parcel Map No. 440. (Res. No. 36-2014)

Item 5E: Authorization to execute and file a Notice of Completion for the Sonoma City Hall Bell Tower Repair Project.

Item 5F: Approval of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Sonoma Authorizing Investment of Monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund. (Res. No. 39-2014)

Item 5G: Approval of the allocation of free days use at the Sonoma Veteran’s Memorial Building as requested by the American Legion Jack London Post #489 (Dance for the Troops), American Legion Jack London Post #489 (Sonoma Bar Battle), Native Sons of the Golden West (Surf & Turf Dinner), Valley of the Moon Amateur Radio Club (Hamfest), and Historic Parks Association (Volunteer Appreciation Dinner).

Item 5H: Approval of a Resolution titled “Credit Card Participant’s Non-Profit Organization Resolutions” for Participation in Merchant Banking Services with West America Bank. (Res. No. 37-2014)

Mayor Rouse announced that he would recuse from voting on Item 5D because he owned the subject property. The public comment period was opened and closed with none received. It was moved by Clm. Barbose, seconded by Clm. Cook, to approve the consent calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously, Rouse absent for item 5D.

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

Item 6A: Approval of the portions of the Minutes of the July 7, 2014 City Council meeting pertaining to the Successor Agency.

The public comment period was opened and closed with none received. It was moved by Clm. Gallian, seconded by Clm. Barbose, to approve the consent calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

7. PUBLIC HEARING

Item 7A: Discussion, consideration, and possible action on a draft amendment to the Management Plan for the Montini Preserve to allow leashed dogs on trails with the Preserve, including consideration of a resolution adopting an initial study/mitigated negative declaration and making findings as required under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planning Director Goodison reported that on May 19, 2014, the City Council conducted a preliminary review of a draft amendment to the Management Plan for the Montini Preserve that would have the effect of allowing leashed dogs on trails within the Preserve. Accompanying the amendment was a draft initial study, prepared to evaluate the potential environmental effects of the amendment and identify any needed mitigation measures. With a vote of 4-1, Councilmember Rouse dissenting, the Council directed staff to circulate the initial study for review and comment. In accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the initial study was circulated for review and the agency comment period closed. The initial study, along with all of the comments received, was now before the City Council for consideration along with the Management Plan amendment itself. As required by CEQA, the City Council must complete the environmental review process before it can take action to forward the amendment to the Management Plan to the Open Space District. The initial study concluded that the potentially significant impacts associated with the proposed amendment could be reduced to less than significant levels with the implementation of identified mitigation measures. If the City Council concurred with that finding, the Council could adopt a mitigated negative declaration. It should be noted that a number of commentators took issue with that finding and the Council should weigh these comments in its decision making process. All written comments received on the initial study had been provided in the agenda packet.

Goodison went on to report that the amendment process was separate from the ultimate action that the Council would need to take to authorize dogs on trails within the preserve. The amendment of the Management Plan would give the Council the option, but would not in itself institute any change, which could only occur through an amendment to the Municipal Code. The issue of western access represented a complicating factor, since the portion of the trail that connected to Fourth Street West crossed the Vallejo Home State Park, as allowed by a revocable license. Under State law, dogs were prohibited on trails within State Parks and the District Superintendent had stated that regardless of any mitigation measures that the City may propose, if leashed dogs were allowed on trails within the Montini Preserve, the agreement allowing access though the State Parks property would be terminated. The Recreation Covenant between the Open Space District and the City required that, in the event the connection through the State Parks property was lost, the City would design and implement an alternative western access route within five years. This could be accomplished by developing a trail segment on the pasture property or by working with State Parks to implement a lot line adjustment that would enable the existing western access to be retained. With regard to the lot-line adjustment concept, State Parks had emphasized that even if this option were available, it would take a considerable amount of time to implement, with no guaranteed outcome. All costs associated with this process would be borne by the City.

Planning Director Goodison stated that staff's recommended action was that the City Council adopt the resolution making findings for a mitigated negative declaration and forward the draft amendment along with any revisions deemed necessary by the Council to the Open Space District for review and consideration of adoption.

Mayor Rouse invited comments from the public. The following persons spoke in favor of moving ahead with the process to allow leashed dogs on the Montini Preserve: Rich Lee, Ellen Brandley, Jennifer Hainstock, Rachel Hundley (but only for a trial period), and Bob Edwards. The following persons did not support allowing dogs on the Montini Preserve: Fred Allebach, Lynn Clary, Lisa Summers, Jacqueline Sawyer, Joanna Kemper, and Rosemarie Pedranzini. When there were no other persons wishing to speak Mayor Rouse closed the public comment portion of the hearing.

Clm. Barbose stated that those who were against allowing dogs on Montini were ignoring all the other agencies and parks that allow dogs. He felt the proposed mitigation measures were adequate and the Council would have the opportunity to correct any problems at a later date. It was moved by Clm. Barbose, seconded by Clm. Brown, to adopt the resolution entitled A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SONOMA ADOPTING AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM, PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT AND APPROVING FOR SUBMISSION TO THE SONOMA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT AN AMENDMENT TO THE MONTINI OPEN SPACE PRESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN. The motion carried four to one, Mayor Rouse dissenting.

RECESS: The meeting recessed from 7:20 to 7:27 p.m.

8. REGULAR CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL

Item 8A: Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on the Sonoma Valley Health and Recreation Association Request for Funding for the Community Swimming Pool Property Purchase.

Mayor Rouse announced that he and Clm. Brown were Boardmembers for the Sonoma Valley Health and Recreation Association and would have to recuse themselves. Assistant City Attorney Nebb explained that their conflict was a common law conflict that dealt with participation in contracts and unlike other types of recusals; the Mayor and Clm. Brown were not required to leave the room during the discussion of the item. Mayor Rouse handed the gavel to Mayor Pro Tem Cook and he and Clm. Brown stepped down from the dais.

City Manager Giovanatto reported that the City Council had supported the concept of a community swimming pool for several years and had made it a stated Goal of the Council since 2009 to "Support a Community Swimming Pool facility". In 2011, Council took a more formalized approach in appointing (current) Mayor Rouse and Councilmember Brown as liaisons to the SVHRA to monitor the progress of discussions on the development of an aquatic center. The most recent progress by the SVHRA was the potential purchase of the property known as "Paul's Resort" located on Verano Avenue which required that fund-raising efforts meet an estimated \$1.7M to close escrow by August 19. SVHRA submitted a request for funding in the amount of \$500,000 to complete the first phase of funding level necessary to close escrow on the property. This amount represented slightly less than 5% of the estimated total project cost of \$10-12 million. Giovanatto then described several funding options Council could utilize if they chose to provide funding to the group.

Mayor Pro Tem Cook invited comments from the public. Paul Favaro, SVHRA President, stated the importance of having a community swimming pool and that they felt this was the perfect location. He stated that they were a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. Their approach would be to design a facility

that would allow partnerships with commercial user groups such as a co-located health club facility. He stated they were approximately \$500,000 short of reaching the \$1.5 million necessary to close escrow on the property and were asking the City for a loan in that amount secured by a deed of trust and forgivable after five years based on continued progress and operation. He stated they had received favorable responses and pledges of support from Sonoma County and its various departments.

The following persons spoke in favor of approving the request for funding: David Eichar, Jennifer Hainstock, Jack Wagner, Carol Engleward, Madolyn Agrimonti, Cheryl Baldwin, Rosemarie Pedranzini, Sam Curtari, Fred Alleback, Valerie Codin, and Cynthia Leonard. Rachel Hundley supported the idea and stated that the Council needed to ensure it was a sound investment based on a financial plan backed by investors. Bob Edwards spoke in favor of a pool and would like to see their financial plan. He suggested that instead of giving them \$500,000 the Council should consider funding admission fees for City residents, which would provide a steady revenue source to help with ongoing expenses. John Kelly supported the pool but thought it should be under City control.

CIm. Barbose stated that it was easy to get excited about a swimming pool but he wanted to be a good steward of the City's money. He and CIm. Cook met with SVHRA Attorney Michael Woods and reached agreement on terms that would address his concerns as well as address their needs. He suggested that the City provide a fifteen year no interest no payment loan secured by a Second Deed of Trust and backed by personal guarantees. Half of the loan could be forgiven based on them providing scholarships or fee waivers for City residents and a future Council could determine what to do about the other half.

CIm. Gallian stated that without a sustainable business plan she was not willing to "build it just to wait for them to come". Using \$500,000 from reserves brought up lots of questions for her. For instance who would be next in line seeking a contribution, where were the matching partnerships? She expressed concern about not having financial details about the project, redevelopment contracts for which funding would be ending, and the City's overall financial future.

Mayor Pro Tem Cook stated he had mixed feelings on the matter but he wanted to see the City be a part of the project. A lengthy discussion ensued between Councilmembers, Attorney Nebb and Attorney Woods regarding potential elements of the loan agreement.

RECESS: The meeting recessed from 8:51 to 8:56 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Cook called the meeting back to order. Attorney Nebb stated that staff suggested bringing this matter back to Council to review the loan documents at a Special Meeting on August 7 at 6:00 p.m. held in the Emergency Operations Center. It was moved by CIm. Barbose, seconded by CIm. Gallian, to direct staff to draw up the documents pursuant to their discussion and bring them back for Council review on August 7. The motion carried unanimously, Rouse and Brown absent.

Item 8B: Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding designation of the voting delegate and alternate for the 2014 League of California Cities Annual Conference.

City Manager Giovanatto reported that the League of California Cities 2014 Annual Conference would be held September 3-5, 2014 at the Los Angeles Convention Center. An important part of the conference is the annual business meeting scheduled for noon on Friday September 5. At that meeting, representatives from each city consider and take action on resolutions that establish League policy. In order for the City of Sonoma to cast a vote at the September 5 annual business meeting, the City Council must designate a Voting Delegate and up to two Alternates. Councilmembers discussed this briefly and determined that none of them would be attending the conference.

Item 8C: Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding a proposed change or changes to the City Council agenda format, requested by Mayor Rouse.

Mayor Rouse stated that he would like to streamline the agenda by moving the first Council Comment section down and incorporate it with the Council Reports and Final Remarks section on the agenda. Discussion ensued and Council reached unanimous consensus to combine the Councilmember comment sections and to move the City Manager Report after Councilmember Comments at the end of the agenda.

9. REGULAR CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY

10. COUNCILMEMBERS’ REPORTS AND FINAL REMARKS

Item 10A: Reports Regarding Committee Activities.

CIm. Barbose reported attendance at the Sonoma County Waste Management Authority meeting.

CIm. Brown reported he and Mayor Rouse had interviewed excellent candidates for the Community Services and Environment Commission.

CIm. Gallian reported on the Sonoma County Transportation Agency and Regional Climate Protection Authority, the Tourism Improvement District and the Visitor Bureau meetings.

Item 10B: Final Councilmembers’ Remarks.

CIm. Barbose stated it was exciting to move forward on the pool project. CIm. Cook stated he would be attending this 30th class reunion and CIm. Gallian announced the City Party on July 29.

11. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Rachel Hundley said she would have a Council Candidate table at Farmers Market.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 p.m. in the memory of David Motta and David Ian Robbins.

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

Gay Johann
Assistant City Manager / City Clerk

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DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

Community Meeting Room, 177 First Street West, Sonoma CA



**Monday, August 18, 2014
5:00 p.m. (Special Meeting in the EOC)
6:00 p.m. (Regular Meeting)**

MINUTES

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

STUDY SESSION

**SS1: Study Session with the Community Services and Environment Commission
Regarding the Special Event Policy**

PRESENT: Councilmembers Barbose, Cook, Brown, Gallian and Mayor Rouse.
Commissioners Blattner, Blum, Frizzell, Kelley, Rateaver, Stuckey and Chairman Petlock.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Giovanatto, Assistant City Manager Johann, Associate
Planner Atkins, Management Analyst Rogers.

Associate Planner Atkins reported that the Community Services and Environment Commission (CSEC) had conducted a thorough review of the Special Event Policy and were recommending some amendments. She described the major changes being recommended. An open dialog between Councilmembers and Commissioners then took place regarding the changes being proposed and various aspects of special events and their impacts on the community.

City Manager Giovanatto explained that CSEC would finalize the proposed revisions to the Special Event Policy at their next meeting and then forward it to the City Council for consideration.

REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Rouse called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Robert Friedman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITY COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Barbose, Brown, Cook, Gallian and Mayor Rouse.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Giovanatto, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Johann, City Attorney Walter, Planning Director Goodison, Finance Director Hilbrants, Public Works Director Takasugi, and Police Chief Sackett.

1. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Larry Barnett questioned if the three-minute speaking limitation was a recommendation or a requirement. Mayor Rouse responded that the three-minute rule applied unless prior authorization had been obtained for additional speaking time.

Jack Wagner spoke about the need for an increased minimum wage.

Don Bandur stated that his prior requests to staff and the City Council that playground facilities be replaced had been ignored. Mayor Rouse invited Mr. Bandur to contact him to discuss the issue.

Rachel Hundley announced she would have a candidate campaign table at Farmers Market and stated that she had been hearing concern from residents about safety issues on 5th Street West.

Paul Watts suggested that the City convert its crosswalks to the Continental Cross Walk style.

Joanne Sanders stated that she supported a swimming pool but did not support the Council using City tax dollars for construction of a pool located outside the City.

Harry Blum, responding to a recent editorial, defended the weekly Tuesday Night Farmers Market on the Plaza.

2. MEETING DEDICATIONS

CIm. Brown dedicated the meeting to former Mayor Jerry Tuller. CIm. Gallian dedicated the meeting to Roger “Deets” Winslow.

3. PRESENTATIONS

Item 3A: Proclamation Recognizing the Redwood Credit Union Upon the Occasion of the Grand Opening of the new Sonoma Branch

Mayor Rouse read aloud the proclamation recognizing Redwood Credit Union’s involvement with and support for the community and acknowledging the grand opening of their new, improved full service branch on West Napa Street. He presented the proclamation to Chief Executive Officer Cynthia Negri and Branch Manager Jose Alvarez who invited all to the Grand Opening celebration on August 28.

Item 3B: Proclamation Recognizing the Sonoma League for Historic Preservation Upon Their 45th Anniversary

Mayor Rouse read aloud the proclamation recognizing the 45th anniversary of the Sonoma League for Historic Preservation and their efforts to educate, promote interest in, and advocate for the preservation of historic buildings and neighborhoods. Boardmembers Barbara Wimmer, Robert Demler, and Charles Bingaman received the proclamation and invited all to attend their August 20th 45th Anniversary Party.

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- Item 4B:** Approval of the Minutes of the July 21 and August 7, 2014 City Council meeting. (July 21 minutes were removed from Consent, see below)
- Item 4C:** Approval of the allocation of free days use at the Sonoma Veteran’s Memorial Building as requested by the Sonoma Community Center (Thanksgiving Dinner, Sonoma Community Center (Fashion Trashion), and Valley of the Moon Lions (Crab Feed).
- Item 4D:** Approval and ratification of the appointment of Fred Allebach to the Community Services and Environment Commission for a two-year term.
- Item 4E:** Approval and ratification of the appointment of Mary Piasta-Valluzzo to the Community Services and Environment Commission for a two-year term.
- Item 4F:** Approval and ratification of the appointment of Alice Liddell as the Alternate for the Community Services and Environment Commission for a two-year term.
- Item 4G:** Adoption of Resolution Extending the Sonoma County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Program. (Res. No. 40-2014)
- Item 4H:** Adoption of Plans and Specifications and Award of Contract to Argonaut Constructors, lowest responsible bidder, for the 2014 Road Rehabilitation and Water Services Replacement Project No. 1401 in the amount of \$736,823.50.
- Item 4I:** Approve the Notice of Completion for the 2014 Citywide Slurry Seal Project No. 1403 Constructed by VSS International, Inc. and Direct the City Clerk to File the Document.

Clm. Barbose removed the July 21 minutes and asked they be carried over to the next meeting. It was moved by Clm. Gallian, seconded by Clm. Barbose, to approve the consent calendar except for the July 21 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

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

- Item 5A:** Approval of the portions of the Minutes of the July 21 and August 7, 2014 City Council meeting pertaining to the Successor Agency.

It was moved by Clm. Gallian, seconded by Clm. Cook, to approve the consent calendar except for the July 21 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

6. PUBLIC HEARING – None Scheduled

7. REGULAR CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL

- Item 7A:** Discussion, consideration and possible action on the adoption of a Resolution declaring the City’s intention to renew the Sonoma Tourism Improvement District (TID) and fixing the time and place of a public meeting and a public hearing thereon and giving notice thereof, and setting the renewal term of the TID.

City Manager Giovanatto reported that the Sonoma Tourism Improvement District (TID) was formed in 2012 for a three-year term for the purpose of funding programs that specifically benefit lodging businesses. The City had maintained a seat on the TID Board since inception and had verified the actions of the Board including expenditure of funds as well as monitoring

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the activities of the contractual marketing services of the Sonoma Valley Visitors Bureau. She stated that they had met their stated goals and objectives in the initial years of formation and were now requesting a renewal of the district for an additional ten-year period. Giovanatto stated that the petition for renewal had been signed by 96% of the lodging establishments. If approved the TID would continue the 2% assessment on all overnight room stays in the City of Sonoma, including all types of lodging; hotels, bed and breakfast inns and vacation rentals for the explicit purpose of "generating room nights" for those members paying into and benefitting from the assessment. The assessments, during the proposed renewal period, would amount to approximately \$550,000 per year in collections; a 25% increase over the initial year of District approval. Under the Management Plan, the TID would continue to reimburse the City for costs related to the collection of the assessments in an amount equal to 1% of the total amount collected.

Giovanatto stated that proposed action before the Council was to determine whether or not to move forward by declaring its intention to renew the TID, and determine whether to renew the TID for 10 years or some period less than the requested 10-year period.

Clm. Gallian stated that she would not be at the October 6 Council meeting and asked that the proposed public hearing date be changed to October 20. City Manager Giovanatto responded that would not be a problem.

Mayor Rouse inquired if there was any data available comparing the City's increased occupancy rates to regional activity. Giovanatto stated she did not have that information.

Mayor Rouse invited comments from the public. David Eichar stated that the only evidence of increased occupancy was the increase in the Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) collections. He said there could be various other reasons for that increase such as the improved economy and the efforts of the Sonoma County Tourism Bureau. Mr. Eichar stated he would like to see additional data on occupancy rates.

Bill Blum, TID Board Member and General Manager of MacArthur Place, stated that a majority of the TID board was present and wanted to thank the City for its support. He said that the best evidence of the success of the TID was in the fact that the City's TOT revenue increased a million dollars in the first two years of its existence. Blum, on behalf of the TID Board, asked the Council to renew it for an additional ten years.

Larry Barnett stated that although the TID seemingly had a positive effect he felt that TIDs represented an unhealthy trend by creating a non-governmental taxing agency responsible only to its Board and not to the citizens. He stated the laws establishing TIDs was a masterful effort to work around anti-trust laws. He pointed out that if the had City raised the TOT rate by 2%, it would have received the \$500,000 into its coffers instantly.

Carla Heine stated that credit needed to be given to the hotels that put a lot of effort into their own marketing strategies.

Clm. Barbose stated that the million-dollar increase in TOT was impressive; that the TID Board was doing its job and he supported its renewal although he felt five years was enough.

Clm. Gallian stated that having the City Manager on the TID Board was a big plus. Clm. Cook asked what would be the benefit of a ten-year renewal over five years. TID Boardmember and Renaissance Lodge General Manager Suzy Hart stated that coming up with a competitive

marketing plan every five years was difficult. She stated that the mid-week marketing piece was what was bringing the occupancy level up to 80%.

Cllm. Brown and Mayor Rouse expressed their support for renewing the TID with Mayor Rouse pointing out that the tourist industry was the City's bread and butter. It was moved by Cllm. Gallian, seconded by Cllm. Cook, to adopt Resolution Number 41-2014 entitled A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Sonoma Declaring Its Intention to Renew the Sonoma Tourism Improvement District (STID) and Fixing the Time and Place of a Public Hearing and a Public Hearing Thereon and Giving Notice Thereof with the date of the public hearing changed to read October 20, 2014. The motion carried unanimously.

Item 7B: Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on the Results of the Vacation Rental Review Program including a Discussion of the City's Existing Ordinance Provisions Regulating Vacation Rentals.

City Manager Giovanatto reported that in October 2013, the Council authorized staff to secure an agreement with MuniServices LLC to conduct an audit of properties within the City limits which were operating as vacation rentals without benefit of registering with the City under the requirements of the Transient Occupancy Tax Ordinance. The process undertaken by MuniServices included researching various data sources to identify vacation rentals including MuniServices' proprietary data warehouse and external internet web sites such as AirBnB and VRBO. As a result of the consultant's work, 46 properties were identified of which 37 required follow-up action by MuniServices and/or the City's Planning Department. Revenue identified through review of financial records submitted by the properties owners included \$36,072 in Transient Occupancy Tax Revenue and \$4,815 of Business License Tax Revenue. MuniServices received 45% of the attained revenue and the City netted \$22,488. Giovanatto stated that staff was seeking direction from the Council on whether to retain the services of MuniServices to continue the review process on a limited bi-annual basis.

Planning Director Goodison reported on the land use and zoning implications of the issue and explained that the Planning Department had begun reaching out to the effected property owners that had been identified in the audit.

Mayor Barnett invited comments from the public. Larry Barnett stated that, while on the City Council in 1999, he championed the City's vacation rental regulations and the Preserving Sonoma Committee research had disclosed how big the unregulated vacation rental problem was. He was happy to see the City follow up and suggested consideration of adding a provision for rooming houses.

Joanne Sanders stated that she was experiencing seeing lots of people in her neighborhood on East Napa Street that she did not recognize. One neighbor added a pool house and she had noticed an increase in the number of cars and people which she felt was an indication that the pool house was being rented out. She stated it was important for people to know who they were living next to, who their neighbors were.

Patricia Cullinan stated she found it interesting that the City believed the numbers that had been provided by the illegal establishments and she questioned if they were following all the health regulations.

Cathy Grant suggested that there be some type of vacation rental disclosure provided to people when purchasing real estate.

Bill Blum stated that the TID worked in partnership with MuniServices in preparing the audit. He suggested that vacation rentals should only be allowed in commercial areas, not in established neighborhoods.

Rachel Hundley stated her support for enforcing the rules and that it made sense to outsource the task of the audit.

Liza Graves, Beautiful Places, stated she specialized in vacation rentals and urged the Council to enforce its regulations because lack of enforcement created an unfair business environment.

David Eichar stated that he owned a vacation rental located in Boyes Hot Springs and he did not feel vacation rentals competed with hotels because they were utilized by families desiring places with kitchens. He felt the City did not need an outside resource to conduct the audit.

Pat Collins stated that she rented out a bedroom in her home and had submitted about \$3,000 to the City. She said there should be a separate category for that type of rental.

Jeannie Allen reported her history of operating a vacation rental and stated that they would like to be able to rent out a bedroom because they like having people in their home. She said there would be no bigger impact to her neighborhood than if they were having friends over for a visit.

Joan Geary stated there were many reasons for not allowing vacation rentals and she commended the City for its regulations.

Morgan Sanders stated that the fabric of the community was being frayed by the transiency problem created by vacation rentals. He urged the City to enforce its ordinance and put some fines in place for those who violate the rules.

Anna Frizell stated that affordable housing needed to be a part of the consideration.

Mayor Rouse commented that he too had experienced packs of strangers in his neighborhood and stated his support for enforcing the regulations and keeping neighborhoods free of short-term renters. He supported keeping MuniServices on board and would like to look into an enforcement officer. Clm. Barbose stated he would like to see consideration of an additional category that would permit the renting of a room and he agreed with the idea of an enforcement officer. Councilmembers Gallian, Brown and Cook also agreed. Mayor Rouse concluded by stating that the Council agreed to continue the contract with MuniServices, consider a code enforcement officer, and consider adding a rooming house category to the regulations.

RECESS: The meeting recessed from 8:22 to 8:30

Item 7C: Approval of a Resolution declaring a Stage 2 Water Shortage, responding to the State's Drought Emergency Water Conservation Regulations.

Public Works Director Takasugi reported that on July 15, 2014, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted Article 22.5 entitled "Drought Emergency Water Conservation Regulations" which made drought-related findings and imposed state-wide mandatory requirements on urban water suppliers. He said the City of Sonoma was an Urban Water Supplier with nearly 4,500 water service connections. Takasugi stated that although it had been a drought year, the City was not desperate due Lake Sonoma's water level. He described the

water restrictions that would be implemented if Council declared a Stage 2 Water Shortage and recommended that turf irrigation be limited to Mondays and Thursdays.

Mayor Rouse invited comments from the public. Bob Felder stated that the City asked its citizens time and time again to restrict their water usage and he felt it was time to prohibit new water connections until the current crisis was over. He also said the City should impose a water impact fee on new construction for funding necessary water infrastructure.

Jack Wagner supported the proposed action and stated there should be a fine for those who did not comply. He felt the City should look at and encourage grey water usage.

Pete Segre asked how the turf watering regulation would be enforced and expressed doubt that would achieve the desired result. Mayor Rouse responded it would be complaint driven.

Rachel Hundley supported the restrictions and said the City should be a leader in conservation efforts.

Michele Sabine stated that the long awaited for improved water bill promised by the City had not yet materialized. She said people would be able to accomplish better conservation if they had more usage information.

CIm. Cook stated the City should drill a well on the Plaza and look for other water storage solutions.

CIm. Barbose stated he did not feel the City was doing enough, that it should be proactive going forward. He said that installation of a grey water system was easy and pointed out that Sonoma was the only city that required a permit to do so. He agreed with a well on the Plaza and that new hookups should be restricted.

CIm. Gallian stated there was a lot more the City could do through partnerships with the Water Agency. It was moved by CIm. Gallian, seconded by CIm. Brown, to adopt Resolution Number 42-2014 entitled A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Sonoma Declaring a Mandatory Stage 2 Water Shortage Alert. The motion carried unanimously.

Item 7D: Consider adopting Resolution Approving (1) Central Landfill and Former Landfills Settlement Agreement (“Settlement Agreement”) with County of Sonoma, (2) Waste Delivery Agreement with Republic Services of Sonoma County, Inc. (“Republic”), (3) Franchised Hauler’s Agreement to Be Bound by City’s Waste Delivery Commitment with Republic and Sonoma Garbage Collectors, Inc., and (4) Committed Cities Contingent Liability Fund Agreement with other cities; and Making CEQA Findings and Certifications that: (a) the Central Site FEIR and Reopening Addendum approved by the County of Sonoma in 1998 and 2013, respectively, were considered by the Sonoma City Council in approving the above-mentioned documents and adequately address the environmental impacts of the improvements to the Central Landfill Site for continued operations, incorporates necessary mitigation measures and adopts appropriate statements of overriding consideration with respect to significant environmental impacts related to the operation and future expansion of the Central Landfill Site; (b) those environmental documents have adequately reviewed any potentially significant impacts associated with the activities proposed under the

Waste Delivery Agreement and Franchised Hauler's Agreement to Be Bound by City's Waste Delivery Commitment, and with the mitigation measures adopted by the County will not have a significant environmental impact other than those for which the County adopted statements of overriding consideration which said statements the City Council re-adopts as its own; and (c) the Settlement Agreement and Contingent Liability Fund Agreement are exempt from CEQA review because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activities contemplated thereunder may have a significant impact on the environment.

City Attorney Walter reported that every other Sonoma County city, except Petaluma, would be adopting similar documents. He stated that after nine years of negotiations, the staffs and attorneys of the cities of Sonoma County and the County of Sonoma were recommending entering into a Settlement Agreement and ancillary agreements to resolve the competing claims the agencies had been asserting over the assignment of liability for the costs of closing the County's Central Landfill site, and attendant post-closure costs, all of which were estimated to amount to \$52.1 million. The County had already entered into a Master Operations Agreement with Republic to operate the Central Landfill Site, except for the composting and household hazardous waste operations, and in return Republic had agreed to pay for those costs. However, that Master Operations Agreement was contingent on the County entering into the Settlement Agreement with the cities, and the cities entering a Waste Delivery Agreement ("WDA") with Republic under which the cities agree to commit their respective waste streams to the Central Landfill Site for 25 years. Additionally, the cities were proposing to enter into a Committed Cities Contingent Liability Fund agreement under which \$5/ton in gate fees would be collected by Republic and set aside during the life of the WDA to cover any contingent liabilities arising out of the operations, closure and post-closure of the Central Landfill and Former Urban Landfill sites not otherwise paid for by Republic and/or the County.

The public comment period was opened and closed with none received. It was moved by Clm. Barbose, seconded by Clm. Brown, to adopt Resolution Number 43-2014 entitled RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SONOMA APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE FOLLOWING AGREEMENTS: 1) CENTRAL LANDFILL AND FORMER LANDFILLS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH COUNTY OF SONOMA; 2) WASTE DELIVERY AGREEMENT WITH REPUBLIC SERVICES OF SONOMA COUNTY INC.; 3) FRANCHISED HAULER'S AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND BY CITY'S WASTE DELIVERY COMMITMENT WITH REPUBLIC AND SGC; AND 4) COMMITTED CITIES' CONTINGENT LIABILITY FUND AGREEMENT WITH OTHER COMMITTED CITIES. The motion carried unanimously.

8. REGULAR CALENDAR – CITY COUNCIL AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY

9. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Councilmembers Cook and Brown announced their office hours. Clm. Brown reported on the Oversight Board and Mayor and Councilmembers' meetings. Clm. Barbose reported on a meeting of Sonoma Clean Power. Clm. Gallian reported on a meeting of the Water Advisory Committee and announced she had received a scholarship to attend the Economics for Sustainability conference which was why she would not be in attendance at the October 6 Council meeting. Mayor Rouse reported on the Facilities Committee Meeting.

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

City Manager Giovanatto announced the following: Council would hold a special study session on August 25, 2014 for review of the water rate study. The Cultural and Fine Arts Commission was seeking nominations for the Treasure Artist of the Year Award. There was a vacancy on the Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee. The City had begun phase two of the sidewalk sawcutting project.

11. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Jack Wagner reported hearing fears from a retirement community that Sonoma would experience what was going on in Ferguson Missouri. He inquired if the Police Department had obtained any used military equipment.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING CLOSED SESSION

The public comment period opened and closed with none received.

13. CLOSED SESSION

At 9:21 p.m. the City Council, with all members present, convened in closed session described below. Also present was City Manager Giovanatto and Planning Director Goodison.

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8. Property: Montini Property, AP# 018-021-006, 018-011-017, 018-031-003, 127-051-105 and 127-051-106, Sonoma. Agency Negotiators: Planning Director David Goodison, City Attorney Jeff Walter & City Manager Carol Giovanatto. Negotiating Parties: Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District. Under Negotiation: Potential amendment of Transfer Agreement under which property is to be conveyed to the City.

14. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION & REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

At 9:40 p.m. the Council reconvened in open session and Mayor Rouse announced that no action had been taken.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m. in the memory of Jerry Tuller and Roger "Deets" Winslow.

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

Gay Johann
Assistant City Manager / City Clerk

**SONOMA CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING**

Community Meeting Room, 177 First Street West, Sonoma CA



Monday, August 25, 2014

6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

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

1. OPENING

Mayor Pro Tem Cook called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. DeAnna Hilbrants led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITY COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Barbose, Brown, Gallian and Mayor Pro Tem Cook.
ABSENT: Mayor Rouse.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Giovanatto, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Johann, Public Works Director Takasugi, and City Finance Director Hilbrants.

Referencing the August 24, 2014 3:20 a.m. 6.0 earthquake centered in Napa Valley, Clm. Gallian thanked all the first responders, public employees and others who were there to assist the people in need following the earthquake.

2. STUDY SESSION

Public Works Director provided an overview of the City's water system. Consultant David Spilman presented the Draft 2014 Water Rate Study which included details of the Capital Projects, rate study assumptions, preliminary rate recommendations and impacts to water customers.

Mayor Pro Tem Cook invited comments from the public. Madolyn Agrimonti stated that it would not be possible to force the customers who do not care how much they have to pay to conserve water.

Clm. Barbose summarized Council's direction to staff: Soften the effect of proposed conservation incentive on multifamily; go with four tiers; slightly tweak the increase for tier four and soften tiers one and two. The other Councilmembers stated their agreement.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 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 day of 2014.

Gay Johann
Assistant City Manager / City Clerk



City of Sonoma
City Council
Agenda Item Summary

City Council Agenda Item: 4C

Meeting Date: 09/03/2014

Department

Administration

Staff Contact

Gay Johann, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk

Agenda Item Title

Approval and ratification of the reappointment of George McKale as City Historian for a two-year term.

Summary

Council created the voluntary position of City Historian in February 2008 and per the resolution establishing the position, the terms of service were for two years. George McKale was appointed as the City Historian on March 19, 2008 and reappointed again in 2010 and 2012.

Mayor Rouse has nominated George McKale for reappointment as City Historian for an additional two-year term ending September 3, 2016.

Recommended Council Action

Ratification by the City Council.

Alternative Actions

Council discretion.

Financial Impact

N/A

Environmental Review

- Environmental Impact Report
- Negative Declaration
- Exempt
- Not Applicable

Status

- Approved/Certified
 - No Action Required
 - Action Requested
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Attachments:

None

cc:

George McKale via email



City of Sonoma
City Council
Agenda Item Summary

City Council Agenda Item: 4D

Meeting Date: 09/03/2014

Department

Planning and Community Services

Staff Contact

Wendy Atkins, Associate Planner

Agenda Item Title

Adoption of a resolution approving the use of City Streets by Sonoma Valley High School on October 17, 2014 to conduct the annual Homecoming Parade.

Summary

Special event permit applications that include requests for the closure of City streets in conjunction with the event must obtain City Council approval of the related street closure. Because the event involves use of SR 12, the applicant must also obtain permission and an encroachment permit from Caltrans. The Sonoma Valley High School has scheduled their annual homecoming parade for October 17, 2014 between the hours of 12:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. The parade route will begin on Broadway (State Route 12) at the High School and end in the horseshoe of the Plaza. Details of the requested street closures are specified in the attached application. This is a recurring Plaza event, prior year street use applications have been approved by Council, and the event has occurred in the Plaza without issue or controversy.

Recommended Council Action

Adopt the resolution approving the use of city streets and recommending Caltrans approval subject to the following conditions:

1. Sonoma Valley High School must obtain an appropriate Permit from the State of California Divisions of Highways;
 2. Sonoma Valley High School must submit, to the City, an insurance certificate in compliance with the City of Sonoma Facility Use Insurance Requirements prior to the event;
 3. Sonoma Valley High School must meet with the Police Chief and Public Works Parks Supervisor and Street Supervisor at least two weeks prior to the event to finalize traffic plans and submit a written request for special barricading;
 4. Sonoma Valley High School must provide adequate supervision of the event to ensure that the Plaza is left in its pre-event condition and that all Plaza Use conditions and restrictions are adhered to.
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Alternative Actions

1. Delay action pending receipt of additional information
 2. Council discretion
 3. Deny the request
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Financial Impact

N/A

Environmental Review

- Environmental Impact Report
- Negative Declaration
- Exempt
- Not Applicable

Status

- Approved/Certified
 - No Action Required
 - Action Requested
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Attachments:

1. Plaza and Street Use Application
 2. Resolution
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cc: Sonoma Valley High School
Attn: Karling Skoglund, Activity Director, 20000 Broadway Sonoma, CA 95476

CITY OF SONOMA

RESOLUTION NO. – 2014

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND CONSENTING
TO THE USE OF CITY STREETS
Sonoma Valley High School Homecoming Parade**

WHEREAS, Sonoma Valley High School has applied to the State of California to conduct the Sonoma Valley High School Homecoming Parade, on State property; and

WHEREAS, the Sonoma Valley High School Homecoming Parade will temporarily impede and restrict the free passage of State Route 12 on October 17, 2014 between Sonoma Valley High School, 20000 Broadway and the Downtown Sonoma Plaza between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Sonoma approves and consents to the proposed Sonoma Valley High School Homecoming Parade and recommends approval of and consents to the proposed restriction of State Highway Route 12 upon terms and conditions deemed appropriate and necessary by the State of California, Department of Transportation, subject to the following conditions:

1. Sonoma Valley High School must obtain an appropriate Permit from the State of California Divisions of Highways;
2. Sonoma Valley High School must submit, to the City, an insurance certificate in compliance with the City of Sonoma Facility Use Insurance Requirements prior to the event;
3. Sonoma Valley High School must meet with the Police Chief and Public Works Director at least two weeks prior to the event to finalize traffic plans and submit a written request for special barricading;
4. Sonoma Valley High School must provide adequate supervision of the event to ensure that the Plaza is left in its pre-event condition and that all Plaza Use conditions and restrictions are adhered to.

The foregoing Resolution was duly adopted this day 3rd day of September 2014, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

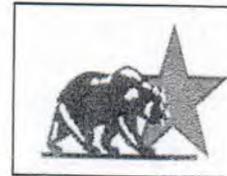
Tom Rouse, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gay Johann
Assistant City Manager / City Clerk



City of Sonoma
 No. 1 The Plaza
 Sonoma CA 95476



PERMIT APPLICATION
 FOR USE OF CITY STREETS

Application Fee: \$375.00
 (Encro 100 30203)

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Note: Events utilizing any portion of Highway 12 must also obtain permission from Caltrans, District 4, 111 Grand Avenue, Oakland 94612, (510) 286-4404.

Name of Applicant: Karling Skoglund

Name of Sponsoring Organization: SVHS Sonoma Valley High School

Address: 20000 Broadway Sonoma CA 95476

Telephone Numbers: Day: (707) 496-0056 Night: _____ Fax: _____ Email: kskoglund@sonomavalley.k12.ca.us

Name of Event: Homecoming Parade & Rally

Type of Event - Mark Appropriate Box

- Run or Walk
- Rally or Assembly
- Parade
- Other _____

Date(s) of Event: Oct. 17th 2014

Street Closure(s) Requested:

Broadway between Newcome E. Napa St. from 12:30 am/pm to 2:00 am/pm
 _____ between _____ and _____ from _____ am/pm to _____ am/pm
 _____ between _____ and _____ from _____ am/pm to _____ am/pm

Complete Description of Event. Using additional sheets if necessary, describe the number of participants; duration of the event; the number, type, size and material of all entries including any floats or banners; the number and type of animals and a plan for cleaning up after them; any seating being provided; and Judges Tables. Attach a map of the route to be used and indicating the location of the staging area, announcer's stand, barricade placement, vendors, banners, signs and booths, etc.:

The event is the annual Sonoma Valley High School Parade and rally. The parade begins at the high school and travels north on Broadway to the Plaza horseshoe. The floats then proceed to Arnold Field. No street closures required.

Estimated Daily Attendance: 500 people

If a Sound Amplification is be used, describe the type, location, purpose and hours of use: 2 speaker sound system on floats and stage @ plaza. Use will be from 12:30 p.m. until 2 p.m. and will consist of music & microphones.

General Conditions of Approval:

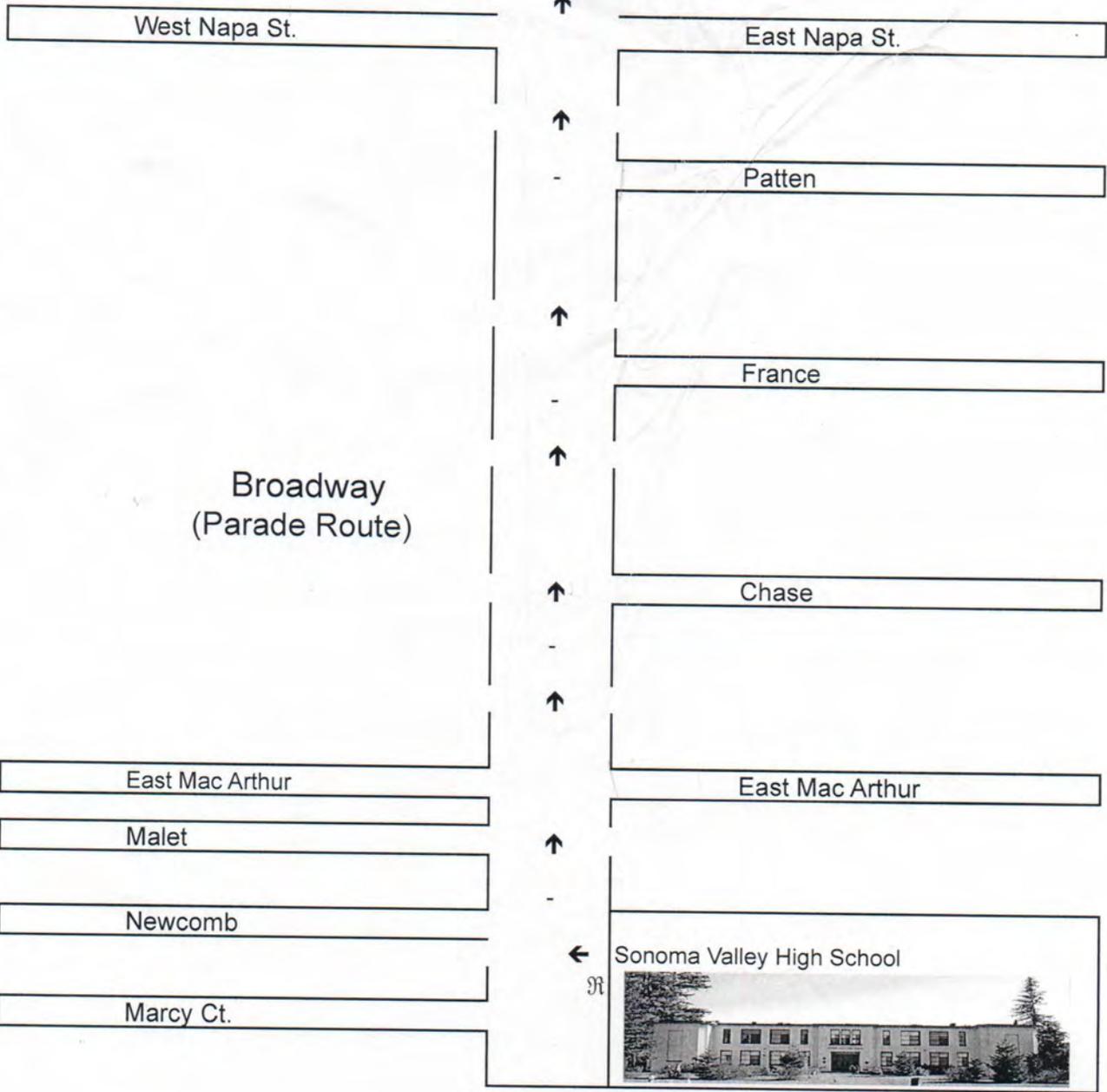
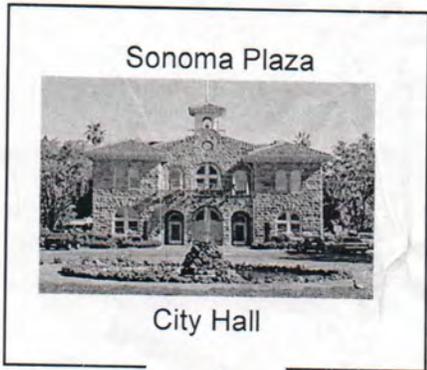
Applicant is responsible for obtaining permission from Caltrans for use of any portion of Highway 12. All facilities placed upon a City street are subject to continuing safety approval and inspection by the appropriate City departments. A clear path of a minimum width of 20 feet through the length of the portion of roadway being used must be maintained for emergency vehicle access. Obstructions shall not be placed along the curb or the roadway within 10 feet of any fire hydrant. All facilities used for the event shall be removed from City streets immediately after the close of the event. All costs for barricading, traffic control, street sweeping and clean up shall be borne by the applicant. Applicant will be required to submit a deposit equal to the amount estimated by the City for services performed by City personnel in relation to the event. The deposit is due no later than two weeks before the first day of the event. If actual costs exceed the amount of the deposit, applicant will be required to pay the difference. If actual costs are less than the deposit, the excess will be returned to applicant or applied to any other fees or charges owed to the City. Applicant must provide a certificate of insurance and a policy endorsement naming the City of Sonoma as additional insured as described in the City of Sonoma Facility Use Insurance Requirements.

I do hereby acknowledge and affirm that all information contained herein is accurate to the best of my knowledge and agree to assume full responsibility and liability for and indemnify, and suits for or by reason of injury to any person or damages to any property of the parties hereto or of the third persons for any and all cause or causes whatsoever on in any way connected with the holding of said event or any act or omission or thing in any manner related to said event and its operation irrespective of negligence, actual or claimed, upon the part of the City, its agents or employees.


 Applicant's Signature _____

7/23/14
 Date _____

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| For City Use Only | |
| POLICE DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION: | <input type="checkbox"/> Approve <input type="checkbox"/> Deny |
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| PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION: | <input type="checkbox"/> Approve <input type="checkbox"/> Deny |
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| Date Approved by City Council _____ | |





CITY OF SONOMA
City Council
Agenda Item Summary

City Council Agenda Item: 4E

Meeting Date: 09/03/2014

Department

Administration

Staff Contact

Carol Giovanatto, City Manager

Agenda Item Title

Approval of a request for a full refund of the fees paid for the 2014 Homecoming event and approve a waiver of fees for future years, until and unless, there is a dramatic change or increase to the size and scope of the event.

Summary

Sonoma Valley High School has requested a waiver (and refund) of the fees charged by the City in association with the annual Homecoming Parade which will occur on October 17, 2014. The event includes a parade procession from the High School to the Plaza, temporary parking of floats on the horseshoe pavement and use of the Plaza Amphitheater for a rally. The fees charged by the City include \$229 application fee, \$400 Plaza rental fee, \$93 Maintenance Fee and \$502 Street Use fee for a total of \$1,224.00. The High School was required to submit the fee with the application pursuant to our event process policy and are asking for a refund of the total amount paid - \$1,224.00.

The authority to waive fees lies with the City Council. Staff does not have that authority; however, it was noted that in some of the previous years the High School was required to pay the fees and in other years they were not. Minutes from the September 20, 2006 Council meeting reflect that the Council approved a fee waiver at the request of the School District for the 2006 Homecoming. Staff recommends approval of the request for a full refund of the fees paid for the 2014 Homecoming and a waiver of Street Use and Plaza Use fees for future years until and unless there is a dramatic change or increase to the size and scope of the event for these reasons:

- Sonoma Valley High School is a governmental organization
- The fees create a financial hardship for student programs
- The Homecoming event will have no significant impacts on City facilities

Sonoma Valley High School will still be required to submit applicable applications and work with City staff in planning the Homecoming Event. They will also be required to comply with the City's standard insurance requirements.

Recommended Council Action

Approve the request for a refund of the fees paid for the 2014 Homecoming event and approve a waiver of fees into the future, until and unless, there is a dramatic change or increase to the size and scope of the event.

Alternative Actions

Do not approve.

Approve only a partial refund and/or waiver of fees.

Approve the fee waiver for a specific time frame; i.e. ten years.

Financial Impact

The resources provided by the City in sponsorship of the event are provided for within the Department's current budget allocations without a reduction of services.

Environmental Review

Status

- Environmental Impact Report
- Negative Declaration
- Exempt
- Not Applicable

- Approved/Certified
- No Action Required
- Action Requested

Attachments:

1. SVHS Homecoming Event Application

Alignment with Council Goals:

Balancing City Character – Support for this event will enable the High School to continue a long standing Sonoma tradition.

cc: K. Skoglund



Sonoma Valley High School

Kathleen Hawing, Principal
Jessica Hutchinson, Vice Principal
Andrew Ryan, Vice Principal
Paul Tuohy, Vice Principal

City Council
City of Sonoma
No. 1 The Plaza
Sonoma CA 95476

Council Members:

On behalf of the Sonoma Valley High School Administration, student body, and faculty members, I respectfully request a fee waiver for use of the city streets, and plaza amphitheater on Friday, October 17th 2014. On this day, the Sonoma Valley High School will be conducting their annual homecoming parade with the cumulating spirit rally that precedes the homecoming game held on Friday night at Arnold Field.

The parade and plaza rally during homecoming week has been a tradition for many years at the high school, and has always gathered community members in a display of small town pride that rivals anywhere else with a small, close knit, and supportive community. While many who attend this rally are high school students, the number of parents, extended family, local businesses, and even elementary students is an enormous presence at this event. Those who line the streets to be part of our school culture and to support the students are truly inspiring.

The goal of the homecoming parade and plaza rally is to motivate, and inspire the students, teachers, staff, and community to be enthusiastic, prideful, and contributing members to our high school, and town culture. This event is a non-profit activity held for the students and community members of Sonoma. Money that the ASB has, was raised by the students, from students, and to be used for students. This money is spent on community outreach and school culture. Having to pay for these fees will result in another aspect of the Sonoma Dragon experience being lost.

In closing, I urge you to please grant this fee waiver. As a new teacher at Sonoma Valley High School, I have marveled at the support of the community, and the small town pride that brings so many out to see this event. I would hate to see it cancelled or moved to a different location.

Sincerely,

Karling Skoglund
Student Activities Director
Sonoma Valley High School



City of Sonoma
No. 1 The Plaza
Sonoma CA 95476

(707) 933-2229 or (707) 938-3332

PLAZA PERMIT APPLICATION



NAME OF EVENT: Homecoming Parade & Rally EVENT DATE(S): Oct 17th 2014

Sponsoring Organization: Sonoma Valley High School

New Event Returning Event Non Profit Tax-exempt organization (Tax Exempt letter required)

Event Contact Person Karling Skaglund Title: SVHS Activity Director

Mailing Address: 20000 Broadway Sonoma CA 95476
Street or P.O. Box City State Zip

Daytime phone: (707) 496-0056 Email: KSkaglund@sonomavalley.k12.ca.us

Plaza Area(s) Requested

SE Section NW Section Amphitheater Horseshoe Pavement
 NE Section SW Section Rear Parking Lot

Hours of Use (Include Set-up & Clean-up)

| EVENT DATES: YEAR: 2014 | Start Time - Set-Up: | Event Start Time: | Event End Time: | End Time - Tear Down & Clean-up: | Estimated Attendance: |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>Oct 17 2014</u> | <u>5 a.m.</u> | <u>12:00 p.m.</u> | <u>2:00 p.m.</u> | <u>3 p.m.</u> | <u>500</u> |
| Date(s): | | | | | |
| Date(s): | <u>10-15 min</u> | | <u>1/2 hr</u> | <u>Rally</u> | |

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY STAFF:

| Rental Fees Per Day: | Maintenance Fees: | Damage Deposits: |
|--|--|---|
| # of Days x Fee | # of Areas x total event hours | # of Days Fee x Area / Section |
| ___ x SE Section \$400 \$ _____ | ___ x \$93 (1- 12 hrs) \$ <u>93</u> | ___ x (SE Section) x \$200 = \$ _____ |
| ___ x NE Section \$300 \$ Closed 2014 | ___ x \$187 (12-24 hrs) \$ _____ | ___ x NE Section Closed |
| ___ x SW Section \$300 \$ _____ | ___ x \$312 (24-36 hrs) \$ _____ | ___ X (SW Section) x \$200 \$ _____ |
| ___ x NW Section \$300 \$ _____ | ___ x \$500 (36-48 hrs) \$ _____ | ___ X (NW Section) x \$200 \$ _____ |
| <u>1</u> X \$200 Amphitheater \$ <u>200</u> | ___ x \$750 (> 48 hrs) \$ _____ | ___ X (Amphitheater) X \$200 \$ _____ |
| ___ X \$200 Horseshoe Pavement \$ <u>200</u> | MAINTENANCE FEE: \$ <u>93</u> | ___ X (Rear Parking) X \$200 \$ _____ |
| ___ X \$300 Rear Parking \$ _____ | Reserved Parking: \$276 + \$20 per # of spaces per day. Requested: | ___ X (Amphitheater) X \$200 \$ _____ |
| ___ \$98 Barricade: Plaza Entrance \$ _____ | PARKING FEE: \$ <u>/</u> | REFUNDABLE DAMAGE DEPOSIT: \$ <u>/</u> |
| RENTAL FEE: \$ <u>400</u> | | |

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|---|----------|---|--|
| Application Fee Small scale vs. large scale event \$229-\$505 | \$ 229 | Park 100-30702 | Insurance is required & must be submitted <u>two weeks</u> prior to the event. |
| Rental Fee | \$ 400 | Park 100-30702 | Insurance provided by your organization: |
| Maintenance Fee | \$ 93 | Park 100-30702 | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Damage Deposit | \$ / | 750-22950 | |
| Parking | \$ / | | Other: |
| ALCOHOL PERMIT: \$208.00 Attached form) | \$ / | Park 100 30702 | Gales Creek www.galescreek.com or |
| STREET USE PERMIT: \$502.00 Attached form) | \$ 502 | Encro 100 30203 | RVNA http://www.rvnuccio.com/specialevent.html |
| Business License Organizer * Plus Day Fee for Vendors ** | / | \$187 * for organizer for-profit; \$23** per vendor per event | |
| TOTAL DUE: | \$ 1,324 | <u>Application is incomplete until all fees are paid.</u> | |

PD Full
8/13/14

Approved as a small scale event, no further review necessary: Date: _____ Approved by: _____ # 19940

PROVIDE A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF THE EVENT:

PLAZA EVENT MAP: On the attached Plaza map indicate the location of all major features (including all temporary structures, fences) and activities. For large events use a scale of 1 inch equals 20 feet (20" x 25" maps are available).

- | |
|---|
| Include on the map – location, dimensions and type of structure: |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canopies, tents, booths, stages, platforms, beer gardens, cooking areas, tables, chairs, vehicles, trailers, trash containers, dumpsters, generators, portable toilets, barricades, first aid facilities or ambulances exit locations, transportation buses, signs, etc. |
| Include a list (map key) of each structure: |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name of structure, activity (e.g. VIP area, registration, catering station, etc.) plus dimensions (width, length, height), how they will be supported and structural material (or submit a picture of the material being used). Staking or fencing to delineating activity areas is discouraged and requires CSEC and Parks Department approval. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vendors require a one day event business license. If vendor is selling direct to public/participants, must contribute 40% to the sponsoring non-profit. Vendor list must be provided. |

* Attach additional sheets as necessary to describe event components below.

EVENT COMPONENTS: (Please indicate which of the following components are included in your event)

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|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canopies or Tents | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Use of City Streets | <input type="checkbox"/> Signs (permit) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food Vendors (Vendor list required) | <input type="checkbox"/> Food cooked on site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electricity Needed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol Permit and ABC | <input type="checkbox"/> Booths, Temporary Structures | <input type="checkbox"/> Barricades (security) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plaza Light Pole Banners: (DRC application) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amplified Sound or Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Fencing or delineating areas (by permit only) |

CANOPIES, TENTS & STAKING – Tents & Canopy standards are provided by the **Fire Department** during the SEC meeting review; heating and cooking safety is also reviewed. Due to underground utilities, **no stakes** - metal, wood, or any type of stake shall be driven into the lawn area without authorization from the Public Works Department.

FOOD VENDORS – Provide a **LIST** of all vendors before event (all must have a City business license); cooking safety reviewed by the Fire Department. If food vendors are selling direct to event participants, 40% is given back to a local non-profit. **Food vendors may use tents and canopies with CSEC event review and approval.**

FOOD TRUCKS – Not allowed at events in the City of Sonoma; Farmers' Market exception.

VENDORS – Vendors must have a one day event business license. A vendor list must be provided to staff one week before the start of the event. The event Manager will make one payment (\$23 for each vendor) to the City. If a for-profit vendor is selling direct to public/participants, they must contribute 40% to the non-profit sponsor.

ALCOHOL SERVED – Submit a completed Permit Application for Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages on City Property along with your Plaza Use Application. Following CSEC review, approval by the Police Chief and the City Manager will be required.

USE OF CITY STREETS & STREET CLOSURES – Requires approval by the **City Council and Police Department**. Submit a completed Permit Application for Use of City Streets along with your Use Application. Attach detailed maps that will be reviewed with the Police Department, showing streets and route being proposed. Requests to close some portion of Highway 12 Broadway, W. Napa Street, and/or Sonoma Highway- must also be approved by **Caltrans Encroachment Permit: 707-762-5540.**

PROPOSED BUDGET: Please attach your proposed budget (income and expenses). _____

SECURITY PLAN: Please describe your Security Plan (final will be approved by the Police Chief). _____

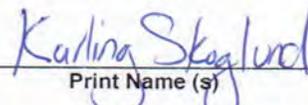
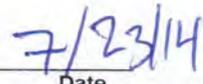
RECYCLING PLAN: Special Events Waste Minimization Planning form. Attach for all events. _____

ADDITIONAL PERMITS REQUIRED:

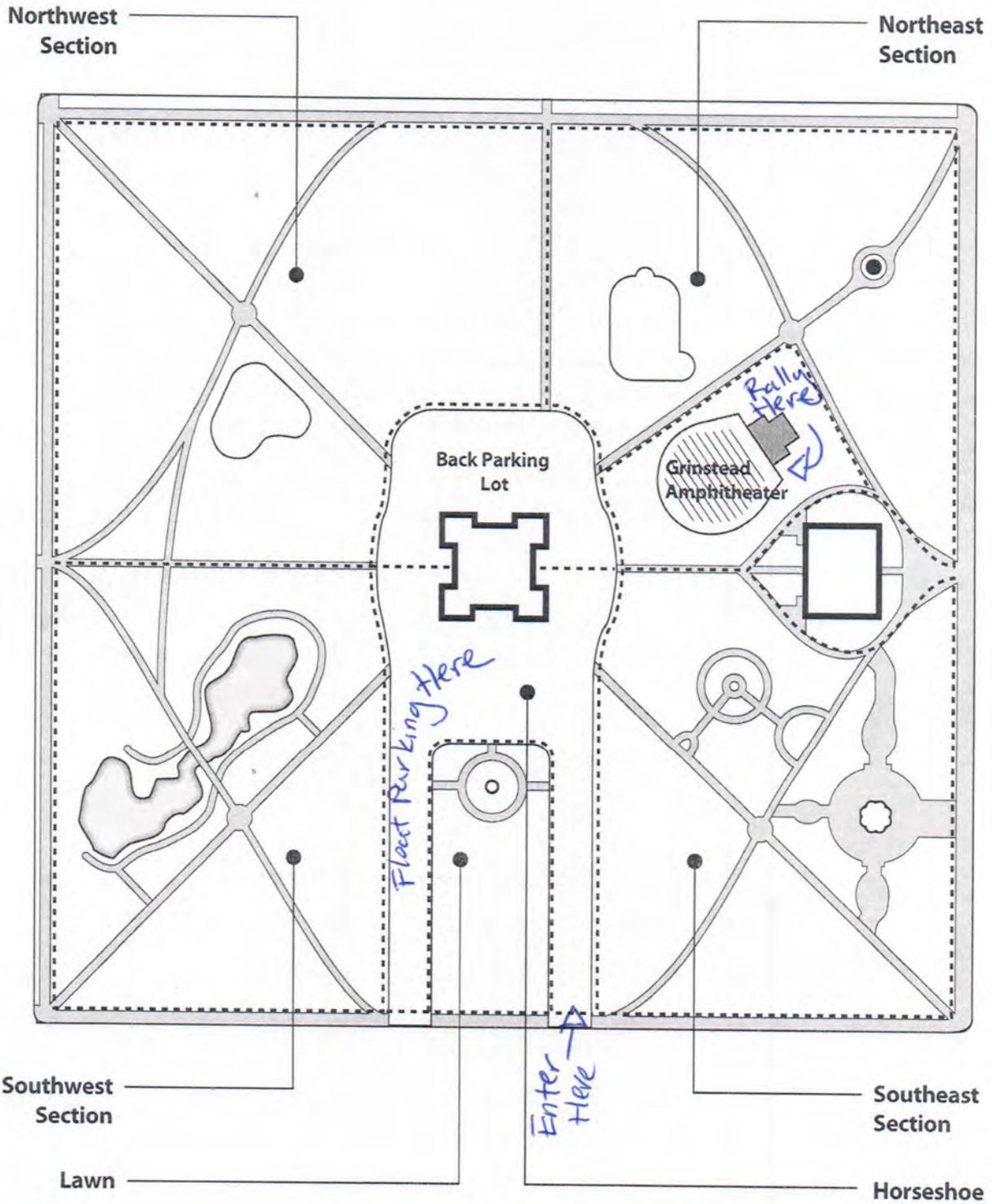
- City Alcohol Permit
- City Street Use Permit (City Council)
- ABC Alcohol License
- Caltrans Encroachment Permit
- City Business License (all vendors)
- Plaza Signage: (City Council review)

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| SITE MANAGER: | Cell Phone: | Home Phone: |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|

Applicant Agreement: I, the undersigned, as applicant or on behalf of the applicant, signify that the information provided on this application is true and correct and hereby accept full responsibility for any breakage or damage to property or building, and for department and conduct of those attending the function for which the facility is requested. I agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City of Sonoma, its officer, officials, employees and volunteers from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses including attorney fees arising out of the negligent act or omission of myself, any agent, anyone directly or indirectly by them or anyone for whose acts by them may be liable, except where caused by the active negligence, sole negligence or willful misconduct of the City. If permission is granted, I, or my representative agrees to be present during the entire use of the facility. This agreement requires that the City of Sonoma be named as "an additionally insured" and that the applicants insurance apply on a primary and non-contributory basis, over any coverage the city of Sonoma may have. My signature below signifies that I agree to abide by all of the conditions of this application, the Special Event Use Policy and of any contract issued based on this application. I also agree to pay to the City of Sonoma all costs the City may incur as a result of any failure to comply with all of these conditions including damages due to failure to leave the premises in rentable condition.

  
Signature of Applicant and Co-Sponsor(s) Print Name (s) Date

Please indicate the location of all major features and activities associated with this event.





CITY OF SONOMA
City Council
Agenda Item Summary

City Council Agenda Item: 4F

Meeting Date: 09/03/2014

Department

Administration

Staff Contact

Gay Johann, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk

Agenda Item Title

Approval of the allocation of a free day use at the Sonoma Veteran's Memorial Building as requested by the Sonoma Valley High School Boosters Club for the annual Crab Feed on January 24, 2015.

Summary

As a benefit to the many non-profit, school, veterans and other local volunteer organizations the City allocates "free days" of use at the Sonoma Veteran's Memorial Building. These "free days" are made possible through an agreement the City has with the County of Sonoma. Pursuant to the agreement dated June 16, 2014, the City will receive fifteen "free days" of use at the Sonoma Veteran's Memorial Building in exchange for \$15,000 for fiscal year 2014/15.

A free day allocation allows a group use of the facility for up to twelve hours on the date of their event free of charge as long as the building is left clean and is secured upon departure. All use of the facility is subject to the terms and conditions of the County's standard use agreement for the building. Groups are required to provide a refundable security and cleaning deposit at the time of booking.

Per the terms of the 2014/15 agreement, ten of the City's free days were for weekend days (Friday 5 p.m. thru Sunday midnight), and five were for mid-week use. Free day events may not be held on a County-observed holiday or any day that the use would conflict with use of the building by a Veterans organization.

If this free day request is approved the City will have two weekend free days and two weekday free days left for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Recommended Council Action

Approve the request for a free day.

Alternative Actions

Council discretion.

Financial Impact

\$15,000 has been included in the 2014/15 budget. \$1,000 is remitted to the County for each free day approved.

Environmental Review

- Environmental Impact Report
- Negative Declaration
- Exempt
- Not Applicable

Status

- Approved/Certified
 - No Action Required
 - Action Requested
-

Attachments:

Requests for free day

Alignment with Council Goals:

Provide continuing leadership as elected officials and residents of the community by taking steps to assure a safe and vibrant community.

cc: Via email: C. Vella

Gay Johann

From: Vella Cheese Company of California <vella@vellacheese.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2014 6:33 PM
To: CityHall Mailbox
Subject: Vetrans Building fee waiver request.

I am writing this fee waiver request as part of the 2015 SVHS Booster Crab Feed. This request was originally written, but never sent by someone on the 2104 committee. Since I am new to this event, I am using their request letter, because it has all the correct dollar amounts and states what the raised funds are used for. I would like to respectfully request that the Sonoma Valley High School Booster Club be selected as one of the non-profit organizations permitted to use the Sonoma Veterans Hall at no charge. The Sonoma Valley High School Boosters Club is an all volunteer organization that pledges to raise \$ 160,000.00 to \$ 2000,000.00 a year to help fill the budget gap at our high school. The money we raise is to insure that ALL extra-curricular programs continue to be offered at the high school. Without the help of the Boosters Club, these programs would be cut. We will be holding our annual Crab Feed on January 24th, 2015. By being selected to be one of the non-profits that can be granted a fee waiver would be of considerable savings to us. For every dollar we don't have to spend means another dollar that would go directly to our children. This year (February 1st) we held the event at the Vet's building and had a sell out crowd of 330 attendees. We received an overwhelming positive response to the event and the venue and would like to make the Vet's building our home for this event. Thank You for your consideration. Chickie Vella, 2015 SVHS Crab Feed committee member.

Vella Cheese Company of CA

315 Second St. East

Sonoma, CA 95476

(707) 938-3232

(707) 938-4307 FAX

www.vellacheese.com



CITY OF SONOMA
City Council/Successor Agency
Agenda Item Summary

City Council Agenda Item: 5A

Meeting Date: 08/18/2014

Department

Administration

Staff Contact

Gay Johann, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk

Agenda Item Title

Approval of the portions of the Minutes of the July 21, August 18, and August 25, 2014 City Council meetings pertaining to the Successor Agency.

Summary

The minutes have been prepared for Council review and approval.

Recommended Council Action

Approve the minutes.

Alternative Actions

Correct or amend the minutes prior to approval.

Financial Impact

N/A

Environmental Review

- Environmental Impact Report
- Negative Declaration
- Exempt
- Not Applicable

Status

- Approved/Certified
- No Action Required
- Action Requested

Attachments:

See Agenda Item 4B for the minutes

Alignment with Council Goals: N/A

cc: NA



City of Sonoma
City Council
as Successor Agency
Agenda Item Summary

City Council Agenda Item: **5B**

Meeting Date: **09/03/2014**

Department

Administration

Staff Contact

Carol Giovanatto, City Manager

Agenda Item Title

Adoption of the FY 14-15B Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule [ROPS] for the period January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015

Summary

As required by legislation AB1x26, the Recognized Obligation Schedule [ROPS] must be prepared and approved for each prospective six month period of the fiscal year. The ROPS under consideration tonight covers the period January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 [FY 14-15B] and includes updates to all previously approved projects and expenditures. Once the ROPS is approved by the Successor Agency, it will be presented to the Oversight Board on September 9 for approval and submittal to Department of Finance, the State Controller's office and the County Auditor-Controller.

Recommended Council Action

Acting as the Successor Agency, approve the ROPS for the period January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 as submitted for presentation to the Oversight Board on September 9th.

Alternative Actions

N/A

Financial Impact

Unknown at this time

Environmental Review

- Environmental Impact Report
- Negative Declaration
- Exempt
- Not Applicable

Status

- Approved/Certified
- No Action Required
- Action Requested

Attachments:

Recognized Obligation Schedule #14-15B
Resolution

cc:

CITY OF SONOMA

RESOLUTION NO. SA __ - 2014

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SONOMA APPROVING THE RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2015

WHEREAS, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 34180(g), the City Council as the Successor Agency is required to review and approve the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule prepared by the Successor Agency covering a six month period; and

WHEREAS, the Successor Agency to the dissolved Redevelopment Agency of the City of Sonoma is requested to approve the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule [FY 14-15B] for the six month period January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 and

WHEREAS, on September 9, 2014, the ROPS will be presented to the Oversight Board for review and approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Successor Agency as follows:

SECTION 1. The Successor Agency hereby approves the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for the period January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015, as set forth in Exhibit "A" to this Resolution and by this reference incorporated herein.

SECTION 2. The Board Secretary, or the City's City Manager (as the person appointed by action of the Oversight Board at its meeting of September 9, 2014, to be the designated contract person to the Department of Finance), shall transmit the approved Amended Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule to the Department of Finance, State Controller, and County Auditor-Controller in compliance with the requirements of Part 1.85 of Division 24 of the California Health and Safety Code. The staff of the Successor Agency shall take such other and further actions and sign such other and further documents as appropriate to effectuate the intent of this Resolution and to implement the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule approved hereby on behalf of the Successor Agency.

SECTION 3. The adoption of this Resolution by the Successor Agency shall not impair the right of the Successor Agency to assert any claim or pursue any legal action challenging the constitutionality of Assembly Bill 26 from the 2011-12 First Extraordinary Session of the California Legislature ("AB 1x26") or challenging any determination by the State of California or any office, department or agency thereof with respect to the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule approved hereby.

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Resolution is for any reason held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution. The Successor Agency hereby declares that it would have adopted this Resolution and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase be declared invalid.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Successor Agency at a meeting held on the 3rd day of September, 2014 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

Tom Rouse, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gay Johann, City Clerk

Agenda Item 5B

The ROPS were not available at the time the packet was prepared and will be distributed separately when they have been finalized.



City of Sonoma
City Council
Agenda Item Summary

City Council Agenda Item: 6A

Meeting Date: 09/03/14

Department

Planning and Community Services

Staff Contact

David Goodison, Planning Director

Agenda Item Title

Introduction of an ordinance establishing regulations governing the use of the Montini Preserve.

Summary

The Montini Preserve encompasses approximately 98 acres of open space, including a significant portion of Sonoma's hillside backdrop. It is located immediately north of the Vallejo Home State Park and ex-tends from Fifth Street West to First Street West. The Preserve features rolling grasslands, oak wood-lands, and a 9-acre pasture, with elevations ranging from 120 feet to 500 feet above sea level. Under the terms of a agreement adopted by the City Council in 2013, the ownership of the Montini Preserve is in the process of being transferred to the City of Sonoma. According to the Open Space District, this process is expected to be complete sometime this September. Once the City takes ownership of the Preserve, it will have 45 days to open it to the public. Given the impending change in ownership, it is necessary to amend the Municipal Code in order to regulate its use.

Staff has prepared a draft set amendments for the Council's consideration that address hours of use, a prohibition on smoking, and allowances for temporary closure for maintenance or other purposes. In addition, the proposed ordinance would prohibit dogs within the Preserve. As the Council is aware, under the terms of a conservation easement attached to the Preserve, the City is required to administer the Preserve in conformance with a Management Plan previously adopted by the District. The Management Plan prohibits dogs on the Montini Preserve. Although the City Council is in the process of seeking an amendment to the Management Plan that, if approved, would provide the Council the option of allowing leashed dogs on trails within the Preserve, that amendment will not be processed until sometime following the transfer of ownership. Therefore, the proposed ordinance reflects the current limits on use as set forth in the Management Plan.

Recommended Council Action

Introduce the ordinance amending the Municipal Code to establish regulations governing the use of the Montini Preserve.

Alternative Actions

Council discretion.

Financial Impact

N.A.

Environmental Review

- Environmental Impact Report
- Negative Declaration
- Exempt
- Not Applicable

Status

- Approved/Certified
 - No Action Required
 - Action Requested
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Alignment with Council Goals:

This issue does not directly relate to any of the Council's adopted goals.

Attachments:

1. Draft Ordinance

cc: Bill Keene, General Manager, SCAPOSD
Danita Rodriguez, District Superintendent, State Parks
Richard Dale, Sonoma Ecology Center
Joanna Kemper, Sonoma Overlook Trail Taskforce
Bob Edwards, SVDOG
Jennifer Hainstock
Fred Allebach
Jacqueline Steuer, 361 Nicoli Lane, Sonoma, CA
Mary Nesbitt
Lisa Summers

CITY OF SONOMA

ORDINANCE NO. X - 2014

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SONOMA AMENDING THE SONOMA MUNICIPAL CODE BY ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE MONTINI PRESERVE

The City Council of the City of Sonoma hereby ordains as follows:

Section 1. Section 8.06.070 of the Sonoma Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

8.06.070 Dogs in park facilities – Exceptions.

A. Dogs are prohibited in all areas of Plaza Park, the Montini Preserve, and on the Sonoma Overlook Trail, regardless of whether they are restrained by a leash. Dogs are permitted in all other city park facilities, except in children's playground areas of any city park; provided, that a waste bag dispensary is located within the park facility, and such dog is under the control of a competent person and under restraint by a leash not to exceed six feet in length. As used in this section, Plaza Park shall mean that property used for park purposes surrounded by 1st Street East, 1st Street West, Napa Street, and Spain Street, but excludes the sidewalks nearest the roadway and the area inside the park used for vehicular traffic or parking.

Section 2. Section 9.12.147 of the Sonoma Municipal Code is hereby established as follows:

9.12.147 Montini Preserve.

In addition to applicable regulations set forth in this chapter and elsewhere in the municipal code, the following restrictions shall apply to the use of the Montini Preserve:

A. Notwithstanding SMC 9.12.050, hours of use shall be limited to 6:00 a.m. to dusk.

B. Smoking shall be prohibited.

C. The fire chief shall be authorized to close the Preserve during periods of high fire danger.

D. The public works director shall be authorized to close all or portions of the Montini Preserve on a temporary basis as needed for maintenance or to implement the grazing plan approved for the Preserve as amended from time-to-time.

Section 3. Exemption from Environmental Review.

The amendments to the Municipal Code effected by this ordinance are exempt from environmental review under the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Cal. Pub. Res. Code §§ 21000 *et seq.*, 14 Cal. Code Regs. §§ 15000 *et seq.*) pursuant to Section 15061 (b)(3) of title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, as it can be determined with certainty that there is no possibility that these proposed revisions to the Municipal Code, which are intended to regulate the use of the Montini Preserve in a manner consistent with other City parks, will have any significant effect on the environment.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days from and after the date of its passage.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Sonoma this XX day of XX, 2014.



CITY OF SONOMA
City Council
Agenda Item Summary

City Council Agenda Item: 7A

Meeting Date: 09/03/2014

Department

Administration

Staff Contact

Carol E. Giovanatto, City Manager

Agenda Item Title

Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on the Proposal by the Penglai Committee of the Sonoma Sister Cities Association to place a memorial in Depot Park.

Summary

The Penglai Committee of the Sonoma Sister Cities Association is requesting approval of the City Council to place a memorial in Depot Park, near the museum, to recognize the contribution of Chinese laborers in the late 1800s, who were largely responsible for the work effort that significantly contributed to the development of Sonoma's wine industry. The Proposal is attached for your information and review. Representatives from the Sister Cities Association met with staff to discuss the project which will include a design competition for the monument. Should Council grant approval for the placement of a monument, staff will work with Sister Cities to determine the exact location and design attributes necessary to minimize future maintenance and liability exposures.

Recommended Council Action

Council discretion

Alternative Actions

N/A

Financial Impact

Unknown at this time.

Environmental Review

- Environmental Impact Report
- Negative Declaration
- Exempt
- Not Applicable

Status

- Approved/Certified
 - No Action Required
 - Action Requested
-

Attachments:

Penglai Committee Proposal

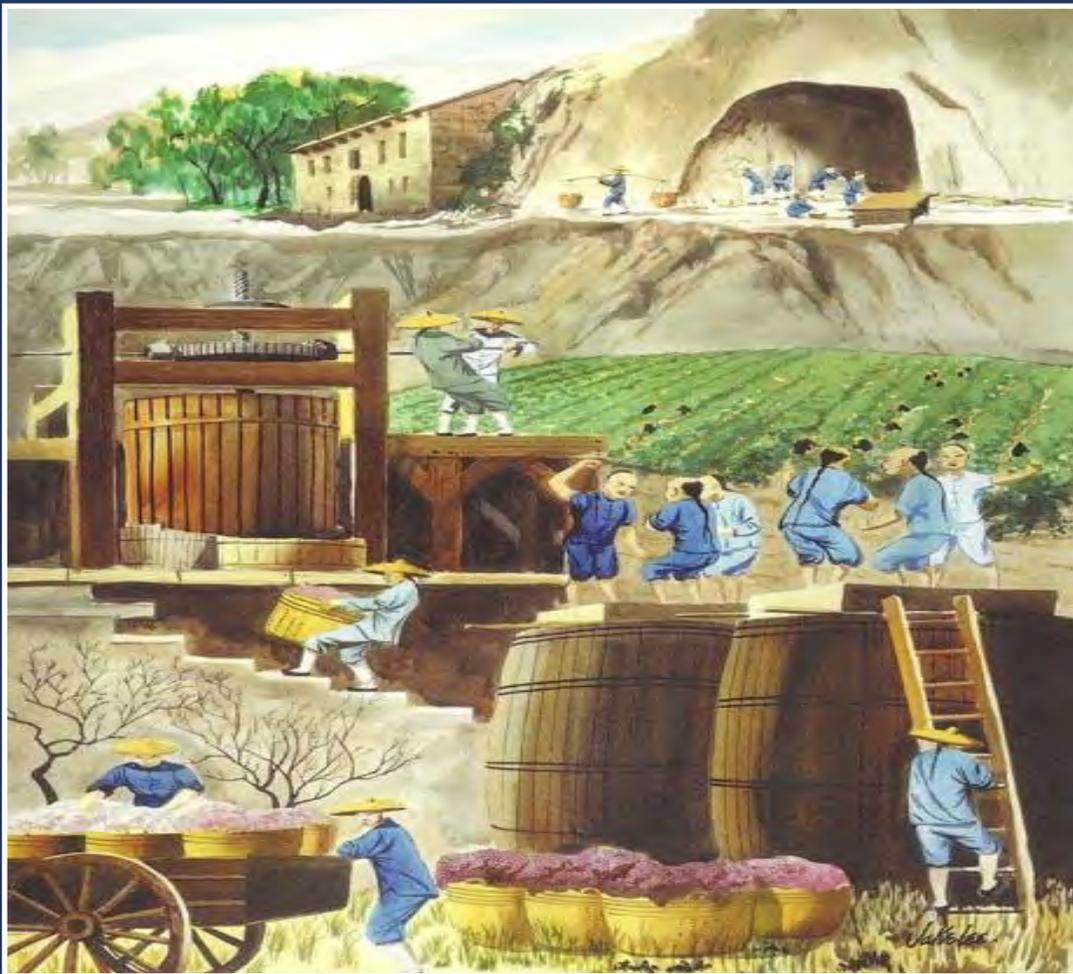
Alignment with Council Goals:

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Proposal: A Memorial to Honor Sonoma's "Forgotten Ones"

Sonoma, California USA



Vineyard Workers in Sonoma County Artist: *Jake Lee*

Sponsored by: Sonoma–Penglai, China Sister City Committee
of the Sonoma Sister Cities Association, a 501(c)3 organization

The Forgotten Ones: An Introduction



The Coolie Auburn, California Artist: Ken Fox

They are the forgotten ones...the Chinese laborers who strove to establish the wine industry in the Sonoma Valley. Beginning with their efforts at Buena Vista Winery, they cleared the fields of thousands of oak tree stumps, cultivated the vineyards, toiled in the wine cellars, and patiently performed the difficult field-grafts to help keep the wine industry alive during an early outbreak of phylloxera. Their skill in the field was legendary and has been recognized by historians, but forgotten by most others.



The Vintage in California Artist: P. Frenzeny

The Project

The Sonoma-Penglai Sister City Committee respectfully requests the City Council of the City of Sonoma to permit the Sonoma Sister Cities Association to erect a monument recognizing the Chinese farm laborers of the nineteenth century and authorize its placement at Depot Park.

Project Goals:

- 1) To recognize the contributions of Chinese laborers in the establishment of Sonoma Valley's wine industry
- 2) To educate both residents and visitors about this forgotten piece of Sonoma's history
- 3) To attract tourists from China to visit Sonoma Valley while enhancing Sonoma's small town character with a historic monument

(According to Visit California, in 2011 517,000 Chinese tourists spent \$277 per day in California. In 2012 California hosted 708,000 Chinese visitors - and that number is expected to grow more than 100% by 2015.)

Background

The Unique Contribution of the Chinese to Sonoma Valley Viticulture

Chinese laborers were more than field hands. Agoston Haraszthy was so impressed with the work of his Chinese workers in developing his Buena Vista Winery in 1858, that he became a vocal advocate for their employment in agriculture in Sonoma County and throughout California. Chinese laborers soon developed a reputation among the growers for dependability, skill, low cost, and reliability. The Chinese not only cleared the fields, but removed thousands of oaks; reportedly constructed many of the buildings and fences; scattered sulfur to prevent mildew; and performed difficult field-grafts during the phylloxera period. Not only did they perform field labor, but they were proficient in many of the technical aspects of winemaking: they bottled and racked the wine, acted as cellar bosses, and some became expert winemakers and distillers. Through the use of Chinese labor contractors, grape farmers were assured that during the short harvest season they would have adequate crews available for the harvest. It was Chinese labor in the mid –nineteenth century that propelled Sonoma County’s wine production past Los Angeles, then the leading wine producer in the state. These now forgotten Chinese workers suffered through an era of extreme racial prejudice, including a Sonoma County boycott in 1886 of Chinese labor and goods intended to drive all Chinese from the county. Sonoma vintners unsuccessfully opposed the boycott measures.

Recognition by Eminent Authorities and Local Growers

In the 1860s and 1870s Sonoma Valley had become the epicenter of expansion and improvement of California’s grapes and wines and established the foundation of our modern wine industry. The Library of Congress has noted that “Chinese immigrants also provided essential labor for the development of the wine industry in California.” Stanford historian Richard Steven Street acknowledged that “of all the Chinese field hands in California at this time,

the ones who played the most important role in commercial agriculture worked some fifty miles north of San Francisco.” The Valley’s dependency upon Chinese labor is illustrated by Glen Ellen grower John Hill’s testimony before Congress in 1877 claiming that Sonoma Valley grape growers were so dependent upon the Chinese that if forced to rid themselves of Chinese labor they would have to “abandon the grape.”

The Benefits to Sonoma of a Memorial to Chinese Farm Laborers

California is now the #1 destination in USA for Chinese visitors. If approved, the memorial will strengthen our ties with our sister city, Penglai; provide recognition to our Chinese visitors that shows our appreciation for the labor of their ancestors, and educate residents and visitors about this forgotten piece of Sonoma Valley history.

Location

Depot Park Lawn, Sonoma



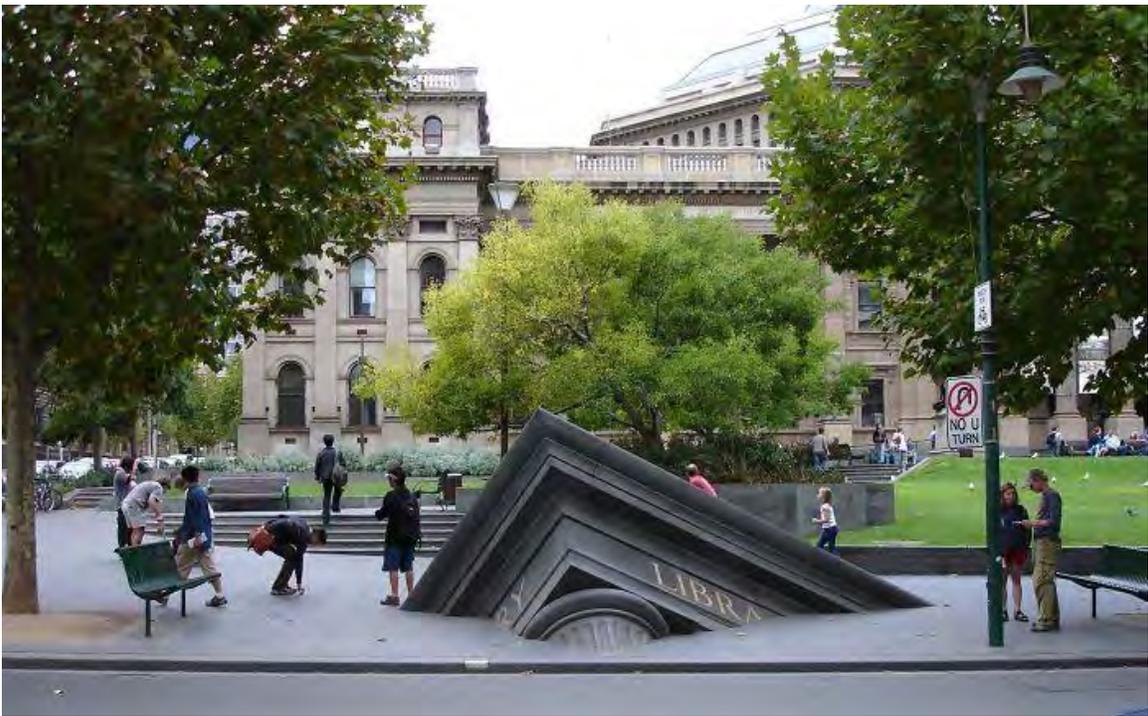
Design Competition

The Sonoma-Penglai Committee intends to hold a design competition and invite local, national, and international artists to vie for the honor of creating an appropriate memorial honoring the Forgotten Ones. The winning design concept will be selected by a distinguished panel of judges. This lively competition will undoubtedly raise public awareness of the project and help promote Sonoma—and perhaps one day the design winner will be one of “The Most Creative Sculptures and Statues From Around the World”. Please take a look at a few of these exciting public monuments.

<http://www.boredpanda.org/post-the-most-creative-sculptures-and-statues-from-around-the-world/>



Nelson Mandela Capture Site, Midlands, Kwazulu-natal



Sinking Building Outside State Library, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.



Sculpture Of Anonymous Passer-by, Wrocław, Poland

Funding

This Memorial will be built at no cost to the City. We seek approval for the project and location within Depot Park only. Management of contributions will be provided by Sonoma Sister Cities Association, a non-profit 501(c)3 organization.

Funding will be secured by seeking:

Community Contributions

Grant Awards (e.g. from Sonoma Valley Vintners & Growers Foundation and the
Sonoma County Vintners Foundation)

Corporate Contributions

Sonoma Valley Vintners and Growers Grant Application

Donations from Wineries and Grape Growers

Fundraising Campaign

Kickstarter Campaign

Our current budget estimate is \$25,000.

Summary

It is time to recognize the many unique contributions of these early Chinese workers to California and the Sonoma Valley wine industry—and to educate our residents and many international visitors about this essential part of Sonoma Valley's history. The Sonoma Sister City Association's Penglai Committee requests support and approval to erect a fitting memorial in honor of these early Chinese workers who helped lay the foundation of our modern prosperous wine country.

Project Sponsor Sonoma-Penglai, China Sister City Committee

Monument Subcommittee

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City Council Agenda Item: 7B

Meeting Date: 09/03/2014

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Agenda Item Title

Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on the Establishment of an Increase to the Minimum Wage Law in the City of Sonoma [Requested by Councilmember Barbose]

Summary

Councilmember Barbose has requested discussion of the possible implementation of an ordinance which would establish a higher minimum wage for businesses operating within the City limits of Sonoma. In keeping with Council policy, issues requiring staff research greater than one hour must be supported by a majority of the Council. Staff has done a cursory amount of research on the issue and has found several larger cities in the Bay Area which have implemented a local minimum wage including San Francisco, Oakland, Richmond, Berkeley and San Jose. Research to date has not shown any smaller cities to have undertaken this legislation. Reviewing the ordinances of the larger cities it is clear that the enforcement of the minimum wage law provisions would fall to the City. Establishing an increased minimum wage could have a significant impact on Sonoma overall absent a thorough vetting process to determine the impact on local employers, true calculations on local wage rates, impacts on jobs and how an increase could affect the economy overall.

Recommended Council Action

Council discretion

Alternative Actions

N/A

Financial Impact

Unknown at this time.

Environmental Review

- Environmental Impact Report
- Negative Declaration
- Exempt
- Not Applicable

Status

- Approved/Certified
 - No Action Required
 - Action Requested
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Attachments:

Alignment with Council Goals:

Unknown at this time.

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Councilmembers' Reports on Committee Activities.

Summary

Council members will report on activities, if any, of the various committees to which they are assigned.

| MAYOR ROUSE | MPT COOK | CLM. BARBOSE | CLM. BROWN | CLM. GALLIAN |
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| ABAG Alternate | AB939 Local Task Force | Cittaslow Sonoma Valley Advisory Council, Alt. | Oversight Board to the Dissolved CDA | ABAG Delegate |
| City Audit Committee | City Facilities Committee | North Bay Watershed Association | Sonoma County Health Action | Cittaslow Sonoma Valley Advisory Council |
| City Facilities Committee | LOCC North Bay Division Liaison | Sonoma Clean Power | S. V. Citizens Advisory Commission | City Audit Committee |
| Sonoma County Mayors & Clm. Assoc. BOD | Oversight Board to the Dissolved CDA, Alt. | Sonoma County Transportation Authority & Regional Climate Protection Authority, Alternate | S.V. Economic Development Steering Committee | LOCC North Bay Division Liaison, Alternate |
| Sonoma County M & C Assoc. Legislative Committee, Alt. | Sonoma Clean Power Alt. | Sonoma County Waste Management Agency | S. V. Library Advisory Committee, Alternate | Sonoma County Transportation Authority & Regional Climate Protection Authority |
| Sonoma Disaster Council | Sonoma County Mayors & Clm. Assoc. BOD | VOM Water District Ad Hoc Committee, Alternate | Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition | LOCC North Bay Division, LOCC E-Board (M & C Appointment) |
| Sonoma Housing Corporation | Sonoma County M & C Assoc. Legislative Committee | Water Advisory Committee, Alternate | Mobilehome Park Rent Control Ad Hoc Committee (1/8/14) | Sonoma County Ag Preservation and Open Space Advisory Committee (M & C Appointment) |
| Sonoma Valley Citizens Advisory Comm. Alt. | Sonoma Disaster Council, Alternate | | | VOM Water District Ad Hoc Committee |
| S.V.C. Sanitation District BOD | Sonoma Housing Corporation | | | Water Advisory Committee |
| S.V. Fire & Rescue Authority Oversight Committee | S.V.C. Sanitation District BOD, Alt. | | | Mobilehome Park Rent Control Ad Hoc Committee (1/8/14) |
| | S.V. Economic Development Steering Committee, Alt. | | | |
| | S. V. Library Advisory Committee | | | |
| | S.V. Fire & Rescue Authority Oversight Committee | | | |

Recommended Council Action – Receive Reports

Attachments: None