



**City Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft**

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Tuesday, June 22, 2021

1:30 PM

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**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Chris Rogers, Vice Mayor Natalie Rogers, Council Member Eddie Alvarez, Council Member Victoria Fleming, Council Member John Sawyer, Council Member Tom Schwedhelm, and Council Member Jack Tibbetts

**2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

No public comments were made.

Mayor Rogers recessed the meeting to closed session at 1:33 p.m.

**2.1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**  
(Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Designated Representatives: Jan Mazyck, Chief Financial Officer, Amy Reeve, Human Resources Director, Jeremia Mills, Employee Relations Manager, and Jeff Berk, Chief Assistant City Attorney.

Employee Organizations: Santa Rosa Firefighters Association - Local 1401 (representing City Employee Unit 2); Operating Engineers Local 3, Maintenance and Utility System Operators (Employee Units 3 and 16); Santa Rosa City Employees Association (Employee Units 4, 6, 7); Santa Rosa Police Officers Association, (Employee Unit 5); Service Employees International Union Local 1021, (Employee Units 8 and 14); Public Safety Management Association (Employee Unit 9); Executive Management (Employee Unit 10); Middle Management (Employee Unit 11); Confidential (Employee Unit 12); Mechanics (Employee Unit 13); City Attorney (Employee Unit 15); Santa Rosa City Attorneys' Association (Employee Unit 17), Santa Rosa Management Association (Employee Unit 18).

**This item was received and filed.**

**2.2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Name of Case: In Re Matter of the Appeal of Santa Rosa Police  
Department

Court Case No.: Department of Industrial Relations Occupational Safety  
and Health Appeals Board, Inspection No. 1472724

**This item was received and filed.**

**Mayor Rogers adjourned closed session at 3:02 p.m. and reconvened to the  
study sessions at 3:03 p.m.**

**3. STUDY SESSION**

**Present:** 6 - Mayor Chris Rogers, Vice Mayor Natalie Rogers, Council Member  
Eddie Alvarez, Council Member Victoria Fleming, Council Member  
John Sawyer, and Council Member Tom Schwedhelm

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Jack Tibbetts

**3.1 SHARED SPACE AND PARKLET UPDATE AND PERMANENT  
PROGRAM OPTIONS**

Staff will present an update on the COVID prompted temporary Shared  
Space and Parklet Program, and provide options for transitioning the  
temporary program into a permanent codified community opportunity

Raissa De La Rosa, Division Director - Economic Development, and  
Gabe Osburn, Division Director - Development Services, presented  
and answered questions from the Council.

Council Member Tibbetts joined the meeting at 3:42 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Eris Weaver, Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition, spoke on  
appreciating the alternative uses for public spaces during COVID-19  
and the possibility of transforming automobile parking spaces to  
bicycle parking spaces.

Thomas Ells spoke on the differences between Coddington and Montgomery Village parking.

Gail spoke on the contrast between providing places for people to dine but not providing places for people to sleep.

Kristin spoke commending staff for moving this forward from a temporary program to a permanent program and looking forward to policy that sets goals in specific plan and general plan.

Kris Wilson, Executive Director Railroad Square Associate, spoke on the opportunity to provide this program to businesses, and concerns on the placement of the parking spaces creating space issues.

Council provided direction to staff.

**This item was received and filed.**

### 3.2 SAFE PARKING PILOT PROGRAM

From 2015 to present, safe parking has been the subject of numerous presentations to City Council as part of the Community Homeless Assistance Program (CHAP), shelter expansion efforts, and homeless services programming updates. Most recently, on February 9, 2021, staff provided a study session to review the City's homeless services programming, which included three safe parking program models: basic, program operator, and housing-focused. Based on Council direction provided to staff during the February 9, 2021 meeting, staff will provide a study session to further review these program models and to seek direction on the implementation of a safe parking pilot program (Program) including issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a program operator and the preferred City-owned location for the Program.

Kelly Kuykendall, Homeless Services Manager, presented and answered questions from Council.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gail Simons spoke in support of a safe parking program.

Shirley spoke thanking staff for their work and in support of a safe parking program.

Cadance Hinkle Allinson, Downtown District, thanked staff for their work and in opposition to placing a safe parking program in the downtown area.

Kelsey spoke on the response from the City, County, and law enforcement contributing to harm the people and wanting accountability.

Steven, Santa Rosa Plaza, spoke in opposition to placing a program in the downtown area and in opposition to cutting the police budget.

Anita spoke on concerns of a crisis situation forming in the South Park area.

Annette, resident of South Park, spoke thanking Council Member Alvarez and Kelli Kuykendall for attending a meeting regarding a situation in her neighborhood.

Michael spoke in support of providing more services and in support of a safe parking program.

Alexis spoke on the need to provide safe parking and 25 parking spaces not being enough to meet the homeless crisis.

Patrick, Sonoma Applied Village Services (SAVS), spoke on providing a proposal for a safe parking program.

Gregory spoke in support of a safe parking program.

Allegra spoke in support of more safe parking sites.

Vera, volunteer with Homeless Action, spoke in support of a safe

parking program.

Lee spoke in support of 24/7 care, peer run sites, multiple safe parking sites, and her concern with faith based programs being involved.

Heather, Sonoma County Acts of Kindness, conceded her time to a houseless person who spoke on his experience.

Alice spoke in support of a safe parking program.

Resident 9616 spoke asking questions on the scope of the program and the experience in her neighborhood with the Finley Safe Parking Program.

Corey spoke in living in trailer and in support of a safe parking program.

Katie Stagnaro, Impact Foundation, spoke on her experience of being homeless.

Victoria Yanez spoke on her experiences.

Adrienne Lauby spoke in support of a 24/7 safe parking program.

Anita LaFollette spoke on the comparison of efforts by City staff to get the merchants needs met versus how the City handles the needs of the homeless.

Thomas Ells spoke providing statistics on the unsheltered in the county.

Pat Nicholson spoke asking Council to fix the problem by stopping the sweeps of encampments and meet the needs of the homeless.

Mark Kirby submitted comment on the criteria of the program and in opposition to using the Rincon Valley Library as a safe parking site.

Bridgett spoke in opposition of using the Rincon Valley Library as a safe parking site.

Lisa Klockon submitted comment in opposition to a safe parking site at Rincon Valley Library.

Anonymous resident spoke in opposition to a safe parking site at the Rincon Valley Library.

Anonymous resident submitted comment in opposition of a safe parking program at the Rincon Valley Library.

Allison Mulligan submitted comment in opposition of a safe parking site at Rincon Valley Library.

Natalie submitted comment in support of a 24-hour access safe parking program.

Arlie Hague, Sonoma Applied Village Services (SAVS), submitted comment in support of 24/7 parking program.

Council provided direction to staff.

**This item was received and filed.**

#### **4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ROLL CALL - NONE.**

**Mayor Rogers announced he would be taking Consent Items next, Council would then take a dinner break and reconvene from the break to start with Item 15. Public Hearings.**

#### **12. CONSENT ITEMS**

Council Member Tibbetts announced he would be abstaining from Item 12.9 due to his work with St. Vincent de Paul.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Thomas Ells spoke on Item 12.1 regarding pavement quality.

## Approval of the Consent Agenda

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rogers, seconded by Council Member Alvarez, to waive reading of the text and adopt Consent Items 12.1 through 12.8. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Mayor Rogers, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Alvarez, Council Member Fleming, Council Member Sawyer, Council Member Schwedhelm, and Council Member Tibbetts

### 12.1 MOTION - CONTRACT AWARD - ANNUAL SLURRY SEAL 2021

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by motion, award Contract No. C02356, Annual Slurry Seal 2021, in the amount of \$494,080.00 to the lowest responsible bidder, VSS International, Inc. of West Sacramento, California, approve a 10% contract contingency, and authorize a total contract amount of \$543,488.00, effective July 1, 2021.

**This Consent - Motion was approved.**

### 12.2 MOTION - CONTRACT AWARD - ROSELAND PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE - 2021

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by motion, award Contract No. C02345, Roseland Pavement Maintenance-2021, in the amount of \$604,000.00 to the lowest responsible bidder, VSS International, Inc. of West Sacramento, California, approve a 20% contract contingency, and authorize a total contract amount of \$724,800.00.

**This Consent - Motion was approved.**

### 12.3 RESOLUTION - AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO INFOSEND, INC FOR UTILITY BILL PRINTING, BILL INSERTS, AND MAILING SERVICES UTILIZING THE CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Finance Department that the Council, by resolution, approve the award of a Purchase Order for utility bill printing, bill inserts, and mailing services for two years with a one-year extension option to InfoSend, Inc., Anaheim, California, utilizing the City of San Luis Obispo Cooperative Purchasing

Agreement, for a total amount not to exceed \$184,000.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-099 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING THE AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER FOR UTILITY BILL PRINTING, BILL INSERTS, AND MAILING SERVICES TO INFOSEND, INC.**

**12.4 RESOLUTION - APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FISCAL YEAR 2021-22**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Finance Department that the Council, by resolution: (1) adopt the Article XIII B appropriation limit for the City of Santa Rosa at \$288,731,000 for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22; and (2) approve the use of the inflation and population factors used in the calculation of the limit for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-100 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA ADOPTING AN APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA FOR THE 2021-22 FISCAL YEAR PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XIII B OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION**

**12.5 RESOLUTION - FIRST AMENDMENT TO F001219 FINANCIAL AUDIT SERVICES**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Finance Department that the Council, by resolution, approve a First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement Number F001219 with Macias Gini & O'Connell, LLP, to amend time and performance and increase compensation by \$438,358, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,278,358.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-101 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT NUMBER F001219 WITH MACIAS GINI & O'CONNELL LLP**

**12.6 RESOLUTION - SUBMITTAL OF SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 ACTION PLAN**

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended by the Housing & Community Services Department that the Council, by resolution: (1) approve and authorize submittal of Substantial Amendment No. 3 to the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Action Plan and reallocate from \$1,281,401 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus (CDBG-CV3) funds for rental assistance/housing instability to public services for COVID-19 response; (2) authorize the City Manager to execute all amendments to the City's federal funding agreements for CDBG-CV3 along with any additional documents required by HUD to implement the CARES Act funding; and (3) authorize the Director of Housing & Community Services to execute all professional services and grant agreements required to carry out the public services needed to expend the Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds allocated for these services, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-102 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 ACTION PLAN AND REALLOCATION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES ACT) - CDBG-CV3**

**12.7** RESOLUTION - EXTENSION OF PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATING TO 2020 GLASS FIRE

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended by the City Attorney's Office that the Council, by resolution, declare that the proclamation of a state of local emergency within the City of Santa Rosa has been and remains in full force and effect without interruption.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-103 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA EXTENDING THE PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO 2020 GLASS FIRE**

**12.8** RESOLUTION - EXTENSION OF PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATING TO THE THREAT TO

## COMMUNITY HEALTH POSED BY COVID-19

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the City Attorney's Office that the Council, by resolution, declare that the proclamation of a state of local emergency within the City of Santa Rosa has been and remains in full force and effect without interruption.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

### **RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-104 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA EXTENDING THE PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO THE THREAT TO COMMUNITY HEALTH POSED BY COVID-19**

#### **12.9 RESOLUTION - EXTENSION OF PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL HOMELESS EMERGENCY**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the City Manager that the Council, by resolution, approve an extension of Resolution No. 28839 which formally proclaimed a local homeless emergency within Santa Rosa.

**Motion made by Vice Mayor Rogers, seconded by Council Member Alvarez, to waive reading of the text and adopt:**

### **RESOLUTION NO. RES-2020-105 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA EXTENDING A PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL HOMELESS EMERGENCY (Government Code Sections 8630 et seq.)**

#### **The Motion carried by the following vote**

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Rogers, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Alvarez, Council Member Fleming, Council Member Sawyer, and Council Member Schwedhelm

**Abstain:** 1 - Council Member Tibbetts

**Mayor Rogers recessed the meeting at 7:26 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:55 p.m.**

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Chris Rogers, Vice Mayor Natalie Rogers, Council Member Eddie Alvarez, Council Member Victoria Fleming, Council Member John Sawyer, Council Member Tom Schwedhelm, and Council Member Jack Tibbetts

## 15. PUBLIC HEARINGS

### 15.1 PUBLIC HEARING - PUBLIC HEARING ON ADOPTION OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA FY 2021-22 OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE BUDGET AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET

BACKGROUND: The City Charter specifies numerous actions to take place leading up to the City Council adopting a budget prior to the last day of June each fiscal year. City staff published a summary of the current year budget (FY 2020-21) on December 30, 2020; held a budget priorities public hearing on February 9, 2021; held a budget study session on May 18-19, 2021; published a budget summary and public hearing notice on June 8, 2021; and, made copies of the proposed budget available to the public on the City's website at [www.srcity.org](http://www.srcity.org) on June 8, 2021

RECOMMENDATION: The City Manager and the Finance Department recommend that the Council hold a Public Hearing and by seven (7) resolutions, adopt the City Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Operations and Maintenance Budget, and FY 2021-22 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Jan Mazyck, Chief Financial Officer, and Alan Alton, Deputy Director Finance, presented and answered questions from Council.

Mayor Rogers opened the public hearing at 8:51 p.m.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Alexis spoke on the amount of budget that has been allocated to rental assistance has contributed to the houseless, concern the fire budget is cut while police is getting more.

Allegra spoke echoing Alexis' comments in opposition to increasing the police budget and to School Resource Officers in schools, and in support of using funds to address poverty in the community.

Alan spoke on studies showing increasing police staff does not equate to less crime, supports allocating funds to economic

assistance programs, and in opposition to the removal of homeless encampments.

Michael spoke on the response times to 911, for Council to listen to the communities affected by these decision to hiring more officers to the Police Gang Task Force and to look at funding after school programs and child care.

Kelsey Vero spoke on the importance of Council to consider how the community wants funds to be spent and poverty being a contributor to crime.

Lee spoke on the community's demand that community engagement by law enforcement be decreased, to fund community programs, climate resiliency plans, and on environmental and social crisis.

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Rogers closed the public hearing at 9:07 p.m.

**A motion was made by Council Member Sawyer, seconded by Council Member Tibbetts, to waive reading of the text and adopt**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-106 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/22, THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/22 AND ESTABLISHING RESERVES FOR THE 2020/21 FISCAL YEAR**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Rogers, Council Member Alvarez, Council Member Fleming, Council Member Sawyer, Council Member Schwedhelm, and Council Member Tibbetts

**No:** 1 - Vice Mayor Rogers

**Mayor Rogers recessed the meeting at 10:00 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 10:07 p.m. Upon return from recess, Mayor Rogers announced Council had additional resolutions to adopt related to Item 15.1.**

**Present:** 6 - Mayor Chris Rogers, Vice Mayor Natalie Rogers, Council Member Eddie Alvarez, Council Member Victoria Fleming, Council Member John Sawyer, and Council Member Tom Schwedhelm

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Jack Tibbetts

**A motion was made by Council Member Sawyer, seconded by Council Member Schwedhelm, to waive reading of the text and adopt**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-107 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AUTHORIZING THAT PUBLIC FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT FEES FUNDED ("PFIF") PROJECTS CONTAINED WITHIN THE CITY BUDGET AND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM DOCUMENT CONTINUE TO REPLACE THE PFIF MAP AND LIST ON FILE WITH THE CITY ENGINEER AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS WITH REGARD TO CEQA REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE CITY BUDGET**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Rogers, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Alvarez, Council Member Fleming, Council Member Sawyer, and Council Member Schwedhelm

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Tibbetts

**A motion was made by Council Member Sawyer, seconded by Council Member Schwedhelm, to waive reading of the text and adopt as amended to align with the Council's decision on the prior resolution**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-108 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AMENDING THE CITY SALARY PLAN AND SCHEDULE AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT THESE CHANGES INCLUDED IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Rogers, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Alvarez, Council Member Fleming, Council Member Sawyer, and Council Member Schwedhelm

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Tibbetts

**A motion was made by Council Member Sawyer, seconded by Council Member Schwedhelm, to waive reading of the text and adopt**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-109 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA SETTING THE STORM WATER UTILITY BUDGET AND DETERMINING THE AMOUNT OF ELIGIBLE FUNDING THAT HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE FLOOD CONTROL ZONE 1A BENEFIT ASSESSMENT IN FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 AND BASED THEREON SETTING THE STORM WATER ASSESSMENT PER EQUIVALENT RESIDENTIAL UNIT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Rogers, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Alvarez, Council Member Fleming, Council Member Sawyer, and Council Member Schwedhelm

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Tibbetts

**A motion was made by Council Member Sawyer, seconded by Council Member Schwedhelm, to waive reading of the text and adopt**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-110 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING CERTAIN PROJECTS WITHIN THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET YEAR (CIP PROJECT NO. 770 AND NO. 2356)**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Mayor Rogers, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Alvarez, Council Member Sawyer, and Council Member Schwedhelm

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Tibbetts

**Recused:** 1 - Council Member Fleming

**A motion was made by Council Member Sawyer, seconded by Council**

**Member Schwedhelm, to waive reading of the text and adopt**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-111 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING CERTAIN PROJECTS WITHIN THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET YEAR (CIP PROJECT NO. 2041 AND NO. 2379)**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Mayor Rogers, Council Member Alvarez, Council Member Fleming, Council Member Sawyer, and Council Member Schwedhelm

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Tibbetts

**Recused:** 1 - Vice Mayor Rogers

**A motion was made by Council Member Sawyer, seconded by Council Member Schwedhelm, to waive reading of the text and adopt**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-112 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING CERTAIN PROJECTS WITHIN THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET YEAR (CIP PROJECT NO. 1903)**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Rogers, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Alvarez, Council Member Fleming, Council Member Sawyer, and Council Member Schwedhelm

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Tibbetts

## **14. REPORT ITEMS**

### **14.1 REPORT - AMENDMENT TO THE MEASURE O IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

BACKGROUND: Ordinance 3680 added Chapter 3-26 to the Santa Rosa City Code establishing a special transaction and use tax. The special tax measure, known as Measure O, increased sales tax by a quarter percent to fund specific Police, Fire, and Gang Prevention/Intervention programs, as set forth in the Ordinance.

An Implementation Plan was created on September 21, 2004, by Resolution No. 26069, which outlines the uses and purposes for which the special tax revenues may be used over time. The Implementation Plan has been revised several times since the original plan was adopted in 2004. In order to amend the Implementation Plan, the Ordinance requires six affirmative votes of the Council.

On November 10, 2015, the City Council approved a new format for the Implementation Plan, consisting of current and forecast budget amounts for all Measure O programs. This new Implementation Plan forecasts Measure O program budgets through Fiscal Year 2024-25

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Finance, Police, Fire, Recreation & Parks Departments, the Office of Community Engagement and the Measure O Citizens' Oversight Committee that the Council, by resolution, amend the Transaction and Use Tax Implementation Plan to: 1) adjust for Fiscal Year 2021-22 budget and forecasted budget amounts for all Measure O programs; and 2) make specific Implementation Plan staffing changes to the Police Department Measure O program.

Alan Alton, Deputy Director Finance, presented and answered questions from Council.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Ellen Bailey, Measure O Citizens Oversight Committee Chair, spoke stating the Committee approved the proposed changes and thanked the Police Department, Fire Department, Recreation Department, and the Office of Community Engagement for their work.

Elias Hinnert, Measure O Citizens Oversight Committee Member, submitted comment on his concern the Police Department's over representation of funding going to officer's salaries and equipment and the rise of gang violence in the community.

**A motion was made by Council Member Schwedhelm, seconded by Council Member Sawyer, to waive reading of the text and adopt**

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**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-113 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AMENDING THE TRANSACTION AND USE TAX IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR POLICE, FIRE AND GANG PREVENTION/INTERVENTION SERVICES**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Rogers, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Alvarez, Council Member Fleming, Council Member Sawyer, and Council Member Schwedhelm

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Tibbetts

**\*14.2 REPORT - COVID-19 RELATED PARKING USER FEE REDUCTIONS**

**BACKGROUND:** As part of the State's response to address the global COVID-19 outbreak, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency on March 4, 2020 to formalize emergency actions across multiple state agencies and departments. The declaration required all residents within the State to immediately heed the State public health directives and shelter at their place of residence except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of the federal critical infrastructure sectors.

Since March 2020, the County of Sonoma Health Officer has issued a series of health orders that in part limit business operations. This has resulted in reduced indoor operations, a collapse in revenue streams and reduced workforce hours.

On April 14, 2020, the City suspended parking fees. On June 16, 2020, the City Council approved resumption of paid parking and a variety of parking fee reductions and waivers intended to encourage activity and support the downtown economy. Specific waivers were implemented to remove the meter reservation fees associated with the placement of outdoor seating or parklets within existing areas designed as paid street parking. Council extended most of the parking fee reductions on December 15, 2020 to the earlier date of June 30, 2021 or when the County reaches the Yellow Tier of the State's COVID-19 restriction levels, whichever comes first. On April 27, 2021, Council approved extending the fee reductions to June 30, 2021, regardless of when the Yellow Tier was achieved.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Finance Department that the Council: 1) by motion, find good cause, under the Early Agenda Policy and the Open Government Ordinance, to consider this item, notwithstanding that the item did not appear on the preliminary agenda; and 2) by resolution, authorize an extension through December 31, 2021 of (a) the first hour free at the 3rd Street, 5th Street and D Street garages through December 31, 2021 (first hour is already free at the 1st and 7th Street garages), (b) one free metered parking session using the Passport mobile payment application, up to \$3.15 in value, to a maximum of \$31,500.00 since inception on July 1, 2020, and (c) A waiver of meter reservation fees for temporary parklets, outdoor seating and retail to expand business footprint to meet physical distancing requirements related to the COVID-19 health order.

City Attorney Sue Gallagher inform the Council this item did not appear on the Preliminary Agenda under the Council's Early Agenda Policy and Council would need to make findings of good cause to add this item to the agenda.

**A motion was made by Council Member Sawyer, seconded by Council Member Schwedhelm, to make findings of good cause that as a result of exceptional circumstances beyond the control of the Council due to the uncertain easing of restrictions due to Covid 19 and the impact of those restrictions to economic recovery, would impose a substantial burden on the City's ability to conduct it business and result in prejudice to a private person and for Council to add this to the agenda.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Rogers, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Alvarez, Council Member Fleming, Council Member Sawyer, and Council Member Schwedhelm

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Tibbetts

Kim Nadeau, Parking Manager - Finance Department, presented and answered questions from Council.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Cadance spoke on appreciation of Ms. Nadeau's work, the free parking after 5:00 p.m. was a big benefit to downtown businesses, and in support of this item.

Natalie Balfour spoke on behalf of Airport Business Center, thanked Ms. Nadeau and staff for their work and in support of the item.

**On a motion by Council Member Fleming, seconded by Vice Mayor Rogers, to waive reading of the text and adopt as amended**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2021-114 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A TEMPORARY REDUCTION AND WAIVER OF CERTAIN PARKING FEES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2021**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Rogers, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Alvarez, Council Member Fleming, Council Member Sawyer, and Council Member Schwedhelm

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Tibbetts

**5. REPORT, IF ANY, ON STUDY AND CLOSED SESSIONS**

No reports were provided.

**6. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS - NONE.**

**7. STAFF BRIEFINGS**

No public comments were made.

**7.1 COVID-19 RESPONSE UPDATE**

This will be a standing item on the agenda. No action will be taken except for possible direction to staff.

Interim City Manager Jeff Kolin reported Santa Rosa's wastewater treatment plant is participating in a national study funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Center for Disease Control to track and detect COVID-19 viral strains in local wastewater. Mr. Kolin also provided an update on Sonoma County COVID-19 vaccinations noting there is a plentiful supply of vaccinations.

**This item was received and filed.**

**7.2 COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT PLAN UPDATE**

This will be a standing item on the agenda. No action will be taken except for possible direction to staff.

Magali Telles, Deputy Director of Community Engagement, provided a brief update on Connect SR outreach with the Multi-Cultural Roots project, the Mary Lou Low-Rider, and alliance on remote education as featured projects. Ms. Telles also provided on the Citizen's Guidebook to Local Government, the Civic 101 videos, the Community Empowerment Plan feedback loop process, and the Crisis Response Team.

This item was receive and filed.

## **8. CITY MANAGER'S/CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS**

No reports were provided.

## **9. STATEMENTS OF ABSTENTION BY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

No statements of abstention were made.

## **10. MAYOR'S/COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Mayor Rogers provided a brief report on SMART.

### **10.1 MAYOR'S/COUNCIL MEMBERS' SUBCOMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS (AND POSSIBLE COUNCIL DIRECTION TO BOARD REPRESENTATIVE ON PENDING ISSUES, IF NEEDED)**

#### **10.1.1 Council Subcommittee Reports**

#### **10.1.2 Sonoma County Transportation Authority/Regional Climate Protection Authority (SCTA/RCPA)**

#### **10.1.3 Sonoma County Water Agency (SCWA) - Water Advisory Committee**

#### **10.1.4 Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)**

#### **10.1.5 Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District Advisory Committee**

#### **10.1.6 Sonoma Clean Power Authority (SCPA)**

#### **10.1.7 Zero Waste Sonoma (formerly known as Sonoma County Waste Management Agency (SCWMA))**

**10.1.8 Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)**

**10.1.9 Home Sonoma County (HSC)**

**10.1.10 Renewal Enterprise District (RED)**

**10.1.11 Public Safety Subcommittee**

**10.1.12 Other**

**11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - NONE.**

**13. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS - NONE.**

**16. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS - NONE.**

**13./17. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS**

Terry submitted comment in support of fiber to premises.

Joanna Meekin submitted comment on the small cell policy and supports fiber to the premises.

Mary Dahl submitted comment on a small cell tower in Rincon Valley.

Lundry submitted comment on not being willing to relocate to Santa Rosa due to small cell towers, and in support of fiber to the premises.

Orlean submitted comment regarding the small cell policy.

Sidnee Cox submitted comment on the small cell ordinance that will be going before Council for action.

Richard Boyd submitted comment on small cell towers, radiation exposure on Monte Verde Rd. and supports a fiber network in the city.

Catherine submitted comment on needing a safe wireless telecommunications ordinance in Santa Rosa and in support of fiber

to the premises.

Tom LaPorta submitted comment on language needed in a telecommunications ordinance and in support of fiber to the premises.

Jennifer LaPorta submitted comment on language needed in a telecommunications ordinance and in support of fiber to the premises.

**18. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS, RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION IN THE MAYOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM, RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS [IF NEEDED]**

**19. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

Hearing no further business, Mayor Rogers adjourned the meeting at 11:28 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on 29, 2021, at a time to be set by the Mayor.

**20. UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**20.1 UPCOMING MEETINGS LIST**

**This item was received and filed.**

**Approved on:**

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**Stephanie A. Williams**  
**City Clerk**