

City of Santa Rosa

Communications & Intergovernmental Relations Office 637 First Street Santa Rosa, CA 95404

Community Advisory Board Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, May 22, 2024 6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Weeks called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Chair Calum Weeks, Vice Chair Amy Holter, Board Member Duane
De Witt, Board Member Ariana Diaz De Leon, Board Member Henry
Huang, Board Member Jorge Inocencio, Board Member Kirstyne
Lange, Board Member Steve Rahmn, and Board Member Andrea
Rodriguez

Absent: 4 - Board Member Cherie Barnett, Board Member David Chen, Board Member Derek Knowles, and Board Member Angelina Vasquez

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved as submitted.

5. CAB ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ISSUES OF CONCERN TO CITY RESIDENTS

Member DeWitt made comments regarding the Native American museum that previously existed at Roseland School and how the City can support relocating the items from the museum. Member DeWitt recommended consideration of a request from Native Americans in his district for Roseland Creek Park to be renamed Pomo Park and Preserve. Additionally, Member DeWitt recommended attendance at the Memorial Day event at Franklin Park Cemetery.

Member Lange made comments regarding the closing of local SAY programs and how many of the youth that were served in that program have been placed at the Hanna Center. Member Lange

also announced the June 19, 2024, Right to Read program at the Rialto Cinemas.

Member Rahmn made comments regarding the road recovery taking place in Coffee Park and Fountaingrove and the community support for the contractor to extend working hours to complete the project. Member Rahmn also made comments regarding the concerns of citizens in his district about developers wanting to remove trees for new construction.

Member Inocencio made comments regarding concerns about accumulating trash around the Kaiser Roseland area that has not been removed and his experience with using the MySantaRosa ap to report his concerns to the City.

Vice Chair Holter made comments regarding the status of the Social Advocates for Youth Dream Center, and the efforts of First Five to start a countywide Imagination Library on June 1, 2024.

Member Diaz de Leon made comments regarding an event on May 26, 2024, at Live Oak Park in support of missing community member Bryant Palacios Zuniga.

Member Huang made comment regarding the City's stance on demanding a ceasefire in Gaza and recommended that the Citizen's Advisory Board discuss the issue and make a recommendation.

Chair Weeks made comments regarding the success of Bike to Work Day and the Rose Parade in Santa Rosa.

Public Comments:

None

6. STAFF UPDATES

Ana Horta, Community Engagement Manager, made comments regarding the success of Bike to Work Day and the Rose Parade. Manager Horta also commented upon the meetings that are being

scheduled with City Council Members and their Citizen's Advisory Board appointees. Additionally, Manager Horta made announcements regarding the following upcoming City events: Pride Parade on June 1, 2024 Independent Police Auditor Report on June 5, 2024 Juneteenth Celebration on June 15, 2024

Lon Peterson, Director Communications and Intergovernmental Relations Department, made comments regarding Water Awareness Week and responded to Member questions regarding security concerns during the Pride Parade.

Public Comments:

None

7. SCHEDULED ITEMS

7.1 TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

The Director of Transportation and Public Works, Dan Hennessey, will provide Capital Improvement Program and major project updates per district and respond to the Community Advisory Board's questions and concerns. Provided for information.

Dan Hennessey, Director Transportation and Public Works, gave a presentation and answered Member questions.

Public Comments:

None

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Member Huang recommended an agenda item for the next meeting regarding the Citizen's Advisory Board stance on a ceasefire in Gaza.

Member Lange recommended an update from the Homeless Services Department regarding data matrix and how the research is being applied to aid the community to be added to the next agenda. Member DeWitt recommended a discussion regarding the use of surplus buildings within the City and how they can be repurposed.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business, Chair Weeks adjourned the meeting at 7:32pm.

Approved on:

Steven V. Brown,
Recording Secretary