



**City Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes - Final**

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Wednesday, May 8, 2024

9:00 AM

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

Mayor N. Rogers called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Natalie Rogers, Vice Mayor Mark Stapp, Council Member Eddie Alvarez, Council Member Victoria Fleming, Council Member Dianna MacDonald, Council Member Jeff Okrepkie, and Council Member Chris Rogers

**2. REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER AB 2449 (IF NEEDED)**

**3. STUDY SESSION (CONTINUED FROM THE MAY 7, 2024, REGULAR MEETING)**

**3.1 REVIEW OF FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET**

It is recommended by the City Manager and Finance Department that the Council hold a Study Session intended to provide City Council the opportunity to receive information and ask questions related to the City's overall financial stability and the proposed Fiscal Year (FY), 2024-25 Operations and Maintenance Budget and the Capital Improvement Program budget. This item is provided for Council's information and no action is required.

Day 1 - May 7, 2024

City-wide overview and General Fund segment

Administrative and Public Safety\* Departments:

- City Council
- City Manager
- City Attorney
- Communications & Intergovernmental Relations
- Human Resources and Risk
- Finance Department
- Non-Departmental
- Information Technology
- Housing & Community Services

- Fire Department
- Police Department

Day 2 - May 8, 2024

- Planning & Economic Development
- Parks & Recreation
- Transportation & Public Works
- Water Department
- Capital Improvement Project

**Attachments:**    [Staff Report](#)  
[Presentation Full](#)  
[Presentation Day 1](#)  
[Presentation Day 2](#)  
[Late Correspondence \(Uploaded 05-07-2024\)](#)  
[Late Correspondence \(Uploaded 05-09-2024\)](#)

Gabe Osburn, Director of Planning and Economic Development, and Serena Lienau, Administrative Service Officer, presented and answered questions from Council regarding the Planning and Economic Development proposed FY 2024-25 budget.

Council Member MacDonald recused herself from the Recreation and Parks proposed budget presentation due to a personal relationship and left the dais at 10:07 a.m.

Donte Watson, Director of Recreation and Parks, presented and answered questions from Council regarding the Recreation and Parks proposed FY 2024-25 budget. Dan Hennessey, Director of Transportation and Public Works, Jen Santos, Deputy Director of Parks, Scott Wagner, Deputy Director of Finance, and Jeff Tibbetts, Deputy Director of Recreation, answered questions from Council regarding the proposed FY 2024-25 budget.

**Mayor N. Rogers recessed the meeting at 11:37 a.m. and reconvened at 12:12 p.m. All Council Members were present with the exception of Council Member C. Rogers who rejoined the meeting at 1:40 p.m.**

Dan Hennessey, Director of Transportation and Public Works,

presented and answered questions from Council regarding the Transportation and Public Works proposed FY 2024-25 budget. Rachel Ede, Deputy Director of Transit answered questions from Council regarding the proposed FY 2024-25 budget.

Jennifer Burke, Director of Santa Rosa Water, and Nick Harvey, Deputy Director of Administration, presented and answered questions from Council regarding the Santa Rosa Water proposed FY 2024-25 budget.

Dan Hennessey, Director of Transportation and Public Works, presented and answered questions from Council regarding the Capital Improvement Program proposed FY 2024-25 budget.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Thea Hensel spoke in support of the Southeast Greenway project and in support of parks.

Chris Bowen spoke in support of the Southeast Greenway project and in support of parks.

Eric Fraser spoke regarding the budget presentations and financial future of the City.

Abbey Arnold spoke in support of affordable housing.

Jen Klose, Generation Housing, spoke regarding impact fees as a tool to solve the housing crisis.

Heather Thurber spoke in support of allocations of park staff and funding to support development of the Southeast Greenway project.

Rebecca Sullivan, by speaker card, requested budgeting for school resource officer programs.

Melissa Stewart, by speaker card, requested funding for school

resource officer programs.

Public comment concluded.

Veronica Conner, Budget and Financial Analyst Manager, Alan Alton, Chief Financial Officer, Daryel Dunston, Assistant City Manager, Megan Basinger, Director of Housing and Community Services, and Jennifer Burke, Director of Santa Rosa Water, answered questions from Council regarding the proposed FY 2024-25 budgets.

City Council provided feedback and direction to staff regarding budget presentations.

**PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN ON THIS ITEM ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, AFTER ALL DEPARTMENTS HAVE MADE THEIR PRESENTATIONS.**

#### **4. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

Mayor N. Rogers adjourned the meeting at 2:52 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on May 21, 2024, at a time to be set by the Mayor.

**Approved on: June 4, 2024**

**/s/ Rhonda Bolla, Deputy City Clerk**