



**City Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft**

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Tuesday, November 13, 2018

2:00 PM

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

Mayor Coursey called the closed session to order at 2:10 p.m. Vice Mayor Rogers joined the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

**Present:** 5 - Mayor Chris Coursey, Vice Mayor Chris Rogers, Council Member Julie Combs, Council Member Ernesto Olivares, and Council Member Tom Schwedhelm

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member John Sawyer, and Council Member Jack Tibbetts

**2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

Mayor Coursey recessed the meeting to closed session at 2:10 p.m. to discuss Item 2.1:

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

Agency Designated Representatives: Jeremia Mills, Employee Relations Manager, Jon Holtzman of Renne Public Law Group, Anthony Gossner, Fire Chief and Chuck McBride, Chief Financial Officer.

Employee Organizations: Santa Rosa Firefighters Association - Local 1401 (representing City Employee Unit 2).

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

Name of Case: Nicholle Vannucci, et al. v. County of Sonoma, et al.  
Court Case No. USDC Northern District of California Case No. 3:18-cv-01955-VC

Mayor Coursey adjourned the closed session at 3:45 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

**3. STUDY SESSION - NONE.**

**4:00 P.M. (CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER)**

#### **4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 6 - Mayor Chris Coursey, Vice Mayor Chris Rogers, Council Member Julie Combs, Council Member Ernesto Olivares, Council Member Tom Schwedhelm, and Council Member Jack Tibbetts

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member John Sawyer

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

City Attorney Gallagher announced that Council provided direction to staff for Items 2.1 and 2.2.

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

#### **7. STAFF BRIEFINGS**

##### **7.1 FIRE RECOVERY AND REBUILD UPDATE**

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

David Guhin, Assistant City Manager provided a brief report on rebuild efforts. Bennett Horenstein, Director of Santa Rosa Water, provided a brief report regarding water contamination related to the October 2018 wildfires.

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

David Guhin, Assistant City Manager provided a brief report on the grants received by the Community Engagement Department to fund a Neighborfest pilot program.

#### **9. STATEMENTS OF ABSTENTION BY COUNCILMEMBERS**

#### **10. MAYOR'S/COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS**

The Mayor and Council Members made announcements and reports of interest to the Council.

Council Member Tibbetts requested a future agenda item to discuss Real Property Tax Transfer and its relation to affordable housing and homeless issues. Council Member Schwedhlem concurred with the request.

Vice Mayor Rogers provided a brief report on the Open Government Task Force Subcommittee meeting; Long Term Financial Policy and Audit Subcommittee; and the Mayor's/Council Members Meeting.

Vice Mayor Rogers announced his appointment of Michelle Edwards to the Art in Public Places Committee.

**10.1 MAYOR'S/COUNCILMEMBERS' 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 Sonoma County Waste Management Agency (SCWMA)**

**10.1.8 Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)**

**10.1.9 Other**

Council Member Schwedhelm provided a brief report on the Homeless System of Care Technical Advisory Committee

Council Member Combs provided a brief report on the CASA Subcommittee meeting; and requested that the all-electric ready ordinance and evergreen cost analysis item listed on the Upcoming Meetings List be placed as a report item.

**10.2 BOARD, COMMISSION & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS - NONE.**

## 11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

11.1 September 25, 2018, Regular Meeting.

**Approved as submitted.**

11.2 October 2, 2018, Regular Minutes.

**Approved as submitted.**

## 12. CONSENT ITEMS

Council Member Sawyer joined the meeting at 4:14 p.m.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Peter Tscherneff spoke regarding Item 12.1.

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Chris Coursey, Vice Mayor Chris Rogers, Council Member Julie Combs, Council Member Ernesto Olivares, Council Member John Sawyer, Council Member Tom Schwedhelm, and Council Member Jack Tibbetts

### Approval of the Consent Agenda

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rogers, seconded by Council Member Combs, to waive reading of the text and adopt Consent Items 12.1 through 12.5. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Mayor Coursey, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Combs, Council Member Olivares, Council Member Sawyer, Council Member Schwedhelm, and Council Member Tibbetts

12.1 MOTION - CONTRACT AWARD TUBBS FIRE DAMAGE - METAL BEAM GUARDRAIL REPAIR -CITYWIDE

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by motion, award Contract No. C02226, Metal Beam Guardrail Repair - Citywide, in the amount of \$189,950.00 to the lowest responsible bidder, BRM Construction of Sanger, California, approve a 15% contract contingency, and authorize a total contract amount of \$218,442.50.

**This Consent - Motion was approved.**

12.2 MOTION - CONTRACT AWARD TUBBS FIRE DAMAGE - COFFEY

**PARK - PARK DEBRIS REMOVAL AND SOIL REMEDIATION**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by motion, award Contract No. C02228, Coffey Park - Park Debris Removal and Soil Remediation, in the amount of \$142,748.00 to the lowest responsible bidder, Team Ghilotti, Inc. of Petaluma, California, approve a 15% contract contingency, and authorize a total contract amount of \$164,160.20.

**This Consent - Motion was approved.**

**12.3 RESOLUTION - SPEED LIMITS ON CORBY AVENUE, DUTTON AVENUE, SEBASTOPOL ROAD, WEST AVENUE, THIRD STREET, WEST THIRD STREET, NORTH WRIGHT ROAD AND SOUTH WRIGHT ROAD**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by resolution, establish City speed limits following engineering and traffic surveys for Corby Avenue, Dutton Avenue, Sebastopol Road, and West Avenue, segments that were formerly under Sonoma County jurisdiction prior to the Roseland Annexation, and establish speed limits following engineering and traffic surveys for Third Street, West Third Street, North Wright Road and South Wright Road, lowering the speed limit by 5 mph on a portion of South Wright Road and leaving all other speeds unchanged.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2018-197 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMITS ON CORBY AVENUE, DUTTON AVENUE, SEBASTOPOL ROAD, WEST AVENUE, THIRD STREET, WEST THIRD STREET, NORTH WRIGHT ROAD AND SOUTH WRIGHT ROAD**

**12.4 RESOLUTION - APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDER FOR SEVEN 2018 CAB AND CHASSIS WITH UTILITY SIDE PACKS AND DUMP INSERTS.**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works and Finance Departments, that the Council, by resolution, approve a purchase order to Towne Ford, Redwood City, California for the purchase of seven (7) 2018 cabs and chassis with utility side packs

and dump inserts, in an amount not to exceed \$395,471.56.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2018-198 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING A PURCHASE ORDER TO TOWNE FORD, REDWOOD CITY, CALIFORNIA FOR SEVEN 2018 CAB AND CHASSIS WITH UTILITY SIDE PACKS AND DUMP INSERTS**

**12.5 RESOLUTION - APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE CITY'S SALARY PLAN AND SCHEDULE**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Human Resources Department that the Council, by resolution, approve and adopt the City's Salary Plan and Schedule.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2018-199 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY'S SALARY PLAN AND SCHEDULE**

The time not being 5:00 p.m., Mayor Coursey took Report Item 14.1 before Item 13 - Public Comment on non-agenda items.

**13. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS**

Peter Tscherneff spoke regarding various topics.

Gail Simons spoke regarding the recent wildfires in Butte County.

Fred Krueger spoke regarding traffic congestion in Roseland.

Andy Ferguson spoke regarding all-electric ready fees.

Thomas Ells spoke regarding the construction and the Stony Point and Elliot crossings.

Scott Wagner spoke regarding the Technical Advisory Committee, Center for Disease and Control and Prevention efforts, and the efforts brought forward by the Board of Supervisors.

Brad Morrison spoke regarding the confusion of a grace periods

provided in public parking garages.

## 14. REPORT ITEMS

### 14.1 REPORT - HOLIDAY SHOPPING GARAGE USER FEE REDUCTION

**BACKGROUND:** The City has received a request from the Downtown Action Organization requesting free parking in the City's five public garages in the evening, during the holiday shopping season, to promote retail activity in the downtown.

In August 2017, the City Council approved implementation of progressive parking strategies to be effective January 1, 2018. Part of those strategies included shifting the hours of metered parking from 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. in the high demand core (Premium Zone) of downtown to improve turnover and access to parking to support downtown businesses. The more vehicles turnover at the curb, the more customers are provided easy access to the businesses adjacent to the curb to shop and dine, which spurs downtown economic vitality. The strategies are also designed to encourage and change habits regarding long term parking in off-street facilities by offering longer time limits and lower hourly rates in garages and lots with parking capacity.

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended by the Planning and Economic Development Department and the Finance Department that the Council, by resolution, approve free parking in the five public garages between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. from November 23, 2018 through December 31, 2018.

Presented by Kim Nadeau, Parking Manager.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Peter Rumble spoke in support of extending the holiday hours to the weekend.

Tom Robertson spoke in support of extending the holiday hours to the weekend.

Sonu Chandi spoke in support of extending the holiday hours to the weekend.

Elizabeth Webley spoke in support of extending the holiday hours to the weekend.

Gerard Nebissky spoke in support of free parking in downtown.

Thomas Ells spoke in support of reduced parking rates during the holiday season.

Peter Tscherneff spoke regarding various topics.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2018-200 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING HOLIDAY FREE PARKING AT THE PUBLIC PARKING GARAGES BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 6:00 P.M. AND 8:00 P.M. FROM NOVEMBER 23, 2018 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2018**

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

**Yes:** 7 - Mayor Coursey, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Combs, Council Member Olivares, Council Member Sawyer, Council Member Schwedhelm, and Council Member Tibbetts

#### **14.2 REPORT - ANNUAL POLICE AUDITOR'S REPORT**

**BACKGROUND:** Mr. Aaronson has conducted audits of the Police Department's policies, practices and records, met with various stakeholders in the community, participated in ride-alongs with patrol, and responded to and assisted complainants. He will present his annual report to Council.

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended by the City Manager's Office that Council, by motion, accept the annual report from Robert Aaronson, Independent Police Auditor (IPA) to the Santa Rosa Police Department.

Presented by Bob Aaronson, Independent Police Auditor.



## PUBLIC COMMENT

Kathleen Finigan spoke in support of the item and the homelessness issues.

Anita Lafollette spoke in support of the item and the homelessness issues.

Scott Wagner spoke in support of the item and the homelessness issues.

Brad Morrison spoke in support of the item and the concerns of the law enforcement processes.

Merlin Davis spoke in support of the item and the concerns of the law enforcement processes.

Thomas Ells spoke in support of the item.

**A motion was made by Council Member Sawyer, seconded by Council Member Combs, to accept the annual report from Robert Aaronson, Independent Police Auditor (IPA) to the Santa Rosa Police Department. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Coursey, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Member Combs, Council Member Sawyer, Council Member Schwedhelm, and Council Member Tibbetts

**No:** 1 - Council Member Olivares

## **15. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE.**

## **16. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS (AND POSSIBLE COUNCIL ACTION)**

### **16.1 QUARTERLY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES ATTENDANCE REPORT.** Provided for information.

**This item was received and filed.**

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS - NONE.**

**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 Coursey adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will take place on November 27, 2018, at a time set by the Mayor.

**20. UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**20.1 UPCOMING MEETINGS LIST**

**This item was received and filed.**

Approved on:

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Daisy Gomez  
City Clerk