



**City Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft**

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Tuesday, October 23, 2018

1:00 PM

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

Mayor Coursey called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

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

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Ernesto Olivares

**2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS - NONE.**

**3. STUDY SESSION**

**3.1 JENNINGS AVENUE RAILROAD CROSSING**

For years, residents have used Jennings Avenue to cross the railway. When the SMART train was initially being considered and the original EIR document was circulated, a North Area Station was planned at Jennings Avenue along with a crossing at this location. Over the years, the City has recognized the need for a crossing at Jennings Avenue and it has been documented in several City Council approved planning documents, including the Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan, the North Station Area Plan and the City's General Plan.

Following an extensive EIR process, the City certified the Final EIR and submitted an application to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to allow the City to construct an at-grade crossing at Jennings Avenue. To the exuberance of the City and community, CPUC approved the City's request on September 15, 2016. Council authorized staff to negotiate a construction agreement with SMART later that year, which was finalized and delivered to SMART for execution in June 2017. SMART has not yet acted on this agreement and on August 20, 2018, SMART issued a letter explaining that they no longer support the construction of an at-grade crossing at Jennings Avenue.

Presented by Jason Nutt, Director of Transportation and Public

Works.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Janet Barocco spoke in support of the Jennings Avenue railroad crossing.

Johanna James spoke in support of Jennings Avenue railroad crossing.

Thomas Ells spoke in support of Jennings Avenue railroad crossing.

James Duncan spoke in support of Jennings Avenue railroad crossing.

Steve Birdlebough, Sierra Club, spoke in support of Jennings Avenue railroad crossing.

Jack Swearengen spoke in support of Jennings Avenue railroad crossing.

Teri Shore, Green Belt Alliance, spoke in support of Jennings Avenue railroad crossing.

Willard Richards spoke in support of Jennings Avenue railroad crossing.

**This item was received and filed.**

## 3.2 CLIMATE ACTION PLANNING UPDATE

In 2005, the City Council adopted a resolution establishing Citywide greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction targets in response to state goal setting. Since then, the City has adopted a Communitywide Climate Action Plan (CCAP) and a Municipal Climate Action Plan (MCAP). This study session will review City activities taken in support of the Climate Action Plans.

Council Member Olivares joined the meeting at 2:49 p.m.

Presented by Jessica Jones, Supervising Planner.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Thomas Ells spoke regarding alternative resources.

Christine Hoex, 350 Sonoma Action Group, in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Kevin Conway, Friends of the Climate Action Plan, spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Laura Neish, Executive Director of 350 Bay Area and Steering Committee Member of 350 Sonoma, spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Mike Turgeon, Friends of the Climate Action Plan, spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Diane Wheeler, Friends of the Climate Action Plan, spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Andrew Ferguson, Friends of the Climate Action Plan, spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Tom Conlon, Sierra Club Sonoma Group, spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Debbi Yamagishi spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Alima Silverman, Rebuild Green Coalition and Friends of the Climate Action Plan, spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Sunny Galbraith, 350 Sonoma Action Group, spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Teri Shore, North Bay Greenbelt Alliance, spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Duane DeWitt spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Otis Wheeler spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Mayor Coursey recessed the meeting at 5:02 p.m. and Vice Mayor Rogers reconvened 5:24 p.m.

**This item was received and filed.**

**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

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

**Present:** 6 - 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

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Chris Coursey

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

#### **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.

There was nothing to report.

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

There was nothing to report.

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

Council Member Sawyer announced that he would be abstaining on Items 11.1 and 11.2.

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

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

Council Member Combs requested a future agenda item to discuss an All Electric Ordinance with information on the Evergreen cost analysis. Council Member Tibbetts concurred with the request.

### **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**

## **11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 11.1 August 7, 2018, Regular Meeting.  
**Approved as submitted, with Council Member Sawyer abstaining.**
- 11.2 August 14, 2018, Regular Meeting.  
**Approved as submitted, with Council Member Sawyer abstaining.**

## **12. CONSENT ITEMS**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Duane DeWitt spoke regarding Item 12.4; and in support of tree replacement and street repair.

Michael Hilber spoke regarding Item 12.2 and in support of the City using chipseal.

### **Approval of the Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made by Council Member Tibbetts, seconded by Council Member Sawyer, to waive reading of the text and adopt Consent Items 12.1 through 12.6. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Absent:** 2 - Mayor Coursey, and Council Member Combs

**12.1 RESOLUTION - SECOND AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT - TRINITY ADJUSTORS, INC. DBA RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Human Resources Department that the Council, by resolution, approve the Second Amendment to Professional Services Agreement No. F000889 with Trinity Adjustors, Inc. dba Risk Management Services in an amount not to exceed \$270,000.

**This Consent - Resolution was approved.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2018-183 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT NUMBER F000889 WITH TRINITY ADJUSTORS, INC. DBA RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION SERVICES**

**12.2 RESOLUTION - REJECT ALL BIDS - FULTON RD RECONSTRUCTION - OCCIDENTAL RD TO W 3RD ST**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by resolution, reject all bids for Construction Contract No. C00780 for the Fulton Road Reconstruction - Occidental Road to W 3rd Street.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2018-184 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR THE FULTON RD RECONSTRUCTION - OCCIDENTAL RD TO W 3RD ST CONTRACT NO. C00780**

- 12.3** RESOLUTION - AGREEMENT WITH AVAIL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FOR CONTINUED MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT FOR CITYBUS PASSENGER INFORMATION SYSTEMS

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by Resolution, approve a five-year Maintenance and Support Agreement with Avail Technologies, Inc., of State College, Pennsylvania, in order to maximize CityBus' initial capital investment in automated vehicle location systems, that will consist of five annual payments not to exceed a total of \$497,117.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2018-185 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING A FIVE-YEAR MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT WITH AVAIL TECHNOLOGIES, INC., FOR CITYBUS AUTOMATED VEHICLE LOCATION SYSTEMS, WITH FIVE ANNUAL PAYMENTS NOT TO EXCEED A TOTAL OF \$497,117**

- 12.4** RESOLUTION - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN TREE MEDICS, INC. TO PROVIDE AN ARBORIST REPORT OF FIRE DAMAGED STREET TREES

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Recreation and Parks Department that Council, by resolution, 1) approve the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Santa Rosa, and American Tree Medics, Inc., Modesto, CA in an amount not to exceed \$102,036 to provide an Arborist Report for street trees damaged by the October 2017 wildfires; and, 2) adjust the fiscal year (FY) 2018-19 budget by increasing appropriations by \$102,036, and increasing revenue estimates totaling \$95,659.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2018-186 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE**

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**COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN TREE MEDICS, INC.**

**12.5 RESOLUTION - 2018-2020 CALIFORNIA VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION GRANT FUNDING AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZATION**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Office of Community Engagement that the Council, by Resolution: 1) award California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Program grants to Individuals Now (doing business as Social Advocates for Youth) in the amount of \$170,000, and Lifeworks of Sonoma County in the amount of \$130,000; and 2) authorize the City Manager to approve and execute grant funding agreements with these grantees, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2018-187 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AWARDED CALIFORNIA VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION (CALVIP) PROGRAM GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALS NOW (DOING BUSINESS AS SOCIAL ADVOCATES FOR YOUTH) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$170,000, AND LIFEWORCS OF SONOMA COUNTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$130,000 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE GRANT FUNDING AGREEMENTS**

**12.6 RESOLUTION - FIRST AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH LPC CONSULTING ASSOCIATES, INC.**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Office of Community Engagement that the Council, by resolution, approve the First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement F001773 with LPC Consulting Associates, Inc. for CalVIP grantee evaluation services, increasing compensation by \$50,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$150,000.

**This Consent - Resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2018-188 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT F001773 WITH**

**LPC CONSULTING ASSOCIATES, INC.**

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

Council Member Combs left the meeting at 5:43 p.m.

Gina Huntsinge, General Manager of Snoopy's Home Ice, spoke regarding the events being held at Snoopy's Home Ice.

Duane DeWitt spoke regarding the new home development at the Village Station; spoke in opposition to the Housing Authority issuing funds to the Burbank Housing Corporation.

Denise Couey spoke regarding the concerns of Recology and requested that a website be provided.

Katie Price spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

**Present:** 5 - Vice Mayor Chris Rogers, Council Member Ernesto Olivares, Council Member John Sawyer, Council Member Tom Schwedhelm, and Council Member Jack Tibbetts

**Absent:** 2 - Mayor Chris Coursey, and Council Member Julie Combs

**14. REPORT ITEMS**

**14.1 REPORT - RUSSELL AVENUE PUBLIC SERVICE EASEMENT VACATION**

**BACKGROUND:** REQUEST FOR SUMMARY VACATION OF A 15-FOOT WIDE PUBLIC SEWER EASEMENT LOCATED AT 562 RUSSELL AVENUE APN 180-010-011, AND A 25-FOOT PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT LOCATED AT 562 RUSSELL AVENUE AND 648 RUSSELL AVENUE

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended by the Planning and Economic Development Department and the Water Department that the Council, by resolution, approve a summary vacation of a 15-foot wide Sanitary Sewer Easement and a 25-foot wide Public Utility Easement, located on the properties of 562 and 648 Russell Avenue, respectively.

Presented by Amy Nicholson, City Planner, and Bill Rose, Supervising Planner.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. RES-2018-189 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA FOR A SUMMARY VACATION OF A 15-FOOT WIDE SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT LOCATED AT 562 RUSSELL AVENUE APN 180-010-011, AND A 25-FOOT WIDE PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT LOCATED AT 562 RUSSELL AVENUE AND 648 RUSSELL AVENUE, APNS 180-010-011 AND 180-010-013 - FILE NO. VAC18-003**

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

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

**Absent:** 2 - Mayor Coursey, and Council Member Combs

**15. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE.**

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

**17. 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, Vice Mayor Rogers adjourned the meeting at 5:54 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will take place on October 30, 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