



City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

12:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor N. Rogers called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

Present: 6 - Mayor Natalie Rogers, Council Member Eddie Alvarez, Council Member Victoria Fleming, Council Member Dianna MacDonald, Council Member Jeff Okrepkie, and Council Member Chris Rogers

Absent: 1 - Vice Mayor Mark Stapp

2. REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER AB 2449 (IF NEEDED)

3. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

No public comments were made.

Mayor N. Rogers recessed to closed session at 12:03 p.m. to discuss Items 3.1 and 3.2 as listed on the agenda.

Present: 6 - Mayor Natalie Rogers, Council Member Eddie Alvarez, Council Member Victoria Fleming, Council Member Dianna MacDonald, Council Member Jeff Okrepkie, and Council Member Chris Rogers

Absent: 1 - Vice Mayor Mark Stapp

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

Name of Case: Angelina Lopez, et al. vs. City of Santa Rosa, et al.
Court Case No.: USDC Northern District of California Case No.
3:22-cv-05270-LB

3.2 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR
(Government Code Section 54956.8)

Property: 730 3rd Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95404
Agency Negotiator: Jill Scott, Real Property Negotiator, and Stephanie Valkovic, Associate Real Property Negotiator
Negotiating Parties: 10 E Street, LLC and Burbank Housing Development Corporation, a California non-profit corporation
Under Negotiations: Price and terms of payment.

Mayor N. Rogers adjourned closed session at approximately 2:10 p.m. and reconvened to the study session at 2:20 p.m.

4. INTERVIEWS FOR BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

4.1 INTERVIEWS FOR THE SANTA ROSA TOURISM BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA ADVISORY BOARD AND THE BOARD OF BUILDING REGULATION APPEALS

The Council will conduct interviews to fill positions on the Santa Rosa Tourism Business Improvement Area Advisory Board and the Board of Building Regulation Appeals.

Council interviewed the following applicants for the Santa Rosa Tourism Business Improvement Area Advisory Board:

Steven Boswell
Tony Pace

Dina Manis, City Clerk, announced that the applicant for the Board of Building Regulation Appeals, John Gordon, was unable to attend the meeting due to unanticipated circumstances, but asked to still be considered for appointment.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Duane De Witt asked that whoever is appointed to the Tourism Board considers and treats Roseland equally as it has the potential to be a revenue generator.

5. STUDY SESSION

5.1 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION REGIONAL MAPPING AND WAYFINDING PROJECT PROTOTYPE IMPLEMENTATION

It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council hold a Study Session on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's Regional Mapping and Wayfinding prototype signage program. This item is provided for Council's

information and no action will be taken except for possible direction to staff.

Matthew Wilcox, Transit Planner, Rachel Ede, Deputy Director - City Bus, and Gordon Hansen, Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), presented and answered questions from Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Eris Weaver, Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition, spoke in support of more wayfinding and provided suggestions to improve wayfinding tools.

Duane DeWitt spoke in support of wayfinding and schedule panels, and provided additional suggestions for consideration.

5.2 UPDATE ON THE STATE AND LOCAL BALLOT MEASURES FOR NOVEMBER 2024 GENERAL ELECTION

It is recommended by the Communications and Intergovernmental Relations Office that the Council hold a Study Session to receive an update on the various state and local ballot measures and discuss possible Council action to support or oppose these measures. This item is provided for Council's information and no action is required to be taken except for possible direction to staff for the September 24 council meeting.

Scott Alonso, Government Affairs Officer, presented and answered questions from Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Duane DeWitt spoke on the item, specifically Proposition 5, the continued growth of taxes, and charging for services at the library.

Council provided direction to staff.

5.3 CITY COUNCIL VOTING PROCESS FOR CERTAIN APPOINTED POSITIONS

It is recommended by the City Attorney, that the Council hold a Study Session to provide Council an opportunity to review the voting processes City Council uses to appoint individuals to vacant Council Member seats, members of boards, commissions and committees appointed by the full Council, and Mayor and Vice Mayor. This item is provided for Council's information and no action will be taken, but the Council may discuss and provide direction to staff.

Teresa Stricker, City Attorney, presented and answered questions from Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Duane De Witt spoke in support of holding special elections to fill a vacancy on Council instead of an appointment process, for other appointments in support of using Ranked Choice Voting for filling other appointed positions, and overall inclusion of the public in selecting leaders.

Council provided direction to staff.

6. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ROLL CALL (IF NEEDED)

7. REPORT, IF ANY, ON STUDY AND CLOSED SESSIONS

Teresa Stricker, City Attorney, reported no additional report out on study session items 5.1 through 5.3 as they had just concluded, and that there was no reportable action on Items 3.1 and 3.2 from closed session.

No public comments were made.

8. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

8.1 PROCLAMATION - CREEK WEEK AND POLLUTION PREVENTION WEEK 2024

Mayor N. Rogers read and presented the proclamation to Michael Santarini, Natural Resources Specialist. Michael Santarini provided a brief comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Duane De Witt spoke on the item and expressed appreciation to Santa Rosa Water staff to holding these events, along with appreciation of Recreation and Parks staff that facilitates the parks clean up events.

9. STAFF BRIEFINGS

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Duane De Witt spoke in support of all staff briefings.

9.1 SUMMER 2024 UPDATE FROM THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

Staff will provide an update to the Council on the Recreation and Parks Department.

Donte Watson, Director - Recreation and Parks, presented and answered questions from Council.

9.2 INVESTING NOW TO SECURE OUR WATER FUTURE EDUCATION AND OUTREACH CAMPAIGN

Staff will share the rollout of Santa Rosa Water's latest outreach campaign aimed at educating water customers about the value of water, the need to continually invest in our shared water infrastructure, and the role rate setting plays in ensuring a reliable water future. The multi-media campaign highlights the people, the infrastructure, and the environmental stewardship that are necessary to deliver high quality water and sewer service to Santa Rosa. It will also include an overview of the rate setting process and how customers can stay informed. The City Council may discuss this item and give direction to staff.

Elise Miller, Communications Coordinator - Santa Rosa Water, presented and answered questions from Council.

9.3 COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT PLAN UPDATE

This is a standing item on the agenda. No action will be taken except for

possible direction to staff.

Ana Horta, Community Engagement Manager, presented and answered questions from Council.

10. CITY MANAGER'S/CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

There were no reports from City Manager Maraskeshia Smith or City Attorney Stricker.

11. STATEMENTS OF ABSTENTION BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Okrepkie announced recusal from Item 14.1 due to financial conflict of interest as Green Vine Landscaping is his client.

12. MAYOR'S/COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS

Council Member MacDonald provided a brief report on various community events attended.

Mayor N. Rogers provided a brief report on meetings and community events attended.

No public comments were made.

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

12.1.1 Council Subcommittee Reports

Council Member Fleming provided a report on the Climate Action Subcommittee.

Council Member Okrepkie provided a report on the Economic Development Subcommittee.

12.1.2 Sonoma County Transportation Authority/Regional Climate Protection Authority (SCTA/RCPA)

Council Member C. Rogers provided a brief report.

12.1.3 Sonoma County Water Agency (SCWA) - Water Advisory Committee

12.1.4 Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)

12.1.5 Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District Advisory Committee

12.1.6 Sonoma Clean Power Authority (SCPA)

12.1.7 Zero Waste Sonoma (formerly known as Sonoma County Waste Management Agency (SCWMA))

12.1.8 Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)

12.1.9 Sonoma County Homeless Coalition

12.1.10 Renewal Enterprise District (RED)

12.1.11 Public Safety Subcommittee

12.1.12 Other

12.2 BOARD, COMMISSION & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

12.2.1 Council may vote to make appointments to the following boards:

- Santa Rosa Tourism Business Improvement Area Advisory Board - One vacancy for Full-Service Hotel Operator.
 - Steven Boswell
 - Tony Pace
- Board of Building Regulation Appeals - Three vacancies with terms ending 12/31/2025.
 - John Gordon

No public comments were made.

A motion was made by Council Member Okrepkie, seconded by Council Member Alvarez, to approve appointment of Steven Boswell for the SRTBIA Full-Service Hotel Operator vacancy and John Gordon to the BOBRA vacancy. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Council Member Eddie Alvarez, Council Member Dianna MacDonald, and Council Member Jeff Okrepkie

No: 3 - Mayor Natalie Rogers, Council Member Victoria Fleming, and Council Member Chris Rogers

Absent: 1 - Vice Mayor Mark Stapp

A motion was made by Council Member Fleming, seconded by Council

Member Alvarez, to approve appointment of Steven Boswell to the Santa Rosa Tourism Business Improvement Area Advisory Board Full-Service Hotel Operator vacancy. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Council Member Eddie Alvarez, Council Member Victoria Fleming, Council Member Dianna MacDonald, and Council Member Jeff Okrepkie

No: 2 - Mayor Natalie Rogers, and Council Member Chris Rogers

Absent: 1 - Vice Mayor Mark Stapp

A motion was made by Council Member MacDonald, seconded by Council Member Okrepkie, to approve appointment of John Gordon to the Board of Building Regulation Appeals. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Mayor Natalie Rogers, Council Member Eddie Alvarez, Council Member Victoria Fleming, Council Member Dianna MacDonald, Council Member Jeff Okrepkie, and Council Member Chris Rogers

Absent: 1 - Vice Mayor Mark Stapp

13. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

13.1 August 20, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes.

Approved as submitted.

14. CONSENT ITEMS

Mayor N. Rogers pulled Item 14.1 from the Consent Calendar and asked questions. Jen Santos, Deputy Director - Parks, Alan Alton, Chief Financial Officer, and City Attorney Stricker responded.

Council Member MacDonald announced recusal on Item 14.1 due to a personal relationship.

14.1 RESOLUTION - SPLIT BID AWARD - GENERAL SERVICE AGREEMENTS FOR CITYWIDE LANDSCAPE SERVICES

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Recreation and Parks and Finance Departments that the Council, by resolution, approve a split bid award of Invitation for Bid 24-08 and approve two General Services Agreements: 1) F002850 Brightview Landscape Services, Inc., Santa Rosa, California (Brightview) for Section 1 Parks Lawn

Maintenance in the amount of \$2,821,488.1; and 2) F002853 Green Vine Landscaping, Inc., Santa Rosa, California for Section 3 Tax District Maintenance in the amount of \$136,800, for a total not to exceed \$2,958,288.12. The agreements are firm fixed prices for a period of three years, with two one-year renewal options, commencing on December 1, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEM 14.1:

Duane De Witt spoke on Item 14.1, expressed support of Recreation and Parks staff and the work they do, and provided suggestions for alternative work force to do maintenance work.

A motion was made by Council Member Alvarez, seconded by Council Member Rogers, to waive reading of the text and adopt

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2024-142 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING A SPLIT BID AWARD AND APPROVAL OF TWO GENERAL SERVICE AGREEMENTS FOR CITYWIDE LANDSCAPE SERVICES WITH BRIGHTVIEW LANDSCAPE SERVICES, INC. AND GREEN VINE LANDSCAPING, INC.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Mayor Natalie Rogers, Council Member Eddie Alvarez, Council Member Victoria Fleming, and Council Member Chris Rogers

Absent: 1 - Vice Mayor Mark Stapp

Recused: 2 - Council Member Dianna MacDonald, and Council Member Jeff Okrepkie

Approval of the Consent Agenda

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS 14.2 through 14.8:

Duane De Witt spoke on Item 14.8.

A motion was made by Council Member Alvarez, seconded by Council Member MacDonald, to waive reading of the text and adopt Consent Items 14.2 through 14.8. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Mayor Natalie Rogers, Council Member Eddie Alvarez, Council Member Victoria Fleming, Council Member Dianna MacDonald, Council Member Jeff Okrepkie, and Council Member Chris Rogers

Absent: 1 - Vice Mayor Mark Stapp

14.2 RESOLUTION - APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR POLICE RADIO EQUIPMENT

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Police and Finance Departments that the Council, by resolution, approve the issuance of a Purchase Order for the purchase of Motorola LTE cellular capable radios and associated software utilizing the pricing from the Houston Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Interlocal Cooperative Solicitation #RA05-21 with Motorola Solutions, Inc., for a total amount not to exceed \$333,325.19.

This Consent - Resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2024-143 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE COOPERATIVE PURCHASE OF LTE CELLULAR CAPABLE RADIOS AND ASSOCIATED SOFTWARE UNDER THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL (H-GAC) SOLICITATION RA05-21 WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC.

14.3 RESOLUTION - ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT PROGRAM EXTENSION

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Police Department that the Council, by resolution, approve the 10-year extension of the Santa Rosa Police Departments participation in the Sonoma County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Program, through June 30, 2035, and delegate authority to the City Manager or the City Manager's designee to execute all agreements and amendments with the Sonoma County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

This Consent - Resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2024-144 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING THE 10YEAR EXTENSION OF THE ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT PROGRAM UNTIL JUNE 30, 2035, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS AND AMENDMENTS WITH THE SONOMA COUNTY ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT SERVICE AUTHORITY

14.4 RESOLUTION - ACCEPTANCE OF REVISED AWARD OF ADDITIONAL CCMU GRANT FUNDS

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Police Department that the Council, by resolution: 1) accept a revised award for additional funding from the Sonoma County Department of Health Services (DHS) for Crisis Care Mobile Units (CCMU) Program funding in the amount of \$166,667 for a total grant award amount of \$513,076; 2) authorize the City Manager or designee to execute award documents and any additional documents for administration of the grant; and 3) appropriate \$166,667 of grant funds to an already established project key.

This Consent - Resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2024-145 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA ACCEPTING A REVISED AWARD OF CRISIS CARE MOBILE UNITS (CCMU) GRANT FUNDS

14.5 RESOLUTION - ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE BYRNE DISCRETIONARY GRANTS PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Police Department that the Council, by resolution: 1) accept a grant award from the Bureau of Justice Assistance-Byrne Discretionary Community Project Funding in the amount of \$898,000; 2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all related award documents required for receiving such funds; and 3) appropriate \$898,000 of grant funds to a project key to be established by the Chief Financial Officer.

This Consent - Resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2024-146 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA ACCEPTING GRANT FUNDING FROM THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE - BYRNE DISCRETIONARY COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$898,000; AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS; APPROPRIATE FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$898,000; AND AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO ESTABLISH A PROJECT KEY

14.6 RESOLUTION - SECOND AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT NUMBER F002053 WITH MARK A CLEMENTI, PH.D.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Santa Rosa Police Department that the Council, by resolution, approve the Second Amendment to Professional Services Agreement Number F002053 with Mark A Clementi, Ph.D., Santa Rosa, California to provide preemployment psychological evaluations, return to duty/fitness for duty psychological evaluations and critical incident stress debriefings and authorize the City Manager or her designee to sign all related contractual documents, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

This Consent - Resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2024-147 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT NUMBER F002053 WITH MARK A CLEMENTI, PH.D.

14.7 RESOLUTION - CITY OF SANTA ROSA AND OAKMONT VILLAGE ASSOCIATION SECOND AMENDMENT FOR CITYBUS ROUTE 16

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by resolution, approve the Second Amendment to Oakmont Village Association Agreement for Santa Rosa CityBus to provide a deviated fixed route bus service for the Oakmont community for an additional one year, and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the Amendment.

This Consent - Resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2024-148 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING A SECOND AMENDMENT TO OAKMONT VILLAGE ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AND THE OAKMONT VILLAGE ASSOCIATION TO PROVIDE CITYBUS DEVIATED FIXED ROUTE BUS SERVICES FOR THE OAKMONT COMMUNITY AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SECOND AMENDMENT

14.8 RESOLUTION - EXTENSION OF PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL HOMELESS EMERGENCY

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Housing and Community Services Department that the Council, by resolution,

approve an extension of Resolution No. 28839 which formally proclaimed a local homeless emergency within Santa Rosa

This Consent - Resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2024-149 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA EXTENDING A PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL HOMELESS EMERGENCY (Government Code Sections 8630 et seq.)

15. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

Abigail Zoger spoke in support of A Week Without Driving.

Duane De Witt spoke on Patriots Day on September 11, 2024 event for Veterans, first responders, their families and friends, and shared a letter from 2017 regarding the Pomo Indians.

16. REPORT ITEMS - NONE.

17. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE.

18. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

- 18.1 NOTICE OF FINAL MAP - STONEBRIDGE SUBDIVISION PHASE 2 - Provided for information.

No public comments were made.

This item was received and filed.

19. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

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

21. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Mayor N. Rogers adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at a time set by the Mayor.

22. UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 22.1 UPCOMING MEETINGS LIST

This item was received and filed.

Approved on:

Dina Manis
City Clerk