



MINUTES JOINT REGULAR CITY COUNCIL/ PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

February 12, 2019

City of Watsonville
Council Chambers
275 Main Street, Top Floor

4:05 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL

Mayor Estrada, Mayor Pro Tempore Garcia, and Council Members Coffman-Gomez (arrived at 4:11 p.m.), González, Hernandez (arrived at 4:11 p.m.), Hurst, and Parker were present.

Planning Commission Chair Kammer and Planning Commissioners Rodriguez, Sarmiento, Tavaréz, and Veitch-Olson were present.

2. REPORTS TO COUNCIL – No Action Required

2.A. ETHICS TRAINING (ASSEMBLY BILL 1234)

CITY COUNCIL

6:01 p.m.

City Council Chambers
275 Main Street, Top Floor

3. CLOSED SESSION

(City Council Conference Room, 275 Main Street, 4th Floor)

- (a) Public Comments regarding the Closed Session agenda were accepted by the City Council at that time.
- (b) Closed Session Announcement
The City Council recessed the regular Council Meeting to discuss those items listed on the Closed Session Statement attached to the Agenda.

3.A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

(Government Code § 54956.8)

- 1. Property: 280 Main Street (APN: 017-182-16)
Negotiating parties: Matt Huffaker (City)
Navigator Schools, a corporation
Under Negotiation: Lease terms and conditions

3.B. PERSONNEL MATTERS

(Government Code Section 54957)

- 1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT

Title: City Attorney

2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Title: City Attorney

7:00 p.m.

4. **ROLL CALL**

Mayor Estrada, Mayor Pro Tempore Garcia, and Council Members Coffman-Gomez, González, Hernandez, Hurst, and Parker were present.

Staff members present were City Manager Huffaker, City Attorney Smith, City Clerk Vázquez Flores, Public Works & Utilities Director Palmisano, Police Chief Honda, Fire Chief Barreto, Airport Director Williams, Deputy City Manager Vides, Assistant Police Chief Sims, Fire Division Chief Lopez, Administrative Services Manager Gordo, Fire Captain Vojvoda, Senior Financial Analyst Duran, Assistant City Clerk Ortiz, Assistant Engineer Gregorio, Administrative Analyst Meyer, and Interpreter Vázquez-Quintero.

5. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

6. **INFORMATION ITEMS—Written Report(s) Only**

6.A. **REPORT OF DISBURSEMENTS**

6.B. **MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS REPORT**

7. **PRESENTATIONS & ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Continued)**

7.A. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & CITY COUNCIL**

Steve Trujillo, District 7, announced that Joaquin “El Chapo” Guzman had convicted of drug trafficking and would serve life in prison. He spoke about Assembly Bill 11 which would incentivize creation of affordable housing. He invited the public to visit the Watsonville Public Library.

Gary Richard Arnold spoke about the threat of globalization and communism and accused several local public officials of participating in organizations that promote those goals.

Assistant Engineer Gregorio invited Council and public to the 16th Annual Egg Drop Event.

Dr. Nancy Bilicich, Pájaro River Watershed Flood Prevention Authority Member, announced that she had been appointed Vice Chair and gave updates on work being done to reinforce water infrastructure. She thanked the Parks & Community Services Department for replacing the medians on Bridge Street.

Victorius Alexander spoke about the importance of human rights and government transparency.

Member Parker commended the City for the median improvements on Bridge Street and thanked Assistant Public Works & Utilities Director Rodriguez for inspecting traffic safety in District 7.

Member Hurst thanked those who supported him through the passing of his mother.

Member Hernandez spoke about his participation in the Mayor's Bike Ride and in the 25th Annual Peace and Unity March.

Member Gonzalez spoke about his participation in the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District Board of Directors Meeting. He also spoke about his meeting with Jennifer Panetta, Executive Directive at Santa Cruz County Housing Authority, regarding efforts to help landlords participate in the voucher program.

Member Coffman-Gomez invited the public to upcoming community events. She announced that the Fire Department would have sand bags available during heavy rain.

Mayor Pro Tempore Garcia spoke about her participation in Affordable Housing Santa Cruz County and their efforts to collaborate with other agencies to pursue affordable housing. She spoke about her meeting with Mary Cardenas, Executive Director of Santa Cruz Community Ventures, and their pursuit of savings accounts for children. She asked the public to replace their carbon monoxide alarms as they needed to be replaced every seven (7) years.

Mayor Estrada spoke about events he attended over the previous weeks and invited the public to upcoming Parks Master Plan Workshops. He offered to speak with youth at any school.

7.B. MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION COMMENDING PÁJARO VALLEY PREVENTION AND STUDENT ASSISTANCE FOR THEIR VALUABLE SERVICE AND DEVOTED COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP TO THE PÁJARO VALLEY

7.C. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Smith reported that Council received reports on all items listed on the Closed Session Agenda, but took no action.

8. REPORTS TO COUNCIL (Continued)—No Action Required

8.A. STATE OF METRO BY SANTA CRUZ METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ALEX CLIFFORD

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Public Input on any Consent Agenda Item

In regards to Item 9.I., Gary Richard Arnold spoke negatively about the League of California Cities and asked Council not to be swayed by their lobbying efforts.

Victorius Alexander spoke favorably about Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District but asked that drivers receive classes on how to deal with the mentally ill.

Regarding Item 9.A., Council Member Hurst asked that the spellings of Mr. Sinnott and Janneke Strause's names be corrected.

MOTION: It was moved by Member Coffman-Gomez, seconded by Member Gonzalez and carried by the following vote to approve the Consent Agenda:

AYES: MEMBERS: Coffman-Gomez, García, González, Hernandez, Hurst,
Parker, Estrada
NOES: MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: MEMBERS: None

- 9.A. **MOTION APPROVING MINUTES OF JANUARY 22, 2019, MEETING**
- 9.B. **RESOLUTION NO. 15-19 (CM):
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING \$150,000 GRANT FROM CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (OES) FOR THE FY2017 PRE-DISASTER
MITIGATION COMPETITIVE GRANT FOR THE PREPARATION OF A LOCAL
HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**
- 9.C. **RESOLUTION NO. 16-19 (CM):
RESOLUTION RATIFYING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH
SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION (SEIU), LOCAL 521, CLERICAL
TECHNICAL UNIT FOR THE TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2019 AND ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2020.**
- 9.D. **ORDINANCE NO. 1376-19 (CM):
ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 14-16 (DISTRICT
REGULATIONS) OF TITLE 14 (ZONING) OF WATSONVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE
ESTABLISHING A MOBILE HOME PARK EXCLUSIVE-USE OVERLAY DISTRICT**
- 9.E. **ORDINANCE NO. 1377-19 (CM):
ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 1 (LOCAL
STANDARDS & REGULATIONS FOR MOBILE HOMES & PARKS) OF TITLE 11
(MOBILE HOMES & PARKS) OF WATSONVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE CLARIFYING
REGULATORY CONTROLS OVER MOBILE HOME PARKS**
- 9.F. **ORDINANCE NO. 1378-19 (CM):
ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 11-2.03 (ELIGIBILITY) OF CHAPTER 2 (MOBILE
HOMES ON SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL LOTS) OF TITLE 11 (MOBILE HOMES
& PARKS) OF WATSONVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE
DESIGN REVIEW STANDARDS FOR A MOBILE HOME LOCATED ON A SINGLE-
FAMILY RESIDENTIAL LOT**
- 9.G. **ORDINANCE NO. 1379-19 (CM):
ORDINANCE APPROVING ESTABLISHMENT OF A R-MH RESIDENTIAL
MANUFACTURED HOME PARK DISTRICT & DIRECTING CHANGES TO BE MADE
ON THE ZONING MAP**
- 9.H. **RESOLUTION NO. 17-19 (CM):
RESOLUTION APPOINTING COUNCIL MEMBERS TO THE CITY/COUNTY/SCHOOL
GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE**
- 9.I. **MOTION ACCEPTING WRITTEN REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS
REGARDING CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE - AS REQUIRED BY AB 1234 --
LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES NEW MAYORS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS**

ACADEMY (JANUARY 16-18, 2019 SACRAMENTO, CA.) (MAYOR ESTRADA AND COUNCIL MEMBER GONZALEZ)

10. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA (None)

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.A. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE WATSONVILLE BRILLANTE ART PROJECT AT THE RODRIGUEZ STREET PARKING GARAGE

1) Staff Report

The report was given by Deputy City Manager Vides and the Artist, Kathleen Crocetti.

2) City Council Questions

Deputy City Manager Vides, Susanne Roberts-Breubeck of Rinaldi Tile, and Ms. Crocetti answered questions from Mayor Pro Tempore Garcia regarding cost of water and electricity associated with the project, in-kind contributions by the City, potential for students who participate in the project to receive school credits, and revisions to the City public arts guidelines.

Deputy City Manager Vides and Assistant Public Works & Utilities Director Rodriguez answered questions from Member Coffman-Gomez regarding permit requirements for the project, required maintenance to prepare the building for the project, and the proposed lease at Muzzio Park Community Center.

City Manager Huffaker stated the City anticipated spending about \$1,000 on electricity and water contributions toward the project.

Deputy City Manager Vides answered questions from Member Gonzalez regarding required maintenance to prepare the building for the project, recommendation for waiving permit fees, and execution of an agreement with the artist that protects the City. Member Gonzalez asked that local artists be used to complete the project.

3) Public Input

The following speakers spoke favorably about Kathleen Crocetti and asked Council to support the project:

Steve Trujillo

Heidi Alonzo, Artist and High School Teacher

Judy Stabile, Pájaro Valley Arts Council

Judy Gittlesohn, Artist

4) City Council Discussion

Member Coffman-Gomez spoke in support of the proposed project.

Member Hurst commended Judy Stabile and Judy Gittlesohn for their art contributions to the City. He spoke in favor of the proposed project.

Member Gonzalez requested that the artist create an apprentice program as part of the project to help students learn a trade.

Member Coffman-Gomez requested a time-lapse video of the project.

- 5) **MOTION DIRECTING STAFF TO PROCEED WITH THE WATSONVILLE BRILLANTE PROJECT AT THE RODRIGUEZ STREET PARKING GARAGE AND PREPARE A LEASE FOR THE MUZZIO PARK COMMUNITY CENTER FOR 5 YEARS AT \$1.00 PER YEAR**
- 6) **RESOLUTION NO. 18-19 (CM):
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WATSONVILLE BRILLANTE ART PROJECT LOCATED ON CITY PROPERTY; APPROVING IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS REQUESTED BY THE ARTIST; WAIVING CITY BUILDING PERMIT FEES ESTIMATED AT \$10,500; AND AUTHORIZING A \$60,000 BUDGET APPROPRIATION FROM THE GENERAL FUND**
- 7) **MOTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY AGREEMENTS**

MOTION: It was moved by Member Hernandez, seconded by Member Coffman-Gomez and carried by the following vote to direct staff to proceed with the Watsonville Brillante Project at the Rodriguez Street Parking Garage and prepare a lease for the Muzzio Park Community Center for 5 years at \$1.00 per year, approve the above resolution 11.A.6), and authorize and direct the city manager to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements:

AYES:	MEMBERS:	Coffman-Gomez, Garcia, Gonzalez, Hernandez, Hurst, Parker, Estrada
NOES:	MEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	MEMBERS:	None

11.B. CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACT WITH LDA PARTNERS, INC., A CORPORATION, TO PREPARE A LONG-TERM FACILITIES MASTER PLAN FOR THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL SERVICE CENTER, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000

1) Staff Report

The report was given by Administrative Services Manager Gordo.

2) City Council Questions

Administrative Services Manager Gordo answered questions from Member Garcia regarding input from staff and funding sources for the project.

Administrative Services Manager Gordo and Public Works & Utilities Director Palmisano answered questions from Member Coffman-Gomez regarding potential elevation of the Municipal Services Center to mitigate flood threats, timeline for the project, and plan to increase work space for employees.

In answering Member Gonzalez, Administrative Services Manager Gordo stated part of the project would include capturing water runoff and other environmentally sensitive improvements.

- 3) **Public Input (None)**
- 4) **City Council Discussion (None)**
- 5) **RESOLUTION NO. 19-19 (CM):
RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT TO LDA PARTNERS, INC., A CORPORATION, TO PREPARE A LONG-TERM FACILITIES MASTER PLAN FOR THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL SERVICE CENTER, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE CONTRACT; AND AUTHORIZING A \$150,000 BUDGET APPROPRIATION FROM THE SOLID WASTE FUND**

MOTION: It was moved by Member Hurst, seconded by Member Parker and carried by the following vote to approve the above resolution 11.B.5):

AYES:	MEMBERS:	Coffman-Gomez, Garcia, Gonzalez, Hurst, Parker, Estrada
NOES:	MEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	MEMBERS:	Hernandez

12. EMERGENCY ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA

13. REQUESTS & SCHEDULING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Member Gonzalez asked for an item at a future meeting to discuss potential of closing of Lincoln Street during school hours for Watsonville High School.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

/s/Francisco Estrada

Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/Beatriz Vázquez Flores

City Clerk

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