

# MINUTES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING



September 10, 2019

City of Watsonville  
Council Chambers  
275 Main Street, Top Floor

**4:31 p.m.**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Mayor Estrada, Mayor Pro Tempore Garcia and Council Members Coffman-Gomez, González, Hernandez (arrived at 4:40 p.m.), Hurst, and Parker were present.

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

**2.A. REPORT OF DISBURSEMENTS**

**2.B. MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS REPORT**

**3. REPORTS TO COUNCIL**

**3.A. INTRODUCTION OF METRO'S PROPOSED WATSONVILLE CIRCULATOR BUS PROJECT**

**3.B. PRESENTATION BY ANDREA SILVA SOLANO & TARA LEONARD, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY, TOBACCO CONTROL, REGARDING FLAVORED TOBACCO AND YOUTH APPEAL**

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Public Input on any Consent Agenda Item**

Donna Ramos spoke in support of Item 4.F.

Member Coffman-Gomez spoke in support of Item 4.A. She asked the public to pay attention to public works projects listed on the Consent Agenda and assured the public she reviewed the projects to make sure they were beneficial.

Member Parker commended Joyce Parr for her willingness to serve on the Library Board.

Member Coffman-Gomez spoke favorably about Joyce Parr.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Member Hurst, seconded by Member Hernandez 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

**4.A. RESOLUTION NO. 136-19 (CM):**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 5 WITH BAY PACIFIC PIPELINE, INCORPORATED, FOR THE MAÑANA LANE SANITARY SEWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT INCREASING THE SCOPE OF WORK, IN AN AMOUNT**

**NOT TO EXCEED \$175,000 (TOTAL PROJECT AMOUNT \$1,914,672.04); APPROVING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$175,000 FROM THE WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND [0710]**

- 4.B. RESOLUTION NO. 137-19 (CM):  
RESOLUTION AWARDED BID TO DENALI WATER SOLUTIONS, LLC., FOR THE WWTP BIOSOLIDS LOADING, TRANSPORTATION, & BENEFICIAL REUSE THREE YEAR CONTRACT PROJECT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,019,100 (\$450,000 WILL BE FUNDED ANNUALLY FROM THE WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND [710])**
- 4.C. RESOLUTION NO. 138-19 (CM):  
RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOYCE PARR TO THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**
- 4.D. RESOLUTION NO. 139-19 (CM):  
RESOLUTION NOMINATING MAYOR PRO TEMPORE GARCIA TO BE REAPPOINTED TO THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ LATINO AFFAIRS COMMISSION**
- 4.E. RESOLUTION NO. 140-19 (CM):  
RESOLUTION NOMINATING DIVISION FIRE CHIEF AVILA FOR REAPPOINTMENT TO THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ADVISORY COMMISSION**
- 4.F. RESOLUTION NO. 141-19(CM):  
RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ENACT H. R. RESOLUTION 763 - ENERGY INNOVATION & CARBON DIVIDEND ACT OF 2019**
- 4.G. ORDINANCE NO. 1391-19 (CM):  
FINAL ADOPTION OF UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE APPROVING REZONING ON APN: 015-111-36 LOCATED AT 58 HANGAR WAY & APN: 015-111-37 LOCATED AT 5 NIELSON STREET, WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA, FROM INDUSTRIAL PARK DISTRICT (IP) TO INSTITUTIONAL (N) TO ALLOW CONSTRUCTION OF AN 11,424± SQUARE FOOT MEDICAL OFFICE BUILDING ON A 1.01± ACRE SITE, AND DIRECTING CHANGES TO BE MADE ON THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE**
- 5. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Estrada recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 5:24 p.m.

**5:30 p.m.**

**6. 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.

**6.A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR**

(Government Code § 54956.8)

1.     Property:                     101 and 103 Main Street (APN: 017-561-11)  
       Negotiating parties:       Tamara Vides (City)  
                                      Bender Rosenthal Incorporated for  
                                      Pacific Gas & Electric  
       Under Negotiation:        Price and terms of payment
  
2.     Property:                     114 East Fifth Street (APN: 018-242-01)  
       Negotiating parties:       Tamara Vides (City)  
                                      Association of Watsonville Area Seniors  
       Under Negotiation:        Terms of Lease

**6.B CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION**

(Government Code Section 54956.9)

Pending litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(1):

1.     Name of case:               Marianne Perhach v City of Watsonville, et al. - Santa  
                                      Cruz County Superior Court (Case No. 19CV02198)

**6:30 p.m.**

**7. 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 Lopez, Library Director Heitzig, Information Technology Director Boyes, Parks & Community Services Director Calubaquib, Deputy City Managers Manning and Vides, Assistant Public Works & Utilities Director Rodriguez, Assistant Police Chief Sims, Fire Captain Vojvoda, Principal Engineer Green, Administrative Analyst Ibarra, and Interpreter Vázquez-Quintero.

**8. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**9. PRESENTATIONS & ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**9.A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Maria Elena de la Garza, executive director at Community Action Board of Santa Cruz County, announced the launch of Watsonville Works Work Experience Crew Program.

Maria Medina, program coordinator of Watsonville Works, explained the purpose of her program and spoke about its success.

Ivan Ortiz Avalos, case manager at Community Action Board, spoke about the success of the Watsonville Works program.

Monique Sanchez, Watsonville Works, spoke about her role in helping homeless residents.

Angie Moreno, South County housing coordinator at Community Action Board, spoke about her work to assist the homeless population and stated there was funding available to assist with housing needs.

Gary Richard Arnold spoke in support of President Trump and stated welfare networks and Sanctuary Cities harm the Country. He spoke against Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments and the threat of globalization.

Jeff Manker, president at Monterey Bay Birding Festival, thanked the City for their support of the festival and invited the public to attend.

Ron Chesshire, Monterey Santa Cruz County Building and Construction Trades Council, thanked Council for their support over their years and offered to meet with Council to discuss apprenticeships.

Steve Trujillo invited the public to work with Kathleen Crocetti on tile work. He announced Assembly Bill 1482 had been approved by State Senate and would lead to rent control Statewide.

Manuel Pinheiro, chief executive officer at Monterey Santa Cruz County Building and Construction Trades Council, introduced himself to Council and thanked the City for their efforts to promote fair wages for labor.

Daniel Dodge Jr., District 5 resident and Pájaro Valley Unified School District Board Trustee, invited the Council and public to attend PVUSD Meetings. He asked the public to meet with him to discuss their concerns regarding PVUSD.

**9.B. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

City Attorney Smith stated Council received reports on Items 6.A.1 and 6.A.2, but took no action. He added that in regards to Item 6.B., Council authorized special counsel to defend the City and employee involved by filing answer to complaint.

**10. PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES, & APPEALS**

**10.A. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION RESCINDING CHAPTER 6 (ELECTION CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION CONTROL) OF TITLE 1 (GENERAL PROVISIONS) OF THE WATSONVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE & ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 6 ENTITLED ELECTION CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION CONTROL**

**1) Staff Report**

The report was given by City Attorney Smith.

**2) City Council Clarifying & Technical Questions**

In answering Member Parker, City Attorney Smith and City Clerk Vázquez Flores explained the proposed changes of the ordinance.

City Attorney Smith answered questions from Mayor Pro Tempore Garcia regarding contribution limits as outlined by the City's ordinance.

In answering Member Parker, City Clerk Vázquez Flores explained the election cycle.

In answering Member Hernandez, City Clerk Vázquez Flores stated the City was proposing a \$500 contribution limit for individuals in order to be consistent with the County.

Mayor Pro Tempore Garcia stated she would support initiating campaign reporting requirements after receiving \$2,000 as opposed to \$1,000.

In answering Member Coffman-Gomez, City Clerk Vázquez Flores stated she was recommending setting reporting requirements to start after receiving \$2,000 in order to be consistent with the State.

**3) Public Hearing**

Mayor Estrada opened the Public Hearing.

Steve Trujillo thanked the City Clerk's Office for their help through the nomination period. He spoke in support of staff recommendation.

Seeing no one else approach the podium, Mayor Estrada closed the Public Hearing.

- 4) MOTION:** It was moved by Member Hernandez, seconded by Member Gonzalez to introduce the following ordinance with requirement of a statement of organization to be filed with the Secretary of State once a candidate raises \$2,000 in contributions:

**ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION RESCINDING CHAPTER 6 (ELECTION CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION CONTROL) OF TITLE 1 (GENERAL PROVISIONS) OF THE WATSONVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE & ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 6 ENTITLED ELECTION CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION CONTROL**

**5) City Council Deliberation on the Motion**

In answering Member Parker, City Attorney Smith clarified staff recommendation.

Member Hernandez spoke about the challenges in meeting Fair Political Practices Commission requirements and deadlines.

Member Parker spoke in support of staff recommendation.

Member Hurst spoke about challenges all candidates have in campaigning.

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

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

## 11. NEW BUSINESS

### 11.A. CONSIDERATION OF PURCHASE OF A NEW LAW ENFORCEMENT RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$450,000, FROM CENTRAL SQUARE TECHNOLOGIES & AGREEMENT WITH SANTA CRUZ CONSOLIDATED EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER, A JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY, FOR THE ADMINISTRATION & MAINTENANCE OF THE SANTA CRUZ METRO RECORDS SYSTEM (SCMRS)

#### 1) Staff Report

The report was given by Police Chief Honda.

#### 2) City Council Clarifying & Technical Questions

In answering Mayor Pro Tempore Garcia, Police Chief Honda explained the reasons the Sheriff's Office was looking to improve their records management system.

Police Chief Honda answered questions from Member Coffman-Gomez regarding benefits a joint powers authority would have on the community, specifics on how police would be able to access information via the new system, and storage of footage for body worn cameras.

In answering Member Parker, Police Chief Honda spoke about inclusion of Information Technology staff Countywide and expectations of the software.

#### 3) Public Input

Steve Trujillo asked for better collaboration between enforcement agencies in order to get better responses.

Daniel Dodge Jr., District 5 resident, thanked Police for their work and asked the public to support Measure G.

#### 4) **MOTION:** It was moved by Member Coffman-Gomez, seconded by Member Hernandez to approve the following resolutions:

##### a) **RESOLUTION NO. 142-19 (CM):**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A NEW LAW ENFORCEMENT RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FROM CENTRAL SQUARE TECHNOLOGIES, TO PROVIDE STORAGE, RETRIEVAL, RETENTION, MANIPULATION, ARCHIVING & VIEWING OF INFORMATION, RECORDS, DOCUMENTS, OR FILES PERTAINING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$450,000 FROM THE SALES TAX MEASURE G FUND**

##### b) **RESOLUTION NO. 143-19 (CM):**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH CONSOLIDATED EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER (SANTA CRUZ REGIONAL 9-1-1) FOR SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION & MAINTENANCE OF THE SANTA CRUZ METRO RECORDS SYSTEM (SCMRS), IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$114,701 FOR FY19/20, THE COST SHARING PERCENTAGE FOR THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE SHALL BE RE-**

**CALCULATED EVERY THREE YEARS IN FEBRUARY & IMPLEMENTED  
THAT UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR**

**5) City Council Deliberation on the Motion**

Member Coffman-Gomez spoke about the benefits the new system would bring the community.

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

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

**11.B. CONSIDERATION OF \$4,248,000.00 BID AWARD TO K.J. WOODS CONSTRUCTION, INC., FOR AIRPORT FREEDOM TRUNK SEWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

**1) Staff Report**

The report was given by Danielle Green, Principal Engineer.

**2) City Council Clarifying & Technical Questions**

In answering Mayor Pro Tempore Garcia, Principal Engineer Green explained how the City would move the sewer line and close the previous section.

In answering Member Hurst, Public Works & Utilities Director Palmisano explained cost sharing for the project with the County of Santa Cruz.

Principal Engineer Green answered questions from Member Gonzalez regarding K.J. Woods Construction Inc. qualifications to work with pipes with asbestos, impact the project would have on Airport operations, processing of the project labor agreement, and proposed work outside of City limits.

Principal Engineer Green answered questions from Member Coffman-Gomez regarding project labor agreement requirements and processing, prevailing wage requirements, reporting to Department of Industrial Relations, and efforts by staff to provide best cost estimates to prevent additional costs for work.

City Manager Huffaker spoke about the challenges in working with sewer lines and stated it was common for additional work to be needed as projects moved forward.

Public Works & Utilities Director Palmisano answered questions from Member Coffman-Gomez regarding financing of the project.

Member Hurst stated anyone could bid on projects.

**3) Public Input**

Ron Chesshire, Monterey Santa Cruz Building and Construction Trades Council, spoke about challenges in awarding bids to local contractors and spoke about benefits of project labor agreements.

In answering Member Gonzalez, Mr. Chesshire spoke about requirements of project labor agreements to hire local laborers and offered to meet with Council to discuss potential improvements to the City's master project labor agreement.

Manuel Pinheiro, chief executive officer at Monterey Santa Cruz County Building and Construction Trades Council, spoke in favor of one of the contractors bidding for the project.

- 4) **MOTION:** It was moved by Member Hernandez, seconded by Member Gonzalez to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 144-19 (CM):  
RESOLUTION AWARDED \$4,248,000 BID TO K. J. WOODS CONSTRUCTION, INC., FOR THE AIRPORT FREEDOM TRUNK SEWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT, CONTINGENT UPON EXECUTION OF THE FINAL BUDGET APPROVAL FINANCING AMENDMENT BY THE STATE WATER BOARD CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND STAFF; & AUTHORIZING A BUDGET APPROPRIATION OF AN ADDITIONAL \$992,000 IN CWSRF LOAN REVENUES & \$948,000 IN EXPENDITURES FROM THE WATER ENTERPRISE FUND**

- 5) **City Council Deliberation on the Motion**  
Member Hernandez spoke about the importance of maintaining City sewer lines in a timely manner.

Member Hurst stressed the importance of moving the project forward and providing for apprentice opportunities for union workers.

In answering Member Parker, Public Works & Utilities Director Palmisano spoke about efforts by the City to replace sewer pipes in a timely manner.

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

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

## 9. PRESENTATIONS & ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Continued)

### 9.C. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COUNCIL

Member Hurst invited the public to celebrate Rhea DeHart's birthday.

Member Parker spoke about her participation in the Kawakamii tour and spoke about her attendance at the Commissioners Barbecue.

Mayor Pro Tempore Garcia spoke about the resolution passed at the previous meeting regarding support for reasonable rent increases, just evictions, and relating housing code enforcement activities. She clarified the Council had not adopted rent control requirements but policies that protects both landlords and tenants from unfair treatment.

Member Coffman-Gomez invited the public to upcoming community events.



Member Gonzalez announced the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District was seeking members for the Metro Advisory Committee and looking to hire bus drivers. He stated Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission's Alternative Analysis Study was still available and asked the public to participate. He encouraged parents to have their children participate in Pájaro Valley Little League's Fall Ball.

Member Hernandez invited the public to upcoming community events.

Mayor Estrada spoke about his attendance at several Back to School Nights and invited the public to upcoming community events.

**10. EMERGENCY ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA**

**11. REQUESTS & SCHEDULING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

/s/ Francisco Estrada

Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Beatriz Vázquez Flores

City Clerk

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