



City of Fort Bragg

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Meeting Minutes City Council

*THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL MEETS CONCURRENTLY
AS THE FORT BRAGG MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
NO. 1 AND THE FORT BRAGG REDEVELOPMENT
SUCCESSOR AGENCY*

Monday, February 27, 2023

6:00 PM

Town Hall, 363 N. Main Street
and Via Video Conference

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Norvell called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Mayor Bernie Norvell, Vice Mayor Jason Godeke, Councilmember Tess Albin-Smith, Councilmember Lindy Peters and Councilmember Marcia Rafanan

AGENDA REVIEW

1. MAYOR'S RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON: (1) NON-AGENDA, (2) CONSENT CALENDAR & (3) CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

(1) Jay McMartin-Rosenquist requested an update on the South Whipple Street receivership. (2) None. (3) N/A.

3. STAFF COMMENTS

None.

4. MATTERS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Rafanan reported on the Local Cultural Ad Hoc Committee. Councilmember Peters reported on the buy-back recycling center progress, stating that a mobile unit will be located in the alley behind Piaci's. He recommended that the City work with Native Americans to celebrate their culture on Indigenous Peoples' Day in October. Councilmember Albin-Smith said the Visit Fort Bragg event subcommittee is working on Restaurant Week March 13-19. Vice Mayor Godeke said the Local Cultural Ad Hoc Committee is currently focusing on tribal member history. He noted that he was invited to join Chief Cervenka at a healthcare round table at the hospital. Mayor Norvell spoke about working with local service organizations on the beautification of the downtown. The Mayor said he will leave for Riverside on Sunday for a CalCOG meeting. He attended a healthcare district meeting last week. The district has been struggling to get people on board; he asked the City's HR department to help them with the recruitments.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Albin-Smith asked that Items 5C and 5D be removed from the Consent Calendar for further discussion.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Councilmember Albin-Smith, to approve the Consent Calendar with the exception of Items 5C and 5D. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Norvell, Vice Mayor Godeke, Councilmember Albin-Smith, Councilmember Peters and Councilmember Rafanan

5A. [23-027](#) Adopt City Council Resolution Rescinding a Local Emergency in the City of Fort Bragg

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

5B. [23-040](#) Approve a Letter in Support of the Noyo Harbor Multimodal Circulation Planning Effort Seeking Funds from Caltrans' Sustainable Communities Transportation Planning Grant

This Council Letter was approved on the Consent Calendar.

5E. [23-057](#) Approve Amendment to Agreement between the County of Mendocino and the City of Fort Bragg Regarding Additional Funding for the Emergency Winter Shelter

This Amendment was approved on the Consent Calendar.

5F. [23-050](#) Receive and File Minutes of the October 13, 2022 Public Works and Facilities Committee Meeting

These Committee Minutes were received and filed on the Consent Calendar.

5G. [23-053](#) Approve Minutes of February 13, 2023

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

5H. [23-058](#) Adopt AMENDED City Council Resolution No. 4653-2023 Approving the Creation of the Administrative Assistant -- Confidential and Manager - Special Projects Classifications; Establishing Salary Rate Compensation Plan; and Confirming All City of Fort Bragg Established Classifications

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Councilmember Albin-Smith, that this Amended Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Mayor Norvell, Vice Mayor Godeke, Councilmember Albin-Smith and Councilmember Rafanan

Abstain: 1 - Councilmember Peters

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

- 5C.** [23-043](#) Adopt City Council Resolution Authorizing Affordable Housing Agreement and Declaration to Transfer Stewardship of Inclusionary Housing Unit located at 435-B N. Whipple Street to Housing Mendocino Coast

In response to Councilmember Albin-Smith's request for an explanation of this agenda item, Special Projects Manager McCormick said that the inclusionary housing ordinance triggered this, explaining that the non-profit Housing Mendocino Coast is handling the sale directly with the buyer instead of the City.

Public Comment was received from Shelley Green and Jacob Patterson.

A motion was made by Councilmember Albin-Smith, seconded by Councilmember Peters, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Norvell, Vice Mayor Godeke, Councilmember Albin-Smith, Councilmember Peters and Councilmember Rafanan

- 5D.** [23-055](#) Adopt City Council Resolution Authorizing the Extension of the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Program

City Attorney Collins and Police Chief Cervenka responded to questions from Councilmember Albin-Smith regarding the funds involved in the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement program.

Public Comment: None.

A motion was made by Councilmember Albin-Smith, seconded by Vice Mayor Godeke, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Norvell, Vice Mayor Godeke, Councilmember Albin-Smith, Councilmember Peters and Councilmember Rafanan

6. DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

7. PUBLIC HEARING

8. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- 8A.** [23-049](#) Receive Presentation About Programmatic Permitting for State of California Middle-Mile Broadband Network in Coastal Zone and Consider Adoption of City Council Resolution in Support of Consolidated Coastal Development Permit Processed by the California Coastal Commission

Dotrik Wilson, Matt Smith, and Robert King of the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and Melba Policicchio of California Coastal Commission were in attendance and helped present this item to the City Council.

Public Comment: None.

A motion was made by Councilmember Rafanan, seconded by Councilmember Peters, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Norvell, Vice Mayor Godeke, Councilmember Albin-Smith, Councilmember Peters and Councilmember Rafanan

- 8B. [23-056](#) Receive Report and Consider Adoption of City Council Resolution Approving Budget Amendment No. 2022/23-15 for \$36,000 to Fund the Care Response Unit (CRU) Team Through the End of the Fiscal Year 2022/23 and Authorize the Creation of a Separate Line Item Within the Police Department Budget to Account for CRU Costs

Chief Cervenka presented the staff report on this agenda item. Hannah and Jeanette from the Care Response Unit (CRU) spoke about their engagement with the community.

Public Comment was received from Shelley Green and Jary Stavely.

Discussion: Council was in agreement about supporting CRU to keep these services for the homeless going forward. The goal is to continue to secure funding so two additional CRU members can be added to the program.

A motion was made by Mayor Norvell, seconded by Councilmember Peters, that the Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Norvell, Vice Mayor Godeke, Councilmember Albin-Smith, Councilmember Peters and Councilmember Rafanan

9. CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Norvell adjourned the meeting at 7:24 PM.

BERNIE NORVELL, MAYOR

June Lemos, MMC, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)