



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, September 14, 2020

6:00 PM

Via Video Conference

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lee called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM, all Councilmembers appearing by video conference.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: 3 - Councilmember Tess Albin-Smith, Vice Mayor Jessica Morsell-Haye and Councilmember Lindy Peters

AGENDA REVIEW

1. MAYOR'S RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1A.** [20-841](#) Receive Presentation from Mendocino County Homeless Services Continuum of Care Regarding a Strategic Plan for Addressing Homelessness

Daniel McIntire and Shannon Riley presented a report to Council on this agenda item and responded to questions from Councilmembers. Council directed staff to bring back a resolution endorsing the Strategic Plan on the next regular meeting's Consent Calendar.

- 1B.** [20-844](#) Receive Update from the Garden Friendly Community Committee of Fort Bragg on a Community Garden at the CV Starr Community Center Grounds

Matthew Drewno presented a report to Council on the plan for a community garden for Fort Bragg on the grounds of the CV Starr Community Center.

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

- (1) Non-Agenda Items: Carrie Durkee and Patty Parks-Wasserman spoke via Zoom in support of a community garden at the C.V. Starr Center.
(2) Consent Calendar Items: None.
(3) Closed Session Items: None.

3. STAFF COMMENTS

City Manager Miller gave an update on road repair closures and reminded the public that Caltrans work will continue on Main Street overnight from 8pm to 6am through October 29, with delays of about ten minutes. She reported a drop in COVID-19 violations and that there are zero active cases of COVID in town. In Police Department notes: A new generator is now in place on Bald Hill, body cameras have been upgraded to the newest technology, and on Friday, the PD received a new jail transport van. Public Works Director Smith gave updates on water levels and water savings due to the Stage 2 water emergency declaration, and reported on Coastal Trail trash and portable toilets. City Clerk Lemos reported on ballot security for the upcoming election in November.

Mayor Lee recessed the meeting at 7:59 PM; the meeting reconvened at 8:07 PM.

4. MATTERS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Albin-Smith made brief remarks about visitors and the use of facial coverings. Councilmember Peters stated that he received an email inquiring about the thin blue line stickers on police vehicles. Vice Mayor Norvell reported that there will be a halt on Measure B (Mental Health Treatment Act) spending until a business plan is developed. Mayor Lee said there have been zero new cases of COVID-19 at Sherwood Oaks for the past two weeks. Councilmember Morsell-Haye reported on the first meeting of the new Citizens Commission formed to discuss a potential name change for the City.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Norvell, seconded by Councilmember Peters, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Lee, Norvell, Councilmember Albin-Smith, Vice Mayor Morsell-Haye and Councilmember Peters

5A. [20-845](#) Receive and File Minutes of Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of February 12, 2020

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

5B. [20-846](#) Receive and File Minutes of April 23, 2020 Community Development Committee Meeting

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

5C. [20-840](#) Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of August 31, 2020

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

6. DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

7. PUBLIC HEARING

8. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- 8A. [20-849](#) Receive Report and Consider Adoption of City Council Resolution Adopting Budget Amendment 2021-03 Revising Revenue Projections, Increasing Furloughed Staff to Full-time, Restoring Police Department Premiums and Adjusting Selected Expenditure Budgets

City Manager Miller presented the staff report on this agenda item.

Public Comments from the Mendocino Action Council for Accountable Government Organizations were read into the record by the City Clerk.

Discussion: The Councilmembers discussed various uses for the \$10,000 saved by not holding an election, including paying for a facilitator for the Citizens Commission and assisting the new community garden. Council directed staff to bring back a further amendment including line item budget numbers for things that are not on this agendized budget amendment. Consensus of Council was that they approve of this amendment to the budget based on the numbers presented in the City Manager's report.

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

Aye: 5 - Lee, Norvell, Councilmember Albin-Smith, Vice Mayor Morsell-Haye and Councilmember Peters

Enactment No: RES 4303-2020

9. CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lee adjourned the meeting at 8:53 pm.

WILLIAM V. LEE, MAYOR

June Lemos, CMC, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)