

Visit Fort Bragg Committee Protocols

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I. Purpose

The purpose of these protocols is to provide rules and procedures for conducting all Visit Fort Bragg Committee meetings, operations and performance of duties. Visit Fort Bragg is an advisory committee to the City of Fort Bragg; the project manager and VFB are supervised by City staff from the Community Development Department.

The purpose of the Visit Fort Bragg (VFB) Committee is to promote Fort Bragg, California as a travel and retail destination for the expressed purpose of increasing spending within the city, generating additional tax revenues from increased travel and retail spending and sustaining and expanding tourism and retail income and employment within Fort Bragg.

II. Members

- a. The VFB shall be composed of up to 9 members—7 from the community and 2 councilmembers.
- b. Members should represent a cross section of the Fort Bragg tourism sector. Ideally (but not mandatory) the Committee would be comprised of a cross-section of the sectors below. Achieving a diversity of interests should be considered when reviewing applications for membership.
 - i. Lodging with representation from both large and small establishments; branded and not branded
 - ii. Retail
 - iii. Dining
 - iv. Recreation/Attraction
 - v. Art/Culture
 - vi. Other
- c. Members are not required to reside in Fort Bragg city limits.
- d. Members may be nominated by City representatives and committee members. Members may be recommended to the committee by community members.
- e. Potential members are required to complete the current VFB Committee Membership Interest form.
- f. Members are required to complete the current VFB Committee Member Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form. The purpose of this form is to provide full transparency about committee members' interest and affiliations. The forms will be reviewed by City staff.
- g. New members must be approved by the City Council representatives on the Visit Fort Bragg Committee.
- h. If committee membership is full, the committee may consider rotating members or increasing membership.

III. Sub-Committees

All VFB committee members will be encouraged to join a subcommittee or ad hoc committee. This is not mandatory.

Members of sub-committees are not limited to VFB committee members. Sub-committees can include community members or any other person outside the VFB committee. Examples of sub-committees could include Special Events, Marketing, Website, etc.

IV. Meetings

- a. All regular meetings shall be scheduled, agenzized, conducted and posted in accordance with the City's public meeting noticing procedures and sent to all committee members.
- b. VFB will hold bi-monthly meetings, unless rescheduled. Each meeting will be on a regular schedule at a date and time convenient to the majority of members unless otherwise noted.
- c. The regular meeting place of VFB shall be at the City of Fort Bragg Town Hall located at 363 N. Main Street or other public place as agreed.
- d. A special meeting of the VFB may be called by the Project Manager or by a majority vote of the members or by City staff.
- e. Each member of the VFB is expected to attend all regular meetings. If any member misses three consecutive meetings, that member may be eligible for removal from office with a majority vote of the Committee.

V. Financial

- a. The committee may recommend expenditures to the project manager and to City staff for consideration and discussion.

VI. Voting

- a. Voting will be subject to Brown Act voting procedures.

VII. Amendments

- a. These protocols may be amended at any time by a majority vote of the committee.