



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, June 26, 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

1A. [23-198](#) Presentation of Proclamation Declaring June 19, 2023 as Juneteenth Day

Mayor Norvell read a Proclamation recognizing Juneteenth Day

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

- (1) Larry Worry, Gabriel Quinn Maroney and Jacob Patterson
- (2) None.
- (3) N/A.

3. STAFF COMMENTS

City Manager Ducey reported on the upcoming activities happening for the 4th of July, like the World's Largest Salmon BBQ and fireworks. Assistant Director of Engineering - O'neal shared the great news that the Bainbridge Park received grant funding that will allow for more park improvements to happen.

4. MATTERS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Vice Mayor Godeke announced that the AD Hoc on Culture will be meeting July 11th at 4:30pm and will be in person and via Zoom. Mayor Norvell stated that AD Hoc Homeless committee cancelled their meeting with Danco, but will have a meeting soon with the Plateau, Hospitality Center and RCS on a monthly basis.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 5A. [23-199](#) Resolution of the Fort Bragg City Council Determining that the Public Interest and Necessity Require the Acquisition of Certain Real Property Interests for a Public Project and Directing the Filing of Eminent Domain Proceedings

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

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

- 5B. [23-200](#) Resolution of the Fort Bragg City Council Establishing a Compensation Plan and Terms And Conditions of Employment for Exempt At-Will Executive Classifications

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

- 5C. [23-201](#) Resolution of the Fort Bragg City Council Establishing a Compensation Plan and Terms and Conditions of Employment for Non-Bargaining and Confidential, Non-Exempt Employees

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

- 5D. [23-202](#) Resolution of the Fort Bragg City Council Establishing a Compensation Plan and Terms and Conditions of Employment for Exempt Mid-Management Classifications

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

- 5E. [23-203](#) Resolution of the Fort Bragg City Council Confirming the Pay Rates/Ranges for all City of Fort Bragg Established Classifications

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

- 5F. [23-197](#) Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of June 5, 2023

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

6. DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

7. PUBLIC HEARING

8. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- 8A. [23-204](#) Receive Report and Consider Adoption of City Council Resolution Calling a Special Municipal Election for November 7, 2023 to be Conducted by the Registrar of Voters and Submitting an Extension of the City's Streets Maintenance Transactions and Use Tax to the Voters at that Election

Assistant Director Engineering O'Neal presented a report on ½ cent sales tax for street repairs ballot measure.

Public Comment: Jacob Patterson.

Discussion: There was some discussion surrounding the details of the ballot measure. Council agreed to proceed with the sales tax ballot measure.

A motion was made by Councilmember Rafanan, seconded by Councilmember Albin-Smith, that the Resolution be adopted. The motion carried

- 8B. [23-207](#)** Receive Report and Consider Introducing, by Title Only, and Waiving the First Reading, an Ordinance of the City of Fort Bragg Extending the City's One-Half Of One Percent Transactions and Use Tax to Fund Repair, Maintenance and Reconstruction of City Streets to Continue to be Administered by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration

Assistant Director Engineering O'Neal presented this report on approving the ordinance for the ½ cent sales tax for street repairs.

Public Comment: Jacob Patterson.

Discussion: Councilmembers were all in agreement to have this ballot measure go forward.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Godeke, seconded by Councilmember Peters, that the Staff Report be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 8C. [23-205](#)** Receive Report and Consider Adoption of Resolutions Approving FY 2023/24 City of Fort Bragg and Fort Bragg Municipal Improvement District No. 1 Budgets, Establishing FY 2023/24 Appropriations Limit, Approving FY 2023/24 Capital Projects Budget and Approving FY 2023/24 C.V. Starr Community Center Operating and Capital Improvement Budget

Finance Director Whippy presented the staff report on this agenda item.

Public Comment: Jacob Patterson.

Discussion: The Mayor thanked Mr. Whippy for presenting a balanced budget to the Council. He reminded Councilmembers that five separate votes would need to be taken on the budget.

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Mayor Norvell, that the Resolution (Budget FY 23-24) be adopted [RES 4701-2023]. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Mayor Norvell, that the Resolution (Capital Projects be adopted [RES 4702-2023/ RES ID 476-2023]. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Mayor Norvell, that the Resolution (Appropriations Limit be adopted [RES 4703-2023]. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Mayor Norvell, that the Resolution (Municipal Improvement District be adopted [RES ID 477-2023]. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Mayor Norvell, that the Resolution (CV Starr Budget be adopted [RES 4704-2023]. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

8D. [23-206](#) Receive Report and Provide Policy Direction to Staff Regarding Future Zoning Modification to Allow Outdoor Dining

Consultant Marie Jones presented this staff report.

Public Comment: Jacob Patterson.

Discussion: The Councilmembers thanked Consultant Jones for her work on this policy. They discussed small changes to the policy.

This Staff Report was approved.

8E. [23-196](#) Receive the 2022 City of Fort Bragg Compensation Study and Approve New Salary Schedule for City Clerk and Public Works Operations Manager

City Manager Peggy Ducey presented this staff report. They City worked with consultant RGS to conduct the study.

Public Comment Jacob Patterson.

Discussion: There was some discussion about the details of this study and Council was unanimous in approving this study.

This Staff Report was approved.

9. CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Norvell adjourned the meeting at 7:49 PM.

BERNIE NORVELL, MAYOR

June Lemos, MMC, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)

