



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, May 9, 2022

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.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Mayor Bernie Norvell, Vice Mayor Jessica Morsell-Haye, Councilmember Tess Albin-Smith, Councilmember Lindy Peters and Councilmember Marcia Rafanan

AGENDA REVIEW

Mayor Norvell announced that Item 8B would be moved before Item 8A.

1. MAYOR'S RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1A. [22-185](#) Presentation of Proclamation Declaring May 9 - 16, 2022 as Rhododendron Week

Mayor Norvell presented a Proclamation declaring May 9-16, 2022 as Rhododendron Week to LeeAnn Dixon of the local Noyo Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society.

1B. [22-220](#) Recognition of Jay Andreis and Nancy Rogers for their Service on the Fort Bragg Planning Commission

Mayor Norvell recognized outgoing Planning Commissioners Jay Andreis (January 2019 - May 2022) and Nancy Rogers (January 2017 - May 2022) and thanked them for their service on the Fort Bragg Planning Commission. Each received a City plaque.

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

- (1) Mary Rose Kaczorowski, Lydia Bernard, Jacob Patterson, Marcy (no last name given).
- (2) None.
- (3) Mary Rose Kaczorowski.

3. STAFF COMMENTS

Assistant to the City Manager McCormick spoke about the Blue Economy Symposium set for May 19-22. The symposium will be live streamed and a community watch party is scheduled for the West Center. She and Councilmember Albin-Smith listed the activities planned for the symposium. City Clerk Lemos reported that an election drop box for the June 7 primary election

has been set up at City Hall just to the right of the front entrance where people can deposit their mail-in ballots. City Manager Spaur announced that the City budget workshop will be held on May 17.

4. MATTERS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Vice Mayor Morsell-Haye reported on last week's League of California Cities legislative committee meeting in Eureka. She requested that City Council consider discussion about options to provide childcare cost reimbursement during Council meetings. Councilmember Albin-Smith also spoke in support of childcare for Councilmembers. She recommended that an ordinance be prepared regarding tree removal in the City with a legacy tree exemption. Councilmember Albin-Smith stated that the County Registrar of Voters office in Ukiah is seeking volunteer poll workers for election day. Councilmember Peters reported on a recent Sonoma Clean Power meeting and said that he supports a discussion regarding Council childcare. He stated that the City does not plan to paint pickle ball lines on the tennis courts at Bainbridge Park. Councilmember Rafanan thanked Commissioners Andreis and Rogers for their service on the Planning Commission. Mayor Norvell asked that the issue of childcare reimbursement or other options for providing childcare services to Councilmembers be discussed at the Finance and Administration Committee level and brought back to Council with recommendations.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of the Consent Calendar

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

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

- 5A. [22-214](#)** Adopt City Council Resolution Making the Legally Required Findings to Continue to Authorize the Conduct of Remote "Telephonic" Meetings During the State of Emergency
- This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.**
- Enactment No: RES 4539-2022
- 5B. [22-215](#)** Adopt City Council Resolution Confirming the Continued Existence of a Local Emergency in the City of Fort Bragg
- This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.**
- Enactment No: RES 4540-2022
- 5C. [22-203](#)** Approve Minutes of Special Closed Session of April 20, 2022
- These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.**
- 5D. [22-204](#)** Approve Minutes of Special Closed Session of April 21, 2022
- These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.**

- 5E. [22-208](#) Approve Minutes of April 25, 2022

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

- 8B. [22-221](#) Nomination and Appointment of Planning Commissioners to Serve on the Fort Bragg Planning Commission

Mayor Norvell nominated Sharon Davis to the Fort Bragg Planning Commission to replace outgoing Commissioner Nancy Rogers, giving her background and summarizing her resume.

Public Comment: None.

A motion was made by Mayor Norvell, seconded by Councilmember Peters, that the Appointment of Sharon Davis to the Fort Bragg Planning Commission be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Councilmember Rafanan nominated Andrew Jordan to the Fort Bragg Planning Commission to replace outgoing Commissioner Jay Andreis, recapping his background and experience.

Public Comment: None.

A motion was made by Councilmember Rafanan, seconded by Councilmember Albin-Smith, that the Appointment of Andrew Jordan to the Fort Bragg Planning Commission be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 8A. [22-205](#) Receive Report and Consider Adoption of City Council Resolution Approving Budget Amendment 2022-22 and Authorizing City Manager to Execute Authorization for Additional Services for the Design of the Raw Water Line Replacement Project, City Project 2019-02, Increasing the Scope of the Design Contract with Coleman Engineering to Include Construction Permitting in an Amount Not to Exceed \$81,824 (Account 651-6007-0310)

Public Works Director Smith presented the staff report on this agenda item.

Public Comment: None.

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

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

Enactment No: RES 4541-2022

9. CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Norvell recessed the meeting at 7:02 PM; the meeting reconvened to Closed Session at 7:12 PM.

- 9A. [22-213](#)** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION, Pursuant to Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9; Name of Case: City of Fort Bragg vs. Mendocino Railway and Does 1-10, Case No.: 21CV00850, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Mendocino

- 9B. [22-217](#)** PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b): Title: City Manager

- 9C. [22-224](#)** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION; Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 of the Government Code: (one case)

Mayor Norvell reconvened the meeting to Open Session at 8:22 PM and reported that no reportable action was taken on the Closed Session items.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Norvell adjourned the meeting at 8:22 PM.

BERNIE NORVELL, MAYOR

June Lemos, MMC, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)