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Meeting Minutes Special 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, April 13, 2020

6:00 PM

Via Teleconference

Special Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lee called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM, all Councilmembers appearing via teleconference.

ROLL CALL

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

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

The City Clerk read public comments into the record as follows:

(1) Non-Agenda Items:

- Annemarie Weibel commented on removal of story boards at the Hare Creek Center project site.
- Jenny Shattuck recommended that Police Department staff sit in on City Council conference calls.

(2) Consent Calendar Items: None.

(3) Closed Session Items:

- Fort Bragg Employees Organization SEIU Local 1021 urged the Council to take a long term view on confronting the fiscal challenges the City is facing, to keep staff intact, and use rainy day reserves wisely.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Morsell-Haye requested that the minutes of the April 6, 2020 special meeting be modified to add the following to Matters from Councilmembers: "Councilmember Morsell-Haye requested that Council consider an emergency moratorium on expansion of 5G wireless."

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Councilmember Albin-Smith, to approve the Consent Calendar as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

2A. [20-697](#) Approve City Council Letter Regarding the Paycheck Protection Program

This Council Letter was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2B. [20-691](#) Receive and File Minutes of the January 8, 2020 Public Works and Facilities Committee Meeting

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

2C. [20-692](#) Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of April 6, 2020

These Minutes were approved as amended on the Consent Calendar.

3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

3A. [20-696](#) Council Discussion and Possible Direction to Staff on the April 10, 2020 County of Mendocino Order of the Public Health Officer for All Individuals Living in the County to Shelter in Place

City Manager Miller explained that this item is to check in with Councilmembers regarding the County's revised health order.

Public Comment was read into the record by the City Clerk as follows:

- Paul Clark recommended that as many recreational sites be opened as possible.
- Gabriel Quinn Maroney requested that the Council not impose fines on individuals or businesses related to the COVID-19 health mandate.
- Judy Valadao commented that law enforcement personnel should have input regarding opening the Coastal Trail recreational area because they are on the front lines and the most at risk of infection.

Discussion: Following discussion of this item, the Council directed staff as follows:

(1) Open the Coastal Trail on a temporary basis, posting signage as directed by the County health order to maintain physical distancing and wear face coverings. Restrooms, parking lots, benches and tables will remain closed. All other City recreational sites will remain closed. If it appears that the availability of the trail is attracting too many outside visitors to the area or if people are not obeying the posted regulations, the City Manager has the authority to close the Noyo Headlands park to everyone. Simultaneously with the opening, the City Manager will contact the Coastal Commission regarding the opening of the trail.

(2) Council supports the County order as it stands and the City will comply, as opposed to try to create City orders or add to it.

4. CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Lee recessed the meeting at 7:02 PM. The meeting reconvened to Closed Session at 7:08 PM.

4A. [20-694](#) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: City Negotiator: Tabatha Miller, City Manager;

Employee Organizations: Fort Bragg Employee Organization; Confidential Non-Bargaining Classifications; Exempt At-Will Executive Classifications; and Exempt Mid-Management Classifications

4B. [20-695](#)

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: City Negotiator: William V. Lee, Mayor. Employee Classification: City Manager

Mayor Lee reconvened the meeting to Open Session at 8:14 PM and reported that he appointed Councilmember Morsell-Haye and Vice Mayor Norvell to an ad hoc committee on the C.V. Starr Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lee adjourned the meeting at 8:14 PM.

WILLIAM V. LEE, MAYOR

June Lemos, CMC, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)