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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*

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

8:30 AM

Sequoia Room, 444 N. Main Street, Fort Bragg

City Council Goal Setting Retreat

CALL TO ORDER

After the gathering/refreshments period, Mayor Lee called the meeting to order at 8:56 AM.

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:

Public Comments were received from Jacob Patterson, Rex Gressett and Gabriel Quinn Maroney.

2. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

2A. [19-155](#) Fort Bragg City Council Goal Setting Retreat Agenda

As a result of the City Council's 2050 Vision brainstorm, Councilmembers discovered a shared intention for all of their priority areas: enhancing local self-sufficiency and supporting healthy ecosystems. These concepts underpin the all of the goals listed below under each of the four top priority areas: Jobs/Industry, Quality of Life, Housing and Infrastructure. An asterisk (*) in front of an item indicates that it was a top vote-getter (by way of dot-voting) and will go into the City Manager's work plan. The number in parentheses following each item indicates the number of dot-votes the item received.

JOBS/INDUSTRY (4)

1. * Partnerships with educational institutions (3)
2. * Become more "customer-friendly"/business friendly in the Planning/Building Dept. (ideas: ombudsman support, more to go to Planning Commissioners, address waiving or collecting fees later for identified industries/businesses, prioritize restorative, local, movie, etc., "keep money here.") (4)
3. Seek buyer(s) for GP mill site (1)
4. Pursue desalination to spur more industries needing water (2)
5. * Foster and help sustain local business (e.g., public/private partnerships) (3)
6. Incentivize companies (support their infrastructure costs, e.g., micro-grids, desalination) (2)

QUALITY OF LIFE (3)

1. * Beautification of streets/sidewalks projects (4)
2. * Assist façade improvements for businesses (e.g., matching funds/grants, Main St. Program, EDFC, Mills Act - property tax) (3)
3. * Pursue partnerships to maintain open space (e.g., Pudding Creek 80 acres) (3)
4. * Maintain a fully staffed police force (3)
5. * A more community-involved police force (2)

Note: combine 1 & 2, and combine 4 & 5, and item 3 stands alone. All items can be included in the City Manager's work plan this way.

HOUSING (3)

1. * 200 units of housing in the next 5 years (pursue public/private partnerships) (4)
2. * Pursue Community Land Trust/JPA/Housing Authority (housing, recreation) (4)
3. * Streamline permitting and creative approaches to fees (up front, e.g. Santa Rosa); review barriers to building (4)
4. Address question and approaches for homelessness (short term vs long term; obtain funding - HUD, SB2 - needs assessment? Housing Authority? Bonds? Update plan.) (1)
5. Support qualifications for HUD vouchers
6. Transitional housing (2)

INFRASTRUCTURE (3)

1. * Develop water security (e.g., modular de-salinization, additional tank...) (4)
2. Needs assessment
3. Broadband/ensure connectivity, cell phone coverage (1)
4. * Renewable energy (wind, solar, micro-grid) for City facilities to start (3)
5. Utility co-ops (partner with Sonoma Clean Power)
6. Any time road repair, put in broadband conduit in the ground (2)
7. Replace/upgrade 30 miles of water and sewer (\$\$ from SB628, AB313, bonded debt, EIFD)
8. * Emphasize grants for infrastructure (CDBG, e.g., slip lining passed) (3)
9. Beautification/clean up streets (public/community projects) (2)

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lee adjourned the meeting at 2:59 PM.

WILLIAM V. LEE, MAYOR

June Lemos, CMC, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)