



City of Fort Bragg

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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, September 20, 2021

6:00 PM

Via Video Conference

Special Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Norvell called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM, all Councilmembers appearing via video conference.

ROLL CALL

Present: 4 - Mayor Bernie Norvell, Vice Mayor Jessica Morsell-Haye, Councilmember Tess Albin-Smith and Councilmember Lindy Peters
Absent: 1 - Councilmember Marcia Rafanan

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

(1) None. (2) None. (3) None.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of the Consent Calendar

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

Aye: 4 - Mayor Norvell, Vice Mayor Morsell-Haye, Councilmember Albin-Smith and Councilmember Peters
Absent: 1 - Councilmember Rafanan

2A. [21-488](#) 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 4447-2021

2B. [21-493](#) Approve Minutes of September 13, 2021

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

Councilmember Rafanan joined the meeting at 6:08 PM.

- 3A. [21-500](#)** Receive Presentation from NHA Financial Advisors on the Proposed 2021 Taxable Lease Revenue Bonds (CalPERS UAL Restructuring & Site Acquisition)

City Manager Miller introduced Michael Meyer and Leslie Bloom from NHA Advisors. Mr. Meyer gave a presentation to City Council on the proposed revenue bonds to finance CalPERS Unfunded Accrued Liability and for funding \$3.5 million as part of the possible acquisition of the southern portion of the Mill Site.

Public Comment was received from Andrew Jordan.

Direction: After brief discussion, Councilmembers directed staff to move forward with the recommended action and present City Council with a resolution for approval of financing, legal documents, Preliminary Official Statement and pension funding policy at the meeting of October 12, 2021.

This matter was referred to staff for further action.

- 3B. [21-503](#)** Update and Presentation on the Fort Bragg Digital Infrastructure Project

City Manager Miller gave a presentation on the recently issued Fort Bragg Digital Infrastructure Plan which evaluated the feasibility of establishing a City-owned Broadband Utility to provide reliable and affordable connectivity to City residents and businesses.

Public Comment was received from Andrew Jordan and Jacob Patterson.

Direction: Council directed staff to advance the project by pursuing grants and other financing to fund the project, working with Mendocino Community Network (MCN) to develop an operating model and agreement, and preparing a Request for Proposals for detailed design of the network.

This matter was referred to staff for further action.

4. CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Norvell recessed the meeting at 7:41 PM; the meeting reconvened to Closed Session at 7:45 PM.

- 4A. [21-501](#)** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION: Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: One (1) Case

- 4B. [21-502](#)** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION pursuant to Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9; Name of Case: Kashiwada v. City of Fort Bragg

Mayor Norvell reconvened the meeting to Open Session at 8:32 PM and reported as follows: Regarding Item 4A, the City Council gave direction to initiate a civil action and that the action, the defendants, and the other particulars shall, once formally commenced, be disclosed to any person upon inquiry, unless to do so

would jeopardize the City's ability to effectuate service of process on one or more unserved parties, or that to do so would jeopardize its ability to conclude existing settlement negotiations to its advantage.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Norvell adjourned the meeting at 8:32 PM.

BERNIE NORVELL, MAYOR

June Lemos, CMC, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)