



# 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*

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Monday, December 10, 2018

6:00 PM

Town Hall, 363 N. Main Street

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### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Peters called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### ROLL CALL

**Present:** 3 - Mayor Lindy Peters, Vice Mayor Will Lee, Councilmember Michael Cimolino, Councilmember Bernie Norvell and Councilmember Dave Turner

### AGENDA REVIEW

#### 1. MAYOR'S RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Peters reported on the City's continuing efforts to raise funds to assist the animals displaced by the Camp Fire. The Mayor announced that he was not seeking a nomination for Mayor. Sheba Brown from Congressman Jared Huffman's office recognized Michael Cimolino and Dave Turner for their service on the Fort Bragg City Council.

#### 7. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

##### 7A. [18-487](#)

2018 City Council Reorganization

1. Adopt City Council Resolution Reciting the Fact of the General Municipal Election Held on November 6, 2018, Declaring the Result and Such Other Matters as Provided by Law
2. Recognize Outgoing City Councilmembers Turner and Cimolino
3. Administer Oaths of Office and Issue Certificates of Election
4. Conduct City Council Reorganization
  - a. Selection of Mayor
  - b. Selection of Vice Mayor

City Manager Miller reviewed the Agenda Item Summary prepared for this item with the City Council.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Turner, seconded by Vice Mayor Lee, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Mayor Peters, Vice Mayor Lee, Councilmember Cimolino, Councilmember Norvell and Councilmember Turner

Enactment No: RES 4140-2018

Mayor Peters recognized outgoing Councilmembers Dave Turner and Mike Cimolino by presenting them with plaques commemorating their time of service. Both Councilmembers made brief remarks, thanking the Council, City staff, and the community.

City Manager Miller administered Oaths of Office to new Councilmembers Albin-Smith, Morsell-Haye, and Peters, and presented them with their Certificates of Election.

## ROLL CALL

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

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**A motion was made by Councilmember Norvell, seconded by Councilmember Morsell-Haye, to nominate Will Lee for Mayor. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**A motion was made by Mayor Lee, seconded by Councilmember Peters, to nominate Councilmember Norvell for Vice Mayor. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

## **2A. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON: (1) NON-AGENDA, (2) CONSENT CALENDAR & (3) CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (30 Minutes)**

### (1) Non-Agenda Items:

- Shay Wachtel asked about the new Mayor's stance on cannabis culture.
- Mary Rose Kaczorowski congratulated the incoming councilmembers and thanked the outgoing councilmembers and asked that the new Council do better for the town.
- Linda Jupiter expressed support for the inclusion of two women on the Council.

(2) Consent Calendar Items: None.

(3) Closed Session Items: None.

## **3. STAFF COMMENTS**

City Manager Miller reported on a recent Emergency Operations Center tabletop emergency exercise. She also reported on the results of a recent trial regarding the California Voting Rights Act

for the City of Santa Monica, noting that the judge ruled against Santa Monica. Chief Lizarraga reported on an upcoming Neighborhood Watch meeting. Public Works Director Varga gave an update on the new Redwood Avenue home for the old Fort Bragg welcome sign. Varga stated that the design contract for the 2019 street rehab project will come up in January. Community Development Director Jones updated the Council on grant applications.

#### **4. MATTERS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS**

Mayor Lee stated that he is honored to serve as the City's new mayor. He thanked the outgoing councilmembers and welcomed the new ones. He also thanked Councilmember Peters for serving as Mayor the last two years. He noted that the City will continue to work on infrastructure, housing, homelessness and other issues. Vice Mayor Norvell thanked Councilmember Turner for his experience and service on the Council. Councilmember Albin-Smith thanked the voters for putting her on the Council and said she will listen to all sides and take matters seriously. Councilmember Morsell-Haye said she was honored to be sitting at the dais and intends to keep the momentum going and bring new ideas to the table. Councilmember Peters reported on a recent Sonoma Clean Power meeting. He spoke about climate change and recommended that staff connect with Doug Nunn to make a presentation to the City Council regarding climate change.

#### **5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

##### **Approval of the Consent Calendar**

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

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

**5A. [18-488](#)** Approve Maddy Act Notice Providing List of Appointed Terms Expiring in 2019

**The Maddy Act Notice was approved on the Consent Calendar.**

**5B. [18-491](#)** Approve Minutes of November 26, 2018

**These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.**

#### **6. PUBLIC HEARING**

#### **7. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS**

**7B. [18-460](#)** Receive Report and Consider Adoption of City Council Resolution Approving Professional Services Agreement and Sub-recipient Agreement with Community Development Commission of Mendocino County to Assist with Administering the HOME Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Loan Program with 16-HOME-11373 Grant and Authorizing City Manager to Execute Same (Amount Not to Exceed \$76,000; Account No. 326-5010-0632)

Special Projects Assistant McLaughlin presented the staff report on this agenda item and responded to questions from Council.

Public Comment was received from: Shay Wachtel, Carole White, and Rex Gressett.

Discussion: After a brief discussion, the Council was in unanimous agreement to approve the resolution.

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

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

Enactment No: RES 4141-2018

**2B. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON: (1) NON-AGENDA, (2) CONSENT CALENDAR & (3) CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (30 Minutes, If Necessary)**

- Rex Gressett expressed shock that the public is allowed to make more than one comment on an agenda item and thanked the Mayor for allowing more open discussion.
- Henry Thomas, Mendocino High School Student, said that Doug Nunn made a good presentation on climate change to his high school a couple weeks ago and that the Council should move forward with asking him to present to Council.
- Shay Wachtel would like the Council to ask Governor Newsom to make a visit to Fort Bragg.

**8. CLOSED SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Mayor Lee adjourned the meeting at 7:26 PM.**

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WILLIAM V. LEE, MAYOR

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June Lemos, CMC, City Clerk

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