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# Meeting Agenda Special Meetings

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

3:30 PM

Town Hall 363 N. Main Fort Bragg CA and VIA
Teleconference

#### **VISIT FORT BRAGG**

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

#### **ROLL CALL**

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

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You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: Nov 12, 2024 03:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Topic: VISIT FORT BRAGG COMMITTEE

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Webinar ID: 891 8395 8755

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#### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**1A.** 24-1015 Approve Minutes of Visit Fort Bragg Committee October 8, 2024.

Attachments: VFB MINS 10-08-2024

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

#### 3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

**3A.** 24-1007 Receive Update from Idea Cooperative

Attachments: VFB\_Update11\_12

3B. 24-1008 Receive Oral Update from VFB Special Events Subcommittee

#### 4. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE / STAFF

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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Amber Lenore Weaver	
Public Information Officer	



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#### **Text File**

**File Number: 24-1015** 

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Agenda Number: 1A.

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## **Meeting Minutes Special Meetings**

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

Town Hall, 363 N. Main St. and Via Video Conference

#### **VISIT FORT BRAGG COMMITTEE**

#### MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Chair Albin-Smith called the meeting to order at 3:40 PM

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Tess Albin-Smith, Marcia Rafanan, Debra De Graw, Lia Morsell, Jamie

Peters-Connolly, Cory Epperson, Barb Bruce, and Roxanne Perkins

Absent: Allison DeGrassi

City Staff: Captain Thomas O'Neal, Cristal Munoz, and Amber Weaver

#### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1A. Approve Minutes of Visit Fort Bragg Committee August 13, 2024

These Committee Minutes were approved as presented.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public Comment: None.

#### 3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

Receive Presentation on Holiday Lights Static Parade 3A.

Captain O'Neal led the discussion on the advantages of hosting a static truck light parade this year. The non-profit that previously organized the event is unable to participate, which means city staff would need to manage it. Due to limited personnel and challenges with the encroachment permit needed to close down Main Street, the City cannot support a large moving parade. Captain proposed the static parade solution to maintain the parade tradition while ensuring the best and safest practices are followed.

Public Comment: None.

Discussion: Captain O'Neal addressed the committee's questions. When inquired about generators for the truck lights, he suggested that local shops might help with extension cords. The committee members expressed a strong preference for the parade option.

Receive Update from Idea Cooperative 3B.

Tom Kavanaugh gave the presentation on behalf of the Idea Cooperative, and commented on the next level events including Bike Race, Music Festival, and Showcase events. Public Comment: None.

Discussion: Discussion involved events in the harbor and traffic control.

**3C.** Receive Oral Update from VFB Special Events Subcommittee

Munoz led the discussion about the upcoming Magic Market, set for October 26, 2024, from 11 AM to 4 PM. The event will feature six food trucks, 86 vendors, circus performers, corn-hole games, and a variety of costume contests for pets, kids, and more. Albin-Smith suggested hosting a tree decorating contest.

Public Comment: None.

**DIscussion:** None.

#### 4. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE / STAFF

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Albin-Smith adjourned the meeting at 4:47 PM



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Receive Update from Idea Cooperative







2024 > 2025

### **Strategy Update**

Integrated Communications Strategy Draft v1

#### Additions:

**New Events** 

- Bike Race
- Music Event

Hotelier Engagement and Interaction Visitation-Focused/Hotel Partner Promotions

- Room With A Brew
- Winter Visit
- Whale Fest
- Visit Sustainably

Pop Up Visitor Center

#### Adjustments:

Strategic Marketing Plan & Promotions Calendar Merchant Supporting Events

 Holiday Shopping Season, Fort Bragg Food Month Ongoing Paid Media
 Home Page and E-newsletter format

#### Continue

- Distinctive & Differentiating Place Branding Identity
- Build Follower Value
- Build Site Traffic Value

#### **Promotional Calendar**

- Holiday Shopping
- Winter Visit
- Mendo Wine
- Fort Bragg Food Month
- Whale Fest
- Blues Fest
- Visit Sustainably
- Bike Race
- Specials & Deals





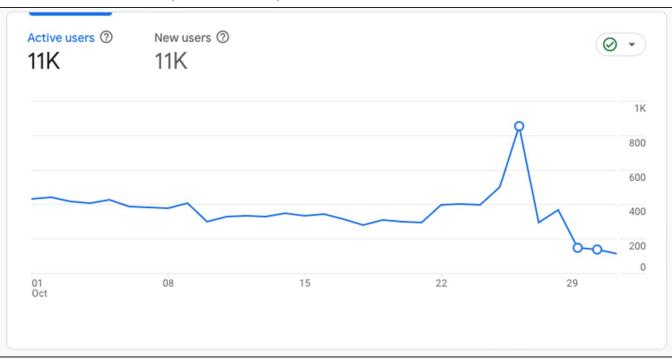
#### **MONTHLY SITE TRAFFIC**

#### **Google Analytics**

- September 2024 8.3 K
- October 2024 9.9K

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October – 2024 (2023 – 10K)





## FORT BRAGG

## Room With A Brew

## **Craft Beer Month Campaign**

• Brewery Specials – Throughout October

Room With A Brew

Oktoberfest – On October 5

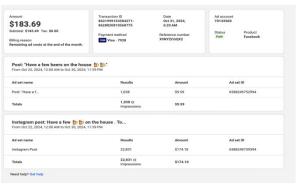
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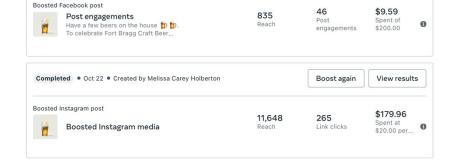
Google Ads: \$3470, 2,470 clicks

• Paid Social: \$183, 265 clicks















#### SEPTEMBER EMAIL

- 6,895 Sends
- 3,261 Total Opens
- 440 Total Clicks
- 32% Opens
- 3.4% Click Rate

Top links clicked	
https://visitfortbraggca.com/plan-your-trip/stay/hotels/	97 (22.0%
https://visitfortbraggca.com/room-with-a-brew/	95 (21.6%
https://visitfortbraggca.com/festival-of-lights/	55 <b>(12.5%</b>
https://www.instagram.com/overtimebrewing	29 <b>(6.6%</b>
https://visitfortbraggca.com/fort-braggs-magic-market/	26 <b>(5.9</b> %
https://visitfortbraggca.com/plan-your-trip/play/shopping/	25 <b>(5.7</b> %
https://visitfortbraggca.com/plan-your-trip/eat-drink/eat/	24 (5.5%
https://www.facebook.com/fortbraggca/	22 (5.0%
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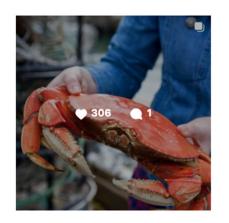


## **Top Posts**

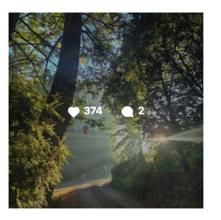
## Organic Social – October





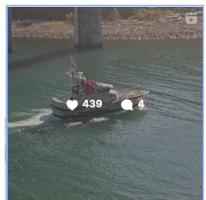














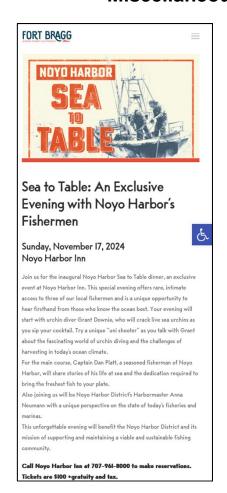
## **October**

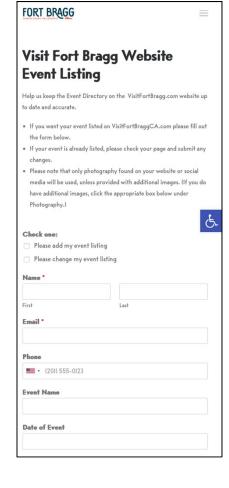
- Welcome Center
- Submit Event Form
- **Epperson Music Calendar**
- Lodging Outreach and Mixer





#### **Miscellaneous**







#### Join Us at the Botanical Gardens Thursday, October 24 - 5:30 PM

The City of Fort Bragg is pleased to invite you, our valuable lodging partners, to a meet-and-greet with members of city government, the Visit Fort Bragg Committee and our destination marketing partners, The Idea Cooperative.

It's a chance for the Fort Bragg communications team to show the work being done to promote tourism. But, just as important, it's a way for you to tell us what works best for you and your

Mendocino Botanical Gardens has genersoulsy offered Rhody's Garden Cafe and drinks, hors D'oeuvres and more will be

Don't miss this unique opportunity to help make the Visit Fort campaign, with tens of thousands of loyal fans and followers,

Please RSVP to Cristal Munoz at <u>c.munoz@forbragg.com</u> by October 23, 2024. Or call 707-961-2823, ext. 103.

We look forward to seeing you next Thursday, October 24 at the **Botanical Gardens** 

VISIT FORT BRAGG WEBSITE



#### Stay Connected To The Campaign

The Visit Fort Bragg Committee oversees the destination marketing effort for the city and meets every month, with the public welcome to attend and comment. We encourage you to come to a meeting in person or on Zoom to see for yourself the range of work that is being done to promote the city and increase tourism.

There are several ways to get involved and stay informed:

- Follow Visit Fort Bragg on social media @visitfortbragg.
- · Get the Visit Fort Bragg Monthly E-newsletter. Attend the Visit Fort Bragg monthly meetings.
- · Reach out directly to city staff:
- <u>Isaac Whippy</u> City Manager/Finance Director <u>Cristal Muñoz</u> Administrative Analyst





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