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Meeting Minutes Community Development Committee

Monday, October 6, 2025

4:00 PM

Town Hall, 363 N. Main Street

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Vice Mayor Rafanan called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Staff Present: Associate Planner Sarah Peters, Permit Tech Maria Flynn,
Administrative Assistant Lisi Horstman, and Consultant Marie Jones

Present: 2 - Jason Godeke and Marcia Rafanan

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1A. [25-410](#) Approve Minutes from August 18, 2025, Community Development Committee Meeting

Attachments: [Community Development Committee Minutes 8.18.2025](#)

Committee Members Rafanan and Goedeke approved the minutes as presented

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public Comment: Paul Clark, David Gurney

3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- 3A. [25-391](#) Receive a Report and Provide Direction Regarding Proposed Zoning Changes to Limited Term Permits and to Allow Small Startups in Zones Where Currently Not Permitted

Attachments: [Community Development Committee Staff Report Economic Development Items](#)
[Limited Term Regulations](#)
[Technical Advisory Committee Memo - Limited Term Permits](#)
[Public Comment](#)

Consultant Marie Jones presented the report

Mayor Godeke and Vice Mayor Rafanan asked clarifying questions.

Discussion: Staff and Committee, discussed zoning, tracking, and information for zoning to go before Council.

Marie Jones answered further questions.

Public Comment: Paul Clark

Marie Jones responded to Public Comment related to Staff and timeline for obtaining a permit. Marie Jones discussed streamlining the Limited Term Permit (LTP) process and stated the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) reviewed proposed changes to the Limited Term Permit process and provided feedback and that the initiation of an LTP/ event calendar was suggested. Mayor Godeke asked about the streamline process, and requested clarification on use of staff time.

Maria Flynn, Sarah Peters, and Marie Jones responded to questions from the Committee.

Public Comment: David Jensen, Paul Clark

Vice Mayor Rafanan and Mayor Godeke gave direction to hold off on bringing the Economic Development zoning changes to Council and to bring forward fee for expedited Limited Term Permit to Council.

4. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE / STAFF

4A. [25-206](#) Oral Update on Installation of Trees Downtown and Citywide

Attachments: [Tree planting update Sept 2025](#)

Mayor Godeke presented a slide show of the trees around Fort Bragg that were planted a year ago.

He requested funding and support for more tree planting in the City.

Public Comment: David Jensen, Jacob Patterson

4B. [25-411](#) Discussion on Fireworks Drone Show

Vice Mayor Rafanan discussed looking into the drone fireworks show.

Mayor Godeke requested more information related to permitting and gave direction to staff to research.

Public Comment: None.

Committee and Staff will research the permit and the drone show. Sarah Peters asked for direction from Committee regarding regular updates at Community Development Department. Mayor Godeke suggested for top three items unless nothing new. Sarah Peters mentioned the 4 Leaf Pilot program and Accela going live soon, Planning Commission public hearings. Maria Flynn gave an update on the upcoming Entertainment Zone. Committee asked Staff to look at regulations regarding Story Poles in the Coastal Zone.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Mayor Rafanan adjourned the meeting at 5:44 PM