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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*

Thursday, January 31, 2019

6:00 PM

Town Hall, 363 N Main Street

Special Joint City Council/Planning Commission Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Vice Mayor Will Lee, Councilmember Bernie Norvell, Councilmember Lindy Peters, Councilmember Jessica Morsell-Haye, Councilmember Tess Albin-Smith, Jay Andreis, Jeremy Logan, Michelle Roberts and Nancy Rogers

Absent: 1 - Stan Miklose

1. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

1A. [19-038](#) Receive Report and Provide Direction Regarding the Vision, the Guiding Principles and the Draft Land Use Plan for Reuse of the Mill Site

Community Development Director Jones presented the staff report on this item.

Public Comment was received from:

- Chief Geronimo Thomas Langenderfer recommended that recycling and hemp industries be allowed on the Mill Site, but not casinos.
- Ann Rennacker is in favor of a Native American museum, parks and open space, but not heavy industrial.
- Gabriel Quinn Maroney thinks scientific exploration should be included in the vision statement and that the Council should consider developing a citizen advisory board regarding Mill Site development.
- John Gallo wants to maintain ecological integrity and promote smart growth on the Mill Site.
- Leslie Kashiwada spoke in favor of smart growth, a full cleanup of the Mill Site with public access to open space, and a moratorium on formula and franchise stores.
- George Reinhardt commented on the climate crisis and restoration/daylighting of creeks.
- Rex Gressett said the Mill Site plan is untenable and impractical and there need to be more public meetings.

Discussion:

Councilmembers and Planning Commissioners participated in a lengthy discussion regarding the vision statement, guiding principles and Land Use Plan. The issues of sustainability, job opportunities, infrastructure, water, zoning and development were discussed.

Direction:

Council directed staff to return next month and rework the Land Use Plan based on tonight's

comments. The directions were as follows:

- Modify the Vision Statement to read: "Over the next 100 years, reuse of the Mill Site should help support Fort Bragg as a working town with a diversified economy and good jobs and a healthy, sustainable, resilient community with open space, parks and natural communities. New development on the Mill Site should enhance Fort Bragg's role as an economic, educational and cultural center for the Mendocino Coast."
- Modify the second sentence of Guiding Principle #3 to read: "Establish zoning for new job and educational opportunities on the Mill Site."
- Modify Guiding Principle #7 to read: "Require sustainable development practices to increase community resilience and address climate change."
- Modify Guiding Principle #10 to read: "Allow for ecological restoration including daylighting of creeks and culverts, enhancement of wetlands, offshore habitats, and upland habitats."

This Staff Report was referred to staff.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lee adjourned the meeting at 8:03 PM.

WILLIAM V. LEE, MAYOR

June Lemos, CMC, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)