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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*

Monday, March 27, 2017

6:00 PM

Town Hall, 363 N. Main Street

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Peters called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - 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

- 1A. [17-171](#)** Presentation of Proclamation Commending Ui Wesley for Good Samaritan Acts on Behalf of Veteran Harry Swets

Mayor Peters presented a Proclamation to Ui Wesley for her Good Samaritan acts in helping veteran Harry Swets on March 3, 2017. Ms. Wesley thanked the Council and said she was very honored to receive the award, but that she was just doing what was right.

- 1B. [17-163](#)** Presentation of Proclamation Declaring April 2017 to be "Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month"

Vice Mayor Lee read a Proclamation Declaring April 2017 as Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month. Mendocino Coast Child Abuse Prevention Council Chair Rosalie Gjerde, Leah Holbrook of Project Sanctuary, and Laura Welter of Safe Passage all gave remarks regarding the high rate of child abuse in this area and the steps that are being taken to help prevent such abuse.

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

- Ann Rennacker spoke about a Library Advisory Board project.
- Malcolm MacDonald asked about the Closed Session meeting this morning.

3. STAFF COMMENTS

Police Lieutenant Gilchrist reported on an altercation last night involving juveniles. City Manager Ruffing announced that City Hall would be closed on Wednesday for an In-Service Day.

4. MATTERS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Mayor Peters announced that at this morning's Closed Session, an Ad Hoc Committee on water rights issues was formed consisting of Councilmembers Turner and Cimolino. He reported on an upcoming MTA meeting and that the Georgia-Pacific real estate representative's trip to Fort Bragg on March 29 has been cancelled. Vice Mayor Lee itemized several recent special meetings of the City Council. He reported that he is the newest Rotarian in Fort Bragg, and read the Four-Way Test. Councilmember Cimolino reported on the Coalition for Gang Awareness and Prevention meeting and upcoming events. He said there is a new Teen Court in Fort Bragg which is a good program for troubled youth in the community. Councilmember Turner reported on the meeting of Mendocino Solid Waste Management Authority.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of the Consent Calendar

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

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

5A. [17-159](#)

Adopt Joint City Council/Municipal Improvement District No. 1 Resolution Amending the FY 2016/17 Budget for Mid-Year Budget Adjustments

This Joint City Council/Municipal Improvement District Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

Enactment No: RES 3984-2017 / ID 388-2017

5B. [17-169](#)

Adopt City Council Resolution Requesting PG&E to Retrofit Fort Bragg Streetlights with Energy-Saving LED Fixtures

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

Enactment No: RES 3985-2017

5C. [17-170](#)

Adopt City Council Resolution Designating Authorized Agents to Act on Behalf of the City of Fort Bragg Regarding Disaster Assistance Funding

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

Enactment No: RES 3986-2017

5D. [17-177](#)

Receive and File Minutes of the February 8, 2017 Public Works and Facilities Committee Meeting

These Committee Minutes were received and filed on the Consent Calendar.

5E. [17-168](#)

Approve Minutes of March 13, 2017

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

5F. [17-164](#)

Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of March 13, 2017

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 5G. [17-173](#)** Approve Minutes of Joint City Council/Mendocino Coast Recreation and Park District Special Meeting of March 20, 2017

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 5H. [17-174](#)** Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of March 21, 2017

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

- 6A. [17-158](#)** Receive Report, Conduct Public Hearing and Adopt City Council Resolutions to Revise Program Guidelines for Microenterprise Technical Assistance and Support Services Programs Funded by Community Development Block Grant 16-CDBG-11140

Special Projects Manager Owen presented the staff report, explaining that this public hearing is required by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in order to adopt the guidelines for the technical assistance and support services programs funded by CDBG Grant 16-CDBG-11140. She reported that there are no content changes in these guidelines, but they have been reformatted for consistency.

Mayor Peters opened the public hearing at 6:43 PM.

- Mary Ann Petrillo of West Company noted that they serve 350 clients a year in the County and 75 to 100 people in Fort Bragg through workshops and one-on-one counseling. She stated West Company is pleased to provide services and is looking for ways to improve their service all the time.

Mayor Peters Closed the public hearing at 6:45 PM.

A motion was made by Councilmember Turner, seconded by Councilmember Cimolino, that this Resolution regarding CDBG technical assistance guidelines 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 3988-2017 / RES 3989-2017

A motion was made by Councilmember Cimolino, seconded by Vice Mayor Lee, that this Resolution regarding CDBG micro-support services guidelines 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 3988-2017 / RES 3989-2017

7. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- 7A. [17-155](#)** Receive Recommendation from Public Works & Facilities Committee and Provide Direction Regarding Use of CDBG Supplemental Activity Funds for Bainbridge Park Improvements

Special Projects Manager Owen summarized the agenda item report, setting forth staff recommendations and asking for Council direction on five different points. She answered questions

from Councilmembers concerning the October 31 expenditure deadline, the height of the fence, the engineer's estimate, and timeline for completion.

Public Comment was received from:

- Kathy Silva thinks the fencing should match the Wiggly Giggly fence and supports a Spanish style pavilion.
- Eric Dwyer favors fencing for the park, with any left over funding going to the slip lining project.
- Bob Silva said the trees should be cut first before installing the fence, but if there is not enough time, fence installation should be the priority.
- Ann Rennacker wants to match the architecture of the pavilion with Veterans Hall.
- Simon Smith thinks spending the equivalent of a small house on a pavilion in a park is a waste of public funds and recommends cost-controlling options.

Discussion: After much discussion, the Council directed staff as follows:

- The \$33,290 in additional funding is to be used for Bainbridge Park improvements;
- The perimeter fence is to match the playground fencing;
- The trees are to be removed before constructing the fence, if possible;
- The Public Works and Facilities Committee will be consulted regarding what type of trees will be used to replace the ones that are removed;
- Wait on construction of the pavilion, but when it does move forward, use Spanish style value-engineered design, 24x48' in size, with electricity, designed for its intended purpose;
- Wait on the art and storybook walk;
- Proceed with entrance sign and landscaping;
- Proceed with resurfacing Wiggly Giggly playground, tennis courts, basketball and petanque;
- If funds run short, the priority is basketball before petanque.

This Staff Report was referred to staff.

Mayor Peters recessed the meeting at 7:58 PM; the meeting reconvened at 8:08 PM.

7B. [17-154](#) Receive Update on Glass Beach Stairway Replacement Project and Provide Direction Regarding Project Funding Source

City Manager Ruffing gave the staff report on this item.

Public Comment:

None.

Discussion: The Council discussed the issue of stairs vs. no stairs, the mitigation of rare plants, preservation of cultural resources, Glass Beach as a big attraction for the hotel industry, and deterring the removal of beach glass. Lee Welty of IL Welty & Associates answered questions from the Council regarding the plans for the stairway, the nature of the soil and a rockslide at the bottom of the stairs, fender piles to provide protection for the stairs, and other technical matters. Council directed staff as follows:

- Use the available Measure AA funds from FY 2016/17 and FY 2017/18 first, to fund a Maintenance Worker, second, to repay the dredge sands tipping fee fund for restoration and mitigation, and third, any remainder to go toward offsetting the cost of Glass Beach Stairs.
- Funds to be provided by a special revenue fund entitled Parkland Monitoring and Reporting Fund will be recorded as an inter-fund loan; if necessary, further direction regarding that transaction with the special revenue fund will be brought back to the Council when they consider awarding a contract for construction of the stairway.
- Finish up the design, put the project out to bid, and the next time it comes back to Council will be to award a contract and provide direction regarding project funding.

This Staff Report was referred to staff.

7C. [17-162](#)

Receive Recommendation from Finance & Administration Committee and Consider Adoption of Joint City Council & Municipal Improvement District Board Resolution Establishing Policy for Water and Sewer Connection and Capacity Fees for Accessory Dwelling Units

City Manager Ruffing gave the staff report on this agenda item and outlined the Finance and Administration Committee's recommendations. Concerns were noted about combining sewers when ADUs are built but subsequently sold. Discussion was held about backflow and inspection services so the addition of new connections does not cause problems.

Public Comment:

None.

A motion was made by Councilmember Turner, seconded by Councilmember Cimolino, 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 3989-2017

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

8. CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Peters adjourned the meeting at 9:15 PM.

LINDY PETERS, MAYOR

June Lemos, CMC, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)