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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 25, 2019

6:00 PM

Town Hall, 363 N. Main Street

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

AGENDA REVIEW

1. MAYOR'S RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1A. [19-145](#)** Proclamation in Support of the 2020 US Census and Presentation by Paula Cohen

Mayor Lee read a Proclamation in support of the 2020 US Census and presented it to Paula Cohen of the Community Foundation of Mendocino County. Ms. Cohen gave a summary of how the 2020 census will be conducted and its importance to the state and the community. She requested help in getting people to respond to the count so that the County will not lose funds due to undercounting.

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

(1) Non-Agenda Items:

- Rex Gressett stated that hundreds of issues are important to the city that require leadership from the Council, and failure of people to attend Council meetings is a failure of democracy.
- Jamie Peters requested that the Council consider limiting formula stores in Fort Bragg so small businesses can thrive, thereby retaining the integrity of the community.

(2) Consent Calendar Items:

- Rex Gressett does not want to see the Housing Element report on the Consent Calendar as it is a matter for intense discussion by the community.

(3) Closed Session Items: None.

3. STAFF COMMENTS

City Manager Miller noted that the Council goal setting retreat is this Wednesday at the Sequoia Room. Chief Lizarraga provided an update on recent shooting incidents and a multi-agency effort that resulted in arrests. Public Works Assistant Director Smith gave the Council an update on the

following projects: Rehab of lighting at Glass Beach Apartments; HOME Owner Occupied Rehabilitation projects; Integrated Regional Water Management application for Pudding Creek water main replacement project; storm water trash capture project; Town Hall heater replacement project.

4. MATTERS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Vice Mayor Norvell read statistics on gang-related incidents in Fort Bragg and requested a forum with the Police Department, School District and members of the community to talk about the problem and how to solve it. Councilmember Albin-Smith reported on a recent CalCog conference. Councilmember Peters reported on his recent interview for a seat on the California Coastal Commission and thanked everyone who wrote letters of support on his behalf. Mayor Lee said the broadband ad hoc committee met last week and he hopes to present a plan to Council soon about high speed broadband for Fort Bragg.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Vice Mayor Norvell requested that Item 5F be removed from Consent for further discussion.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Vice Mayor Norvell, to approve the Consent Calendar with the exception of Item 5F. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 5A. [19-136](#)** Adopt Joint City Council/Municipal Improvement District Resolution Amending the FY 2018/2019 Budget for Mid-Year Budget Adjustments

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

Enactment No: RES 4155-2019 / RES ID 409-2019

- 5B. [19-144](#)** Approve City of Fort Bragg 2018 Street Safety Plan

This Report was accepted on the Consent Calendar.

- 5C. [19-137](#)** Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of March 7, 2019

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 5D. [19-138](#)** Approve Minutes of Joint City Council/Mendocino Coast Recreation and Park District Special Meeting of March 7, 2019

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 5E. [19-148](#)** Approve Minutes of March 11, 2019

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

5F. [19-156](#) Receive Annual General Plan Report and Housing Element Report

Discussion was held regarding the timing of the addition of this agenda item to the Consent Calendar. Community Development Director Jones explained that the state requires a report be submitted to the governing body by April 1 of each year, and the next regular meeting of the Council on April 8 would be after the due date. She summarized what the two reports contain and noted that the Housing Element is due in October 2019 and will include a comprehensive planning effort that will involve the entire community.

Public Comment:

- Mayor Lee read an objection by Jacob Patterson to the late addition of the reports.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Norvell, seconded by Councilmember Peters, that these Consent Calendar reports be accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

6. DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS**7. PUBLIC HEARING****8. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS****8A. [19-140](#) Receive Report and Consider Introducing by Title Only and Waiving the First Reading of Ordinance No. 945-2019 Repealing and Replacing Section 10.20.150 (Mobile Vending - Permit - Required) and Section 10.20.155 (Parking of Mobile Vending Vehicles - Permit - Liability Insurance Requirements) of Chapter 10.20 (Stopping, Standing and Parking) of Title 10 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the Fort Bragg Municipal Code**

Councilmember Morsell-Haye recused herself from hearing this item, citing a potential business conflict of interest. She left the Council chamber at 6:48 PM.

Community Development Director Jones presented the staff report on this agenda item, noting recent minor changes to the definitions section and the CEQA paragraph of the Ordinance.

Public Comment was received from:

- Rex Gressett stated that food trucks should be able to compete with the School District at sporting events to encourage a competitive society and prosperous economy.

Discussion was held on the use of styrofoam containers, noise, and competition with other events. The Council generally agreed that food trucks should not be allowed to compete with snack sales that help fund youth activities.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Norvell, seconded by Councilmember Peters, that this Ordinance be introduced by title only, waiving the first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Mayor Lee, Vice Mayor Norvell, Councilmember Albin-Smith and Councilmember Peters

Recuse: 1 - Councilmember Morsell-Haye

8B. [19-141](#) Receive Report and Consider Adopting City Council Resolution Approving

a Multi-Year Contract with City of Ukiah for Dispatch Services (FY 2019-20 Amount Not to Exceed \$350,123.78; Account No. 110-4200-0319)

Councilmember Morsell-Haye returned to the chamber at 7:07 PM.

Police Chief Lizarraga presented the staff report on this agenda item.

Public Comment was received from:

- Rex Gressett suggested that dispatch services be operated out of people's homes because sending Dispatch over the hill is a key weakness in the overall infrastructure of the city.

Discussion: The Council generally agreed that taking dispatch services on in-house would be too expensive and the City should continue contracting with Ukiah for these services. The proposed contract provides for a report on costs under Paragraph 8. The Council requested that staff ask for this report and bring the matter back to the next regular Council meeting.

This Resolution was referred to staff with direction to obtain a Report on Costs as called for in the contract; staff is to bring the matter back on the April 8, 2019 agenda.

8C. [19-139](#)

Receive Report and Consider Adoption of Municipal Improvement District No. 1 Resolution Approving Professional Services Agreement with SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists, Inc. to Provide Construction Management and Inspection Services for the Sewer Lift Station Project, City Project No. 2019-01, Authorizing District Manager to Execute Same (Amount Not To Exceed \$49,500; Account 716-7003-0731)

Public Works Assistant Director Smith gave the report on this item and spoke about safety issues and the need for repairs to the sewer lift stations due to their age.

Public Comment: None.

Discussion: Councilmembers asked questions of civil engineer Jason Island of SHN.

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Councilmember Morsell-Haye, that this ID 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 ID 410-2019

9. CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lee adjourned the meeting at 7:43 PM.

WILLIAM V. LEE, MAYOR

June Lemos, CMC, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)