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Meeting of the
Scotts Valley City Council
Date: March 20, 2024
Time: 6:00 PM

CONTACT INFORMATION	MEETING LOCATION	POSTING
City of Scotts Valley 1 Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066 (831) 440-5600	City Council Chambers 1 Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066 OR Zoom Video Conference https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83295730901	The agenda was posted on 3-15-2024 at City Hall, SV Senior Center, SV Public Works Building, and on the Internet at www.scottsvally.gov .

CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Randy Johnson, Mayor Derek Timm, Vice Mayor Jack Dilles, Council Member Donna Lind, Council Member Allan Timms, Council Member	CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mali LaGoe, City Manager Kirsten Powell, City Attorney Steve Walpole, Chief of Police Stephanie Hill, Administrative Services Director Taylor Bateman, Community Development Director Steve Jesberg, Public Works Scott Hamby, Public Works Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM Lind attended a meeting of the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (METRO), and they approved the hiring of Corey Aldridge as the new Chief Executive Officer. The

Pacific Avenue METRO facility is closed for construction and there is a temporary METRO station located on Front Street.

CM Lind attended a Scotts Valley Chamber of Commerce ambassador meeting where they continued with the planning for the awards gala which is scheduled for May 10th at Roaring Camp in the Bret Harte Hall.

CM Lind attended a Scotts Valley Chamber of Commerce planning meeting for the annual Art, Wine and Beer festival scheduled for August 17th and 18th. They are looking for artists, wineries, breweries, and non-profit organizations to participate.

CM Lind announced that the Scotts Valley Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with Irish Eyes, will be holding a 40-year anniversary party on March 21st at 5:30 PM. Debbie, the owner of Irish Eyes, has been a member of the Chamber for the entire 40 years.

CM Lind will be attending a debrief meeting for the recent Hitchcock Festival.

CM Lind gave congratulations to Nick Stoeberl for singing the anthem at the Santa Cruz Warriors game on March 15th.

VM Timm announced that Visit Santa Cruz launched the new Symmetry Guide this week.

VM Timm attended a meeting of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) where they heard an update on the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy. They also heard an overview of AMBAG's 2024 Title VI Program.

CM Dilles attended the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) as the alternate for Mayor Johnson. They heard a presentation by Glydways, which is a company that provides an electric autonomous pod car venture. They also received a report on the ongoing construction along Highway 1 from State Park Drive to Bay/Porter for the auxiliary lanes and bus on shoulder project. This project includes a new pedestrian/bike overcrossing at Mar Vista Drive and replacement of the old overcrossing at Capitola Avenue. The demolition of the overcrossing at Capitola Avenue which was scheduled for this weekend has been postponed to Saturday, April 7th due to weather.

CM Dilles accompanied the Meals on Wheels driver today to deliver meals to seniors in the community.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Budget Update: The FY22/23 audit will be finalized in the next couple of weeks, and the City is kicking off the budget development process for the fiscal year 2024/2025.

Capital Improvement Program (CIP): A meeting was held today for the CIP where they discussed the projects that have been completed this fiscal year, as well as future planning.

Citizens Academy: The session of the Citizens Academy held last night was the final session with presentations and included presentations from the School District and the Water District. Next week is the graduation ceremony.

Recreation Sustainability for Parks and Recreation Programs: Last week, two City staff members attended a conference about financial sustainability for recreation programs and both received certifications in fiscal sustainability specifically in parks and recreation programs.

Community Video Project: Video for the community video projects was completed in various locations around town this week. A huge thank you goes out to Tam Communications for doing all of the filming and to everyone who participated in this project.

Chamber Economic Development Committee: At the meeting today, they finalized the survey that will go out to all Scotts Valley businesses to determine how they are doing, how they recovered from the pandemic, what their future plans are and what support they need from either the City or the Chamber.

Steve Jesberg, Interim Public Works Director: City Manager LaGoe gave a huge shout out to Steve Jesberg who has been serving in the roll of Interim Public Works Director since August and his last day is tomorrow. Steve is a public works rock star and has assisted the City in moving forward with some very important projects. Steve spoke and recognized the spirit of cooperation and teamwork that he has experienced. He thanked City Manager LaGoe, the Council, the department heads and his staff. The Council members also thanked Steve for his dedication.

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

Albert Lustre, from the Northern California Locals 405, spoke regarding using local contractors and apprentices for projects.

CM Lind and CM Dilles commended Recreation Division Manager Pfefferkorn and the staff for the successful ribbon cutting and grand opening of the Skypark Tot Lot.

ALTERATIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

M/S: Timms/Timm**To approve the Consent Agenda with no alterations.****Carried 5/0 (AYES: Johnson, Timm, Dilles, Lind, Timms)****CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve City Council minutes of 03-06-2024
2. Approve check register dated 03-01-2024 through 03-14-2024
3. Wastewater Shaftless Screw Conveyor Project Change Orders No. 1 and No. 2
4. On-Call Paving and Concrete Repairs Contract Change Orders No. 2 and No. 3

ALTERATIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA**M/S: Dilles/Lind****To approve the Regular Agenda with no alterations.****Carried 5/0 (AYES: Johnson, Timm, Dilles, Lind, Timms)****REGULAR AGENDA**

1. Children's Bill of Rights

City Manager LaGoe presented this item, and CM Timms gave some background information and then read the Children's Bill of Rights for the record. The Council discussed the Bill of Rights and CM Timm requested staff to consider adding these two passages:

The right to feel welcome and free to play in neighborhoods, schoolyards parks, and participate in outdoor recreation programs

The right to safe pathways to school and safe access to trails, green spaces, forests, ponds and streams

All Council members were in favor of the addition of both these statements to the Children's Bill of Rights.

The following people gave public comment in favor of the Children's Bill of Rights: Prathik K., a junior at Scotts Valley High School and a member of the Youth Action Network steering committee; Brent Kong, a junior at Scotts Valley High School and a member of the Youth Action Network; and Sarah Emmert, the Director of Community Impact for the United Way of Santa Cruz County, who also gave a special thanks to CM Lind and CM Timms for their support and collaboration in prioritizing the voices

and needs of young people. Ms. Emmert also suggested that the Council consider creating a formal youth liaison position.

M/S: Timms/Lind

To approve the City of Scotts Valley Children's Bill of Rights with the addition of the two statements listed above.

Carried 5/0 (AYES: Johnson, Timm, Dilles, Lind, Timms)

2. Strategic Goals for Fiscal Year 2024-25

City Manager LaGoe presented this item and responded to questions and comments from the Council.

M/S: Timm/Timms

To adopt the 2024-2025 Strategic Goals as presented.

Carried 5/0 (AYES: Johnson, Timm, Dilles, Lind, Timms)

3. Future Council Agenda Items

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 PM.

Attest:

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Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk

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Randy Johnson, Mayor