



MINUTES

Meeting of the
Scotts Valley City Council
Date: April 17, 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 4-12-2024 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 6:00 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 Stephanie Hill, Administrative Services Director Jayson Rutherford, Police Captain Scott Hamby, Public Works Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM Dilles attended the three Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) graduations, and he attended the Police Department Volunteer Dinner which recognized the volunteers, reserves and explorers.

VM Timm attended a meeting of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments

(AMBAG) where they approved the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and the Sustainable Community Strategy Plan.

CM Lind announced that it is National Public Safety Communicator Appreciation Week. The City is lucky to have its own dispatch service and 911 call center, and because of the work of the dispatchers, we are able to be open 24 hours, 7 days a week. CM Lind shared her appreciation for our dispatchers and urged others to do the same.

CM Lind noted that she is proud that the Police Department still teaches DARE in the City's elementary schools and thanked everyone involved for their dedication to this program.

Mayor Johnson attended a meeting of the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) where they discussed the Rail Trail project. He noted that more on this item will be discussed, and potentially settled, at a meeting tomorrow in the Scotts Valley City Council Chambers.

Mayor Johnson attended the Police Department volunteer dinner and is impressed with how many people find time in their busy lives to volunteer. He plans to do a future mayor's column on volunteerism throughout the County.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 Budget: We are well on our way to developing the budget for FY 2024-2025, and the staff is looking forward to meeting with the budget subcommittee for a series of meetings before the full budget is presented to the City Council on May 15th.

Meeting with PG&E: In a productive meeting with PG&E, they discussed hardening the PG&E infrastructure to prepare for wildfire season, minimizing the impacts on residents specifically regarding power outages, and they discussed the proposed rate increases. City Manager LaGoe requested additional data from PG&E.

Meeting with AT&T: In a productive meeting with AT&T they discussed the application that AT&T submitted to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to drop their responsibility as the carrier of last resort, which impacts our City. If the CPUC does approve this request there will be a long implementation period so we have some time to navigate this situation. AT&T will be prohibited from leaving customers without communication service. We continue to maintain communication with AT&T on this issue. Another topic of discussion was the communication lines that feed the City's emergency dispatch and the wastewater infrastructure.

Leadership Santa Cruz: City Manager LaGoe attended the *Agriculture Day* for Leadership Santa Cruz and learned a lot about the agriculture industry in Santa Cruz County, the different types of farms, as well as the role of the Land Trust.

Library Director Final Interview Panel: As a member of the Board of Directors for the Library Joint Powers authority, City Manager LaGoe will be on the interview panel as they hold final interviews next week for the County Library Director.

Housing for Health Board Meeting: City Manager LaGoe attended the Housing for Health Board meeting. As a reminder, this seat rotates between Scotts Valley and Capitola. May is Affordable Housing Month so there are many events happening across the County to highlight affordable housing, educate people about affordable housing and look at various types of affordable housing projects. Of the many events that will be occurring in the month of May, two noteworthy events are the Affordable Housing Now event on May 21st regarding the future housing developments and impacts to the water supply; and the Countywide Housing Panel on May 13th where each jurisdiction will highlight the housing programs in their respective areas.

City of Scott Valley Wildfire Preparedness Event: The City will host an event at the Performing Arts Center on May 14th at 6:00 PM to discuss wildfire preparedness and the wildfire insurance crisis in our area.

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

CM Lind announced that the Scotts Valley Chamber of Commerce Community Awards Gala is on May 10th at Roaring Camp and early bird pricing is available through April 26th. Tickets can be purchased by accessing the Chamber's website. At the gala they will be recognizing Man of the Year Victor Alejandro, Woman of the Year June Barron, Business of the Year Steel Bonnet Brewing, Educator of the Year Christie Danner, Organization of the Year Scotts Valley Youth Softball, Youth of the Year Kevin Pugazhenthir and Ambassador of the Year Keira Mulder.

Rhonda Reyna, a resident of Scotts Valley, spoke about her federal lawsuit and stated that she feels that people are indifferent to her suffering, and she feels that city leaders should intervene on her behalf.

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 from the 04-03-2024 meeting
2. Approve check register dated 03-22-2024 through 04-11-2024

3. Public Works Facility Improvement Project – Building Construction. Project No. 24-002, Change Order No. 1
4. Amendment to the surface remediation agreement between the City of Scotts Valley and the City of Santa Cruz

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The public hearing was held after the Regular Agenda (see Alterations to Regular Agenda).

1. Discussion of City of Scotts Valley application for Community Development Block Grant Program Income (CDBG-PI) Funds

City Manager LaGoe presented this item. Consultant Lorie Adams from Adams Ashby attended virtually to answer questions.

The Council Members asked clarifying questions and gave input. All Council Members were in favor of the ADA improvements to the Senior Center.

Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing at 6:39 PM. No members of the public came forward, and the public hearing was closed at 6:40 PM.

M/S: Timms/Lind

To use the CDBG PI funds to make ADA and other improvements to the Senior Center, and to use any remaining funds for ADA path of travel improvements at city parks.

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

ALTERATIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA

M/S: Lind/Timm

To hold the Public Hearing after the Regular Agenda and approve the Regular Agenda with this alteration.

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

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Consider request to display the Pride flag to commemorate Pride Month from June 1st to June 30th, 2024

City Manager LaGoe gave the background of the flag policy, and the Council Members spoke about the desire to have the City of Scotts Valley continue to be welcoming and inclusive to all people.

Rhonda Reyna, a resident of Scotts Valley, spoke in opposition to displaying the Pride

Flag.

Adina Licht, a resident of Scotts Valley, spoke in favor of displaying the Pride Flag.

M/S: Timm/Dilles

To display the Pride flag to commemorate Pride Month from June 1st to June 30th, 2024.

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

2. Future Council Agenda Items

None.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

The City Council convened to closed session at 6:48 PM to discuss the following items:

CLOSED SESSION SUBJECT(S)

1. Conference with legal counsel regarding real property negotiations
Legal Authority: Government Code Section 54956.8
Location: APNS: 022-721-07, 022-721-08, 022-721-09 (Town Center)
Staff Present: City Manager, City Attorney, Administrative Services Director
2. Conference with legal counsel regarding liability claim
Legal Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9
Name of Case: Clark Claim
Staff Present: City Manager, City Attorney
3. Public Employee Annual Performance Evaluation
Legal Authority: Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)
Position: City Manager
Staff Present: City Manager, City Attorney

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The City Council reconvened to open session at 8:05 PM.

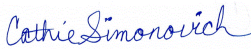
REPORT ON ACTION TAKE DURING CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Powell announced that there was no report from the Closed Session meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Attest:

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Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk

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Randy Johnson, Mayor