



MINUTES

Special Meeting of the
Scotts Valley City Council
Date: June 12, 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 6-7-2024 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 Taylor Bateman, Community Development Director Stephanie Hill, Administrative Services Director Rodolfo Onchi, Public Works Director Steve Walpole, Police Chief Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM Dilles traveled on City business to the Netherlands along with Recreation Division Manager Allison Pfefferkorn and Senior Planner Sarah Wikle. This trip was organized

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by Ecology Action and included 30 people from various organizations in Santa Cruz County. They learned about how to meet various transportation needs by using the following guidelines: allowing cars and cyclists to share the road without barriers only if the speed limit is 20 miles per hour, separating cars and cyclists if the speed limit is

30 miles per hour, keeping cyclists off of the road if the speed limit is 50 miles per hour, using different materials on different types of roads in order to control speed and using red asphalt for the bike lanes. The key concepts they use when developing transportation networks are coherence, directness, attractiveness, safety, and comfort. CM Dilles would like to see the City incorporate some of these guidelines and concepts when completing the work on Scotts Valley Drive and Mount Hermon Road, and while developing the Town Center.

VM Timm reported that the meeting of the Association for Monterey Bay Area Governments is also this evening so the City of Scotts Valley will not have a representative in attendance.

CM Lind attended the Santa Cruz Arts Commission's annual celebration.

Mayor Johnson attended a meeting of the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) where they discussed Ecology Action's bike incentive plan, the request from CalTrans for additional funding, and the status of the Rail-Trail project.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP): The WWTP has been experiencing equipment failures resulting in not being able to provide recycled water. The City is working diligently to address these issues but in the meantime, we are unable to water the parks.

MBASIA Board Meeting: City Manager LaGoe participated in the MBASIA board meeting where the budget was adopted for the next fiscal year, and they discussed risk management and cybersecurity. The trend of escalating costs in the insurance market continues, however Scotts Valley's total budgeted costs for the upcoming fiscal year remain flat. All members of the group have done a great job in addressing cybersecurity, which has helped in keeping those rates low.

Housing for Health Policy Board Meeting: This meeting focused on HUD regulations and program monitoring. They also reviewed the preliminary point-in-time count data results. The point-in-time count happens every January where volunteers speak to individuals who are experiencing homelessness. The data shows an increase in homelessness for seniors and a decrease in homelessness for families, youth and veterans. Overall, the count increased by about 2%, for a total of approximately 1,800 individuals.

Candidate Info Night: Last night, the City Clerk, County Clerk and City Manager

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hosted a candidate information night in-person, on Zoom, and streamed live to the City's YouTube channel. For anyone who was unable to attend, the video can be viewed on the City's YouTube channel.

Town Center Meetings: There have several Town Center meetings recently to review the design concepts and the City looks forward to engaging with the public later this summer.

Next Regular City Council Meeting: The next regularly scheduled meeting will be August 7th.

Upcoming City Hall Holiday Closures: City offices will be closed on June 19th and July 4th. There will not be a fireworks show on July 4th, but the City will host the parade at noon on Scotts Valley Drive between Civic Center Drive and El Pueblo Road.

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

None.

ALTERATIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

M/S: Lind/Timms

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 06-05-2024
2. Approve check register dated 05-24-2024 through 06-06-2024
3. Adopt November 5, 2024 Election Resolutions
4. Approve 2024 Memorandum of Agreement for the Santa Cruz Integrated Regional Water Management Plan
5. Adopt resolution establishing the FY 2024-25 Appropriations Limit
6. Adopt resolution approving the annual review of the City of Scotts Valley Investment Policy
7. Adopt Resolution No. 1596.48 authorizing the levy of annual special tax roll for Scotts Valley Drive for Community Facilities District 97-1 for Fiscal Year 2024-25
8. Approve the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Annual Budget Items

9. Approve the ratified terms for the FY 2024/25 – 2026/27 Memoranda of Understandings between the City and PBU, PSA, Mid-Management, SEIU, and approve the Management and Confidential Summary of Compensation, and to authorize the City Manager and Administrative Services Director to implement the terms July 1, 2024.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The following items were heard in the order listed below:

- 1st: Regular Agenda Item 2 - Consideration to proceed with a ballot measure for changes to the City's business license tax ordinance (SVMC Title 5, Chapter 5.04) for the November 2024 General Election
- 2nd: Public Hearing Item 1 - Pinewood Estates Maintenance Assessment District
- 3rd: Public Hearing Item 2 - Skypark Open Space Maintenance Assessment District
- 4th: Regular Item 1 - Regional Transportation Commission presentation regarding the Zero Emission Passenger Rail and Trail Project Initial Conceptual Alignment and Conceptual Rail Transit Vehicle Type Analysis
- 5th: Public Hearing Item 3 - Consider approval of proposed FY2024/25 User Fees and Charges

1. Public Hearing for Pinewood Estates Maintenance Assessment District (heard 2nd – see ordered list above)

Rodolfo Onchi, Public Works Director, presented this item.

Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing at 7:21 PM. No members of the public came forward to provide public comment, and Mayor Johnson closed the public hearing at 7:21 PM.

VM Timm requested that staff begin the process of utilizing the Proposition 218 procedure and work with the residents to potentially increase the amount of the assessment.

M/S: Timm/Timms

To approve the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Annual Engineer's Report and to adopt Resolution No. 1213.38 ordering and authorizing the levy and collection of assessments therein pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 for the Pinewood Estates Landscaping Maintenance District, and to direct City staff to undertake the Proposition 218 procedure and work with the residents to update the assessment for this maintenance district.

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

2. Public Hearing for Skypark Open Space Maintenance Assessment District (heard 3rd – see ordered list above)

Rodolfo Onchi, Public Works Director, presented this item. City staff recently met with K&D Landscaping Company to look at the condition of the trail, and they discussed the scope of the contract. Staff will be providing more direction to the contractor to improve the level of service within the original scope of work.

Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing at 7:29 PM.

Gillian McGlaze, a resident of Skypark, requested that the Fire Marshall visit the slope area again, and requested that the Council look at the three items on the benefits assessment, particularly the breakdown of the City Administration category.

Mayor Johnson closed the public hearing at 7:32 PM.

VM Timm requested that staff begin the process of utilizing the Proposition 218 procedure and work with the residents to potentially increase the amount of the assessment.

M/S: Timm/Lind

To approve the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Annual Engineer's Report, to adopt Resolution No. 1555-SP-36 ordering and authorizing the levy and collection of assessments therein pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 for the Skypark Landscaping Maintenance District, and to direct City staff to undertake the Proposition 218 procedure and work with the residents to update the assessment for this maintenance district.

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

3. Consider approval of proposed FY2024/25 User Fees and Charges
(heard 5th – see ordered list above)

Stephanie Hill, Administrative Services Director, and Nicole Kissam the City's consultant from NBS, presented this item and responded to questions from the Council.

Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing at 8:36 PM. No members of the public came forward, and Mayor Johnson closed the public hearing at 8:36 PM.

M/S: Timm/Timms

To adopt Resolution No. 1198.75 approving the user fees and charges schedule for 2024-25.

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

ALTERATIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA

M/S: Timm/Timms

To approve the Regular Agenda with the alteration of changing the order as noted above.

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

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Regional Transportation Commission presentation regarding the Zero Emission Passenger Rail and Trail Project Initial Conceptual Alignment and Conceptual Rail Transit Vehicle Type Analysis

(heard 4th – see ordered list above)

Grace Blakeslee from the Regional Transportation Commission presented this item and responded to questions and comments from the Council.

2. Consideration to proceed with a ballot measure for changes to the City's business license tax ordinance (SVMC Title 5, Chapter 5.04) for the November 2024 General Election
(heard 1st – see ordered list above)

Mali LaGoe, City Manager, and Steve Toler, the City's consultant from Baker Tilly presented this item and responded to questions from the Council Members.

David Alreck, a resident of Scotts Valley, recommended that the City Council look at a hybrid approach using both the revenue-based and the employee-based approaches, depending on the type of business.

M/S: Timm/Dilles

To direct staff to prepare the ordinance, amendment and accompanying resolution for Option B to be brought back for City Council review and final decision on August 7, 2024.

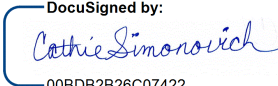
Carried 5/0 (AYES: Johnson, Timm, Dilles, Lind, Timms)

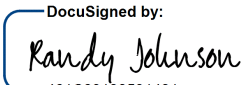
3. Future Council Agenda Items

Council Member Dilles proposed a future agenda item to explore adopting a fee for applications to sell tobacco in Scotts Valley.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 PM.

Attest: 
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Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk

Approved: 
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Randy Johnson, Mayor