



MINUTES

Meeting of the
Scotts Valley City Council
Date: February 5, 2025
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 1-31-2024 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: Derek Timm, Mayor Allan Timms, Vice Mayor Steve Clark, Council Member Krista Jett, Council Member Donna Lind, Council Member	CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mali LaGoe, City Manager Kirsten Powell, City Attorney Steve Walpole, Police Chief Stephanie Hill, Administrative Services Director Rodolfo Onchi, Public Works Director Taylor Bateman, Community Development Director Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk
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SPECIAL SET MATTER

1. Mayor's Proclamation honoring Don Murray, Reserve Police Officer

Mayor Timm presented the proclamation to Don Murray for his 30 years as a reserve police officer.

Reserve Officer Murray thanked the Council for this honor and the following people spoke to congratulate him on the accomplishment: Former Council Member Randy Johnson, Retired Police Chief Steve Lind, Retired Scotts Valley Fire District Chief Ron Whittle, Council Member Donna Lind, and Police Chief Steve Walpole.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM Clark completed the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) orientation and now has scheduled meetings each month with the Executive Director to discuss the published agenda. The next RTC meeting scheduled for 2/6 conflicts with the City Council workshop so the alternate representative Gine Johnson will attend.

CM Clark attended the Library Financing Authority meeting where they appointed Melinda Orbach (Capitola) as the new Chair and Steve Clark as the Vice Chair. They also approved the mid-year budget and the projected budget for the next year.

CM Clark attended two Seniors Council workshop meetings, Caregiving that Works and Affordable Aging. May is older Americans month, and the Council may be receiving a proclamation request.

CM Jett attended the Youth Action Network meeting where they discussed the Leaders Unite Workshop which benefits the youth in our county. This workshop will be on Saturday, March 29th from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

CM Jett attended the Town Center Subcommittee meeting where they discussed updating the specific plan to reflect the preferred vision and implementing the Environmental Impact Report (EIR). They also brainstormed ideas for using the land in this interim period.

CM Lind attended a Santa Cruz County Metropolitan Transit District (METRO) board meeting and noted that they have rolled back some of the aspects of the METRO Reimagined program. There will be 20 buses coming from San Diego, but in the meantime portions of the program are postponed due to aging buses.

CM Lind, along with CM Clark, attended the Library Financing Authority meeting (see report above).

Mayor Timm attended the Visit Santa Cruz County (VSCC) meeting where they reviewed the budget and Mayor Timm noted that Scotts Valley is performing well. VSCC signed a new lease and will be moving next door to the Museum of Art and History (MAH).

Mayor Timm, along with CM Jett, attended the Town Center Subcommittee meeting (see report above).

Mayor Timm attended the City Selection Committee meeting where he and City Manager LaGoe were appointed to the Central Coast Community Energy Policy Board and Operations Board, respectively. For the Santa Cruz County Local Area Formation Commission (LAFCO) VM Timms was appointed as an ex-officio member.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

New Council Member Orientation: City Manager LaGoe thanked CM Jett and CM Clark for attending the League of California Cities New Council Members Orientation in Sacramento.

Annual Strategic Planning Workshop: The annual strategic planning workshop will be held tomorrow and Friday, 2/6 and 2/7, at the Scotts Valley Water District, Santa Margarita Community Room. This is a public meeting, and the public is encouraged to attend.

Sales Tax: Staff met with the City's sales tax consultant and sales tax revenues are down statewide, however Santa Cruz County and specifically Scotts Valley are doing a little better than the central coast and the statewide averages.

New District Director for Assemblymember Gail Pellerin: City Manager LaGoe, along with Mayor Timm, met with Mary Anne Groen, the new District Director for Assemblymember Pellerin. They discussed issues important to Scotts Valley and specific needs.

Legal Conference: Representatives from the Police Department and the Administrative Services Department attended a legal conference regarding employment in law enforcement to keep abreast of recent changes in the law.

Valley Gardens Project: A recent meeting regarding the Valley Gardens project focused on moving this project forward and getting it on track to be presented to the Planning Commission and then to the City Council.

Autism Awareness Lunch: City Manager LaGoe, along with Mayor Timm, attended an autism awareness lunch hosted by Visit Santa Cruz where they learned more about the Autism Certification Program and Scotts Valley was recognized for the commitment to moving the autism certification process forward in the City.

Storm Updates: In preparation for the upcoming storms, the Maintenance vacuumed all of the City's storm drains. This is a big accomplishment with huge benefits.

Fields Closed: The fields are closed to protect the turf and for safety reasons. These closures are being announced on social media to keep the public informed.

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

Evan Siroky expressed his displeasure with the City's affordable housing development efforts.

CM Lind announced that the Fallen Officers Foundation Ball will be on 2/22 at the Cocoanut Grove in Santa Cruz. Visit scfof.org for tickets or to learn more information.

ALTERATIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

City Manager LaGoe noted that there is an amended staff report for Consent Agenda Item 4.

M/S: Clark/Lind

To approve the Consent Agenda with the alteration of the amended staff report for Item 4.

Carried 5/0 (AYES: Timm, Timms, Clark, Jett, Lind)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve City Council minutes of 01-15-2025
2. Approve check register dated 1-11-2025 through 1-31-2025
3. Ratify appointments to Arts Commission
4. Contract with David J Powers for Environmental Impact Report for the Updated Town Center Specific Plan
5. Professional Services Agreement Amendment: Cloud-Based Computerized Maintenance Management Software (CMMS) System
6. Investment Report for the Quarter Ended December 31, 2024
7. Termination of City's Declaration of Local Emergency related to the tornado

ALTERATIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA

M/S: Lind/Clark

To approve the Regular Agenda with no alterations.

Carried 5/0 (AYES: Timm, Timms, Clark, Jett, Lind)

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Receive Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Mid-Year Report, including Proposed Budget Amendments

Administrative Services Director Stephanie Hill presented the mid-year budget report with the inclusion of the proposed amendments and responded to questions from the Council Members.

M/S: Timms/Jett

To accept the financial report through December 31, 2024, and approve Resolution No. 630.44.1 amending the FY 24/25 Annual Budget for the related revenue and expenditure adjustments.

Carried 5/0 (AYES: Timm, Timms, Clark, Jett, Lind)

2. Future Council Agenda Items

None.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

The City Council convened to closed session at 6:41 PM to discuss the following item:

CLOSED SESSION SUBJECT(S)

1. Conference with legal counsel regarding real property negotiations
Legal Authority: Government Code Section 54956.8
Location: 360 Kings Village Road, Scotts Valley, CA 95066
Staff Present: City Manager, City Attorney, Administrative Services Director

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

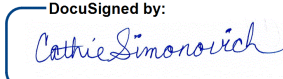
The City Council reconvened to open session at 7:03 PM.

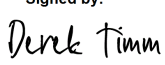
REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Powell announced that there was nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 PM.

Attest: 
Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk

Signed by: 
Approved: 
Derek Timm, Mayor