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Meeting of the Scotts Valley City Council

Date: June 1, 2022

Time: 6:00 PM

CONTACT INFORMATION	MEETING LOCATION	POSTING
City of Scotts Valley 1 Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066 (831) 440-5600	Zoom Video Conference	The agenda was posted on 5-27-2022 at City Hall and on the Internet at www.scottsvalley.org .

CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Donna Lind, Mayor
Jim Reed, Vice Mayor
Jack Dilles, Council Member
Randy Johnson, Council Member
Derek Timm, Council Member

CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mali LaGoe, City Manager
Kirsten Powell, City Attorney
Steve Walpole, Chief of Police
Taylor Bateman, Community Development Director
Casey Estorga, Administrative Services Director
Chris Lamm, Public Works Director/City Engineer
Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk

SPECIAL SET MATTER(S)

Mayor Lind presented the Mayor's Proclamation recognizing June 15, 2022, as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day and recognizing the month of June as Elder Abuse Awareness Month. Terri Noto, Adult Protective Services Social Work Supervisor, accepted the proclamation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM Johnson attended the Town Center subcommittee meeting, along with City staff, where they interviewed a potential consultant for the project.

CM Timm attended the Town Center subcommittee meeting and reported that the committee is at a strategic point where they need to ensure that the plan aligns with the community's vision of the project.

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CM Timm attended the Housing panel where they spoke about affordable housing (May was Affordable Housing Month) and were able to communicate the work that the City has been doing with respect to affordable housing. They also discussed the housing element and meeting the new Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) numbers (1200 units in Scotts Valley over the next eight years).

CM Dilles attended a meeting of the Monterey Bay Economic Partnership where they presented their annual regional economic outlook. They presented information on the supercharged economy, the job availability rate, homebuying trends, and the shortage of labor and materials. The speaker's suggested solution to these issues is to build multi-family housing.

CM Dilles attended a meeting of the Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency where they heard about the plans to monitor groundwater.

CM Dilles, along with Mayor Lind, attended a tour of the Orchard Run Well near the Polo Ranch developments and they did a taste test of Scotts Valley water.

CM Dilles, along with Mayor Lind, attended the Senior Center board meeting where the guest speaker was Congressman Jimmy Panetta.

CM Reed attend the Budget Subcommittee meeting, and the budget will be presented in detail later in the agenda.

Mayor Lind attended her first Local Agency Formation Committee (LAFCo) meeting where they considered a proposal of a reorganization of the Pajaro Fire District, and they passed the budget for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

Mayor Lind attended the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District Board (Metro) meeting where they also passed the 2022-23 budget, and they discussed the issue of difficulty in recruitment.

Mayor Lind attended the Scotts Valley Senior Center meeting with Public Works Director Lamm and CM Dilles. As mentioned previously, Congressman Panetta was the guest speaker and Mayor Lind addressed our funding request with him as well as the funding for the Vine Hill modular building.

Mayor Lind commended staff for the work on the budget.

Mayor Lind represented the City at the Dientes 30-year celebration and acknowledged on behalf of the City the work that Dientes has been doing by providing dental services for low-income families throughout the County.

Mayor Lind has been involved in the planning for the Independence Day celebration on the 3rd of July. They are still looking for sponsors and volunteers for both the parade and the fireworks celebration.

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CITY MANAGER REPORT

Independence Day Celebration, July 3rd: All information regarding the event including purchasing tickets, volunteering, and sponsoring is on the City's website – www.scottsvally.gov.

Siltanen Community Pool: The City has been working with a contractor to resurface the pool and it has been determined that more work is needed which will prevent the pool from opening this summer.

Junior Police Academy: This great opportunity for kids has returned, and the first session will start on June 17th.

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

No one came forward.

ALTERATIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

***Staff recommended approval of the Consent Agenda with the following alteration:
Item H – K&D Landscaping Agreement – approve agreement subject to a meet and confer with SEIU representatives scheduled on June 9, 2022***

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve City Council minutes of 05-18-2022
- B. Approve check register dated 05-20-2022
- C. Approve Resolution No. 2007.9 authorizing the continued use of teleconferenced meetings pursuant to Assembly Bill 361
- D. Approve Resolution No.1851.9 temporarily closing a portion of Scotts Valley Drive for the City's Independence Day Parade to be held on July 3, 2022
- E. Approve fourth amendment to the Library Financing Authority (LFA) joint powers agreement
- F. Approve Waste Disposal Agreement with Monterey Regional Waste Management District
- G. Approve on-call professional service agreements
- H. Approve landscape service agreement with K&D Landscaping, Inc.
- I. Update salary schedules for the Senior Planner, Senior Civil Engineer, and Associate Civil Engineer

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Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended by staff:

M/S: Dilles/Timm

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

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Presentation of Scotts Valley Police Department's annual report

Chief Walpole presented the annual report of the Scotts Valley Police Department and responded to questions from Council.

2. Public meeting for Skypark Open Space Maintenance Assessment District No.1

Vice Mayor Reed recused himself from this matter as he is a resident of the Skypark Subdivision. Public Works Director Lamm presented the details of the Skypark Open Space Maintenance Assessment District No. 1 and responded to questions from the Council and the Skypark residents. The following residents had questions and comments: Sheryl McEwan, Gillian McGlaze, Matthew Hakimi, and Larry Ray.

3. Public meeting for Pinewood Estates Landscape Maintenance Assessment District

Public Works Director Lamm presented the details of the Pinewood Estates Landscape Maintenance Assessment District and responded to questions from Council.

4. Review of fiscal year 2022-23 proposed budget and long-range financial forecasts

Administrative Services Director Estorga presented the proposed budget and responded to questions from Council, and he responded to a question from Elisabeth Anderson, a Scotts Valley resident.

5. Consideration and adoption of Flag Policy

City Manager LaGoe presented two proposed flag policies. Policy option 1 would only allow government flags. Policy option 2 would allow commemorative flags. In addition, City Manager LaGoe explained that Council Member Timm has requested that the Pride flag be flown for the month of June if Policy 2 is adopted. The Council Members discussed both policies and the following members of the public offered comment in support of policy option 2: Donna Meyers, Monica Martinez, Sarah Hannaleck, Jodie Fillhardt, Robert Aldana, Jimmy Dutra, Elisabeth Anderson, Q Licht, Adina Licht, Tricia Montalvo Timm, and Sarina King.

CM Timm made a motion to approve Policy 2 and agree to fly the Pride Flag for the month of June. CM Dilles seconded the motion.

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CM Reed presented an alternate motion as follows:

Alternate Motion (substitute to Motion A): to direct the City Attorney to research codifying the Pride flag as a City flag and immediately fly the Pride flag but not adopt either policy presented by staff.

M/S: Reed/Johnson

Failed (NOES: Dilles, Timm, Lind; AYES: Reed, Johnson)

Original Motion A: to adopt Resolution No. 2014 adopting the City of Scotts Valley's policy on flags – policy number 2, which includes commemorative flags

M/S: Timm/Dilles

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

Motion to fly the Pride Flag from now through the end of June 2022

M/S: Timm/Dilles

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

6. Future Council agenda items
None

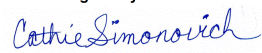
CA Powell announced the City Council will be meeting in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 to confer with legal counsel regarding real property negotiations, 251 Kings Village Road, Scotts Valley, CA 95066 (Scotts Valley Community Theater Guild). Staff present will be the City Manager and the City Attorney.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 PM

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Approved: _____
Donna Lind, Mayor

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Attest: _____
Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk

Support for the Consideration and adoption of Flag Policy - June 1, 2022 Agenda Item

Auddrena Mauga <[REDACTED]>

Wed 6/1/2022 5:25 PM

To: SVCH-cityhall <cityhall@scottsvally.gov>

Cc: Auddrena Mauga <[REDACTED]>

[EXTERNAL EMAIL] DO NOT CLICK links or attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Scotts Valley City Council Members,

I am sending this email in support of the consideration and adoption of a Flag Policy. Specifically, as it relates to the request by CM Timm regarding flying the Pride flag during the month of June.

When I think about flags, my eyes start to water by what the flag of the USA means to me. To me the flag of the USA represents a few core values. These core values are pride, sacrifice, opportunity, hope, strength, and freedom. These values bring about so many powerful feelings for me and I realize that not everyone will feel the same way. I also realize that our country is often divided by religious and political views that seem to dehumanize certain groups. Many times, I battle feelings of sorrow toward the USA because I have so much love for a country that does not always love me back, simply because of who I love.

I am a good person, I have an amazing partner (22 years together), and we both have had to work so hard to be where we are at in our lives. I work at Google and my partner is one of the owners of Kianti's. We have two amazing boys (11 and 15), and we strive to raise good and decent human beings. Our boys are part of the Baymonte Christian School Community, and my partner and I are the first same-sex couple in the school's rich history to enroll their children at Baymonte. Baymonte has welcomed our family with open arms and has stayed true to providing a loving and supportive environment. We are so thankful for this. This does not mean that all the faculty and administration at Baymonte are LGBTQ+ supporters, but what this does show me is that they are willing to put certain beliefs aside to see us as human beings vs. a label.

By flying a Pride flag during the month of June (one month out of the year) it means that you also see me and so many others as human beings. It means for a moment in time, you understand that I am worthy of being seen, just like you.

So many people have taken their lives or have had their lives taken because of who they love and because they are not seen as human beings. Please think about this as you consider the request regarding flying the Pride flag during the month of June.

Thank you for consideration.

Sincerely,
Auddrena Mauga

Pride Month

Lorraine Flores [REDACTED]

Wed 6/1/2022 6:19 AM

To: SVCH-cityhall <cityhall@scottsvally.gov>

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To the Honorable Members of the Scotts Valley City Council

From the Board of Directors of The Diversity Center of Santa Cruz

Every year, June marks an important opportunity to honor the resilience of the many intersections of our LGBTQ+ community. Through Pride, we celebrate our right to love who we love and be who we are as our true, authentic selves.

By flying the Pride flag at Scotts Valley City Hall, you will send a clear message that Scotts Valley is welcoming and inclusive to all, regardless of how we identify. By flying the Pride flag, you will join every other city in the county in sending this message of welcome and inclusivity.

This year has been extremely tough on members of the LGBTQ+ community. According to the Kaiser Foundation, the pandemic has and continues to disproportionately impact LGBTQ+ people on all levels. In addition, there is a concerted attack on the rights of the LGBTQ+ community in cities and states across the nation. Our LGBTQ+ community members follow these stories in the news and the negative impact and fear they instill is real. The impact on our youth is especially troubling. According to multiple sources including The Trevor Project and federal government health research, LGBTQ+ youth are at risk of self-harm, suicidal ideation and suicide far greater than their non-LGBTQ+ peers. With the increase in anti-LGBTQ+ legislation and rhetoric, it is

vital now, more than ever, to demonstrate that the City of Scotts Valley supports its LGBTQ+ community members. A simple, visible step to do so would be to fly the Pride flag in the month of June.

Thank you for your consideration.

The Board of Directors of The Diversity Center of Santa Cruz County

Pride Month

Lorraine Flores [REDACTED]

Tue 5/31/2022 7:43 PM

To: SVCH-cityhall <cityhall@scottsvally.gov>

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To: Scottsvally City Council

From: The LGBTQ+ Diversity Center of Santa Cruz

Every year, June marks an important opportunity to honor the resilience of the many intersections of our LGBTQ+ community. Through Pride, we celebrate our right to love who we love and be who we are as our true, authentic selves.

By flying the Pride flag, we send a clear message that Scottsvally is welcoming and inclusive to all, regardless of how you identify or who you love.

This year has been extremely tough on members of the LGBTQ+ community. According to the Kaiser Foundation, the pandemic has, and continues to, disproportionately affect LGBTQ+ people on all levels. The "Don't Say Gay" bill, the ban on transgender women and girls participating in sports in Iowa, as well as other discriminatory legal actions, are being put into place across the nation. Our LGBTQ+ community hear and know about these threatening messages, which has such an adverse affect. According to multiple sources including The Trevor Project and federal government health research, LGBTQ+ youth have an increased link to self-harm, suicidal ideation and suicide. With the increase in anti-LGBTQ+ legislation and rhetoric, it is vital now, more than ever, to show Scottsvally LGBTQ+ community that they are supported. A simple, visible step to do so would be to fly the Pride flag in the month of June.

We hope that you will listen to and consider our request.

The LGBTQ+ Diversity Center of Santa Cruz County

Public comment for June 1 meeting

Sharon Willey [REDACTED]

Tue 5/31/2022 5:13 PM

To: SVCH-cityhall <cityhall@scottsvalley.gov>

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Hello,

I am respectfully sharing this written public comment as I am unable to attend the June 1st meeting. Thank you. Sincerely, Sharon

Dear Scotts Valley Leaders,

As a Scotts Valley resident, I am writing to urge you to approve flying the Pride flag during the month of June to publicly demonstrate our community's commitment to inclusion. Representation is important and communicates value, support and humanity. At the June 15, 2021 SVUSD meeting, results of a survey highlighted that 22% of students surveyed felt they had experienced discrimination in school. For our high school students, "sexual preference" was cited as the #1 response. Please send a message to our children that we will not only protect them from discrimination but our community and elected leaders will respect and celebrate who they are. The Trevor Project website cited that LGBTQ youth are four times more likely to attempt suicide, not because of their sexual orientation "but rather placed at higher risk because of how they are mistreated and stigmatized in society." As the only city in Santa Cruz County to not fly the Pride flag in the past, the message sent was one of exclusion. I hope you will build on the wonderful work of the recent Multicultural Fair, celebrate diversity and raise the Pride flag proudly during the month of June. In this time of growing division and isolation, your courageous action will signify love, support and hope for Scotts Valley and our collective future. Thank you for your consideration. Respectfully, Sharon Willey

Raise the pride flag

Isabella Morairty [REDACTED]

Tue 5/31/2022 5:42 PM

To: SVCH-cityhall <cityhall@scottsvally.gov>

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As a student, I have no idea why we don't already raise the pride flag. We aren't living in the 1800's anymore. We are the only city in Santa Cruz County to not raise the flag. That is not a good look for our city. And if you are homophobic, grow up and wake up and look around at the world. The world is evolving and we need to as well. Raise the flag and make a change today, and forever.

From, Isabella