

**CAPITOLA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING ACTION MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2015**

**CLOSED SESSION - 6:00 PM
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Norton called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. He announced the item to be discussed in Closed Session, as follows:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Govt. Code §54956.9)

Schroedel et al. v. the City of Capitola
[Santa Cruz Superior Court Case No. CV 175684]

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Govt. Code §54957)

City Council's Performance Evaluation of the City Manager

Mayor Norton noted that there was no one in the audience; therefore, the City Council recessed at 6:02 p.m. to the Closed Session in the City Manager's Office.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CAPITOLA CITY COUNCIL – 7:00 PM

1. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Dennis Norton: Present, Vice Mayor Ed Bottorff: Present, Council Member Jacques Bertrand: Present, Council Member Stephanie Harlan: Present, Council Member Michael Termini: Present.

City Treasurer McBroom was present.

2. PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation was read by Mayor Norton regarding Freedom from Workplace Bullies Week.

- A. Proclamation Designating October 18-24, 2015, as "Freedom from Workplace Bullies Week"

Proclamation received by Cristy Viola, Workplace Bullying Representative.

3. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Condotti stated that the Council discussed one case regarding existing litigation; and the City Manager's performance evaluation; there was no reportable action.

4. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

City Clerk Sneddon stated that 40 communications were received regarding Item 10.A. possible Bike Lanes on Monterey Avenue and Kennedy Drive.

5. ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO AGENDA

None provided.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Helen Bryce, local resident, complimented the Monte Foundation for the upcoming fireworks extravaganza in Capitola.

Lorena Ramos, County of Santa Cruz Health Services Agency Health Educator, provided "No Smoking" signage.

7. CITY COUNCIL / CITY TREASURER / STAFF COMMENTS

Christine McBroom reported that the Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) is reviewing the City's Fee Study; the FAC will present recommendation to the City Council in the near future.

City Manager Goldstein reported from the Santa Cruz County Library Facilities Financing Authority; there have been ongoing discussions regarding a Regional Bond Measure. There will be more telephone polling to solicit community sentiment. The final decision to place a bond measure on the ballot will be made the end of October 2015.

Council Member Termini invited the community to an October 28th Workshop to help design the future Capitola Library. The Community Workshop will be held at 6:30 p.m. and will be held in the Capitola Community Center located at 4400 Jade Street.

Council Member Bottorff stated that the Capitola Public Safety and Community Services Foundation will hold its 10th Annual Golf Tournament on October 9, 2015, at the Seascape Golf Course.

Mayor Norton stated that the City Council will receive a report at the October 22, 2015, City Council meeting regarding the City's preparedness for the predicted El Niño weather pattern that may affect the region this winter.

Council Member Bertrand stated that he attended the National Village-to-Village Convention in Seattle October 5th – October 7th; he will be providing more information to the City Council in the future.

Council Members Bertrand and Harlan provided comments regarding the recently attended League of California Cities Annual Conference.

8. BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES APPOINTMENTS

City Clerk Sneddon reported on future openings on various City Boards and Commissions

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ed Bottorff, Vice Mayor
SECONDED:	Michael Termini, Council Member
AYES:	Norton, Bottorff, Bertrand, Harlan, Termini

- A. Consider the September 10, 2015, and the September 24, 2015, Regular City Council Minutes
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve minutes.
- B. Receive Planning Commission Action Minutes for the Regular Meeting of October 1, 2015
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive minutes.

10. GENERAL GOVERNMENT / PUBLIC HEARINGS

City Attorney Condotti stated Council Member Bertrand is able to participate in Item 10.A. even though he resides within the conflict of interest area because the California Fair Political Practices Commission "Public Generally" exception applies. This exception states that "notwithstanding any determination that the reasonably foreseeable effect of a governmental decision is material, a public official does not have a disqualifying conflict of interest in the governmental decision if the governmental decision affects the public interest in a manner which is not distinguishable from the manner in which the decision will affect the public generally...."

- A. Receive a Report Regarding Possible Bike Lanes on Monterey Avenue and Kennedy Drive [940-18]
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive report and provide direction.

Council Member Termini suggested keeping both sides of the street for parking and moving the parking on one side of the street out from the curb, and putting a two-way bike lane between the parked cars and the curb.

The following spoke in favor of bike lanes on Monterey Avenue and Kennedy Drive:

- Debbie Hale, Transportation Planner
- Amelia Conlen, Bike Santa Cruz County Director
- Chuck Cannon, Ecology Action Representative
- Christy McCain, New Brighton Middle School Bike-to-School Coordinator
- Steve Piercy, New Brighton School Bike Club Volunteer Coordinator

The following spoke opposed to bike lanes on Monterey Avenue and Kennedy Drive:

- Casey Buckner
- Laurie Salatich, Capitola Knolls Homeowners Association President
- Dan Steingrube
- Adam Bright
- Janet Vogel

Grace Voz, local resident, read a portion of the CalTrans Highway Design Guidelines in reference to bicycle lanes should not be placed between parking areas and the curb.

Casey Buckner, local resident, stated that the City should follow the CalTrans Highway Design Guidelines regarding bicycle lanes.

Mary Jones, local resident, stated concerns regarding the potential impact to the neighborhoods if parking is reduced. She stated that single residences are becoming multi-residential units which results in more parked cars.

Elizabeth Russell, local resident, suggested that the City put a bicycle path on Park Avenue.

Kevin McGuire, local resident, stated concerns regarding the potential impact to the neighborhoods if parking is reduced and concerns regarding residents having to cross two lanes of traffic.

Richard Lippi, local resident, stated that he is in favor of bicycle lanes wherever feasible; however he does not see how the complete elimination of parking along the south sides of Monterey Avenue and Kennedy Drive can be accomplished without creating unintended consequences for the residents and visitors to the area.

Steve Parrish, local resident, stated concerns with garbage cans along the road during the pick-up time. In addition, he stated that RV's take up parking spaces in the summer when parked on the north side in front of the Capitola Knolls.

Nels Westman, local resident, stated concerns regarding the possibility of losing 99 parking spaces in a residential neighborhood. He expressed concerns regarding the absence of sidewalks on Kennedy Drive and McGregor Drive approaching the Park Avenue Intersection near McGregor Park.

Cathy Howard, local resident, stated concerns regarding the potential impact to the neighborhoods if parking is reduced, and concerns regarding residents crossing two lanes of traffic.

Helen Bryce, local resident, suggested pedestrian and bicycle path improvements to McGregor Park.

Janet Vogel, local resident, suggested Park Avenue be looked at as a potential location for designated bicycle lanes. She suggested working with middle school students to obtain their input. In addition, she suggested forming a community group to research this idea, and consider the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail (Rail Trail) segment in the City to connect routes to schools.

Council Member Bertrand suggested that a community meeting be scheduled at New Brighton Middle School Gymnasium to discuss this matter.

City Council provided direction to Public Works Director Jesberg to come up with some plans and have a public meeting.

- B. Consider Recommended Changes to the Beach and Village Parking Lot [470-40]
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the recommended changes to the Beach and Village Parking lots and direct Public Works to implement the changes over the winter.

Richard Lippi stated police vehicle spaces should be marked "Police" so police officers have the advantage of parking near the front of Lower Pacific Cove Parking Lot.

Nels Westman, Capitola Parking and Traffic Commission Chair, stated that the Commission supports staff's recommendation regarding the proposed changes to the Beach and Village Parking Lot.

Mayor Norton suggested that the City should designate spaces in the City's parking lot in front of City Hall for City use only from 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Public Works Director Jesberg suggested putting a time limit of one-hour parking on the public spaces in front of City Hall instead of the current two hour parking limit.

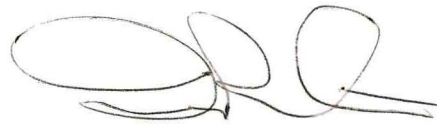
RESULT: ADOPTED AND FOR STAFF TO EVALUATE THE CHANGES TO THE BEACH AND VILLAGE PARKING LOT AND REPORT BACK TO COUNCIL THE END OF THE SUMMER IN 2016 [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jacques Bertrand, Council Member
SECONDED: Michael Termini, Council Member
AYES: Norton, Bottorff, Bertrand, Harlan, Termini

- C. Consider approving the Regional Winter Shelter Program Funding Shortfall [330-10/750-20]
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Increase funding for the Multi Jurisdictional Emergency Winter Shelter Program from \$14,703 to \$20,473 for Fiscal Year 2015/2016.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Stephanie Harlan, Council Member
SECONDED: Michael Termini, Council Member
AYES: Norton, Bottorff, Bertrand, Harlan, Termini

11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.



Dennis Norton, Mayor

ATTEST:



Liz Nichols, Deputy City Clerk

MINUTES WERE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED ON OCTOBER 22, 2015