# SPECIAL JOINT MEETING CAPITOLA CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY JOINT BUDGET STUDY SESSION MINUTES

# **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2015 - 6:00 PM**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Norton called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

## 1. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Members Stephanie Harlan, Ed Bottorff, Jacques Bertrand, Michael Termini and Mayor/Chair Dennis Norton

City Treasurer McBroom was absent

#### 2. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

The following additional material was received regarding Item 5.A.:

- Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Council Follow Up Slides provided by staff;
- Letter of recommendation from the City's Finance Advisory Committee:
- Two letters from the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission Bicycle Advisory Committee regarding bicycling in Capitola;
- Email from Marie Martorella regarding Monterey Park.

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Daniel Kostelec, Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC) Bicycle Advisory Committee Alternate Representative, provided comments regarding the City's proposal Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Bicycle Facilities Projects.

Steve Piercy, New Brighton School Bike Club Volunteer Coordinator, commented on the City receiving a possible grant for Safe Routes to School.

Amelia Conlen, Bike Santa Cruz County Director, stated that she supports the inclusion of the Bicycle Facilities Projects listed in the Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Budget. She urged the Council to consider installing new bicycle lanes on Monterey Avenue and Kennedy Drive.

#### 4. CITY COUNCIL / CITY TREASURER / STAFF COMMENTS

Council Member Termini stated that the Capitola Rod and Custom Classic Car Show will be held on June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Norton stated that the Draft Santa Cruz County Passenger Rail Feasibility Study is available at City Hall, as well as on-line; he will be suggesting that the SCCRTC extend the public comment period.

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## 5. GENERAL GOVERNMENT / PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Receive a presentation from the Finance Advisory Committee regarding the proposed 2015/2016 Fiscal Year Budget for the City of Capitola General Fund; and continued Budget Study Session on the proposed 2015/2016 Fiscal Year Budget. [330-05/780-30]

Nathan Cross, Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) member, presented the FAC's recommendations regarding the usage of the 2014/2015 General Fund ending balance.

Finance Director Welch provided a list of projects that were identified by Council at the May 20, 2015, Joint Budget Study Session. The majority of the items on the list are Capital Improvement Projects that will be discussed by Public Works Director Jesberg. He stated that a benchmark study, dated September 2012, indicated that the City's General Fund Reserve to Operating Cost ratio lower than any of the benchmark cities. This study has been updated and indicates that the City's unrestricted reserve levels place the City above two of the benchmark cities.

Public Works Director reviewed the following future Capital Improvement Projects to be considered:

- Zone 5 Flood Control District budget and projects
- Additional Sanctuary Trails Markers
- ADA items in the budget
- Road markers on Bowers and 41st Ave
- Esplanade Sidewalk Cleaning
- Monterey Park Bathroom
- Wharf Bathroom
- Village Drainage Study
- Village garbage

City Manager Goldstein stated that Police Department is conducting a complete review of City's Emergency Preparedness Plan and will be conducting a table top exercise by the end of 2015.

Council Member Bottorff suggested an Esplanade Sidewalk Cleaning Pilot Program. In addition, he requested that the flooding issue in front of Vice Salon on Capitola Avenue be remedied; and for staff to agendize a discussion regarding a Depot Hill stop sign. He stated concerns regarding the need for a crosswalk at Riverview Drive and Capitola Road.

Council Member Termini stated that the City should provide the Esplanade sidewalk cleaning. He provided comments regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Bicycle Facilities Projects; especially the Brommer Street to 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue road resurfacing. He suggested that a bathroom at Monterey Park be addressed in a future year. He supports additional Sanctuary Trail markers.

Council Member Harlan requested that the Planning Commission review the City's future capital improvement projects. In addition, she suggested holding off on a bathroom at Monterey Park and suggested putting a portable bathroom at the park for this summer.

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Council Member Bertrand requested that staff look into obtaining a key to the New Brighton Middle School restrooms for organized events.

Mayor Norton stated that he supports the proposed Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Bicycle Facilities Projects; especially the Brommer Street to 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue road resurfacing. He stated that the Esplanade sidewalk cleaning should be paid for by the restaurants in the Village, and suggested requiring an assessment to offset the costs. He suggested that a bathroom at Monterey Park be addressed in a future year.

There was City Council consensus to accept the FAC's recommendations and directed staff to prepare the Budget Resolution to approve the proposed 2015/2016 Fiscal Year Budget.

### 6. ADJOURNMENT

8:10 PM

Dennis Norton, Mayor

Susan Sneddon, City Clerk

MINUTES WERE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED ON JUNE 25, 2015