

**CAPITOLA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING ACTION MINUTES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2014**

**CLOSED SESSION – 6:30 PM
CITY MANAGER’S OFFICE**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Storey 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)

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

Mayor Storey noted that there was no one in the audience; therefore, the City Council recessed at 6:35 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

Council Members Stephanie Harlan, Dennis Norton, Ed Bottorff, Michael Termini, and Mayor Sam Storey.

City Treasurer Christine McBroom was present.

2. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Introduction of MariaElena De La Garza, the new Community Action Board of Santa Cruz County Executive Director. [150-40]

Cynthia Finley, City’s representative to the Community Action Board of Santa Cruz County (CAB), introduced MariaElena De La Garza.

MariaElena De La Garza, CAB Executive Director, presented highlights of CAB programs.

- B. Capitola Local Government Academy Graduation.

Mayor Storey presented certificates of completion to the following Capitola Local Government Academy graduates:

- TJ Welch
- Nathan Cross
- Tori DelFavero
- David Kraemer
- Barry Kane

The following graduates were not present, therefore will receive their certificates of completion at the February 13, 2014, City Council Meeting: (1) Jeanette Cisneros; (2) Laurie Hill; and (3) Loretta Ferris.

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3. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION [520-25]

City Attorney Barisone stated that City Council received a status report regarding the following existing litigation: Schroedel et al. v. the City of Capitola; there was no reportable action.

4. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Mayor Storey reported on additional material received.

5. ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Mayor Storey requested that Item #10.D. be discussed following Item #10.B.

ACTION Motion made by Council Member Termini, seconded by Mayor Storey, to approve moving Item #10.D. following Item #10.B. The motion was passed unanimously.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Raymon Cancino, Community Bridges CEO, thanked the City Council for supporting Community Bridges.

Myles Corcoran, Conflict Resolution Center of Santa Cruz County Board Directors (Board) President, thanked the City Council for the City's continued support.

Jim Howes, Assistant Board Director, shared some cases that the Conflict Resolution Center of Santa Cruz County Board Directors has dealt with.

Maggie Ivy, Santa Cruz County Conference and Visitor's Council (Visitor's Council) CEO, presented the new project calendar for the Visitor's Council.

7. CITY COUNCIL / CITY TREASURER / STAFF COMMENTS

Council Member Harlan requested that Public Works staff have the town looking "sharp" for the upcoming spring break.

8. BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES APPOINTMENTS

- A. City Council appointments to the Oversight Board for the Capitola Successor Agency. [110-10/780-50]

ACTION Mayor Storey appointed Council Member Termini to continue serving as the City's Representative on the Oversight Board to the City's Successor Agency; and Senior Planner Catton to serve on the Board as a member representing the employees of the former Redevelopment Agency. There was City Council concurrence.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Consider approving the City Council Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on January 9, 2014.
- B. Receive Planning Commission Action Minutes for the Regular Meeting of January 16, 2014. [740-50]
- C. Adopt Ordinance No. 990 amending Chapter 2.08 of the Capitola Municipal Code regarding the City Manager; and Ordinance No. 991 amending Chapter 2.16 of the Capitola Municipal Code regarding the Planning Department [2nd Reading]. [570-10]
- D. Receive the California Public Employees Retirement System Annual Actuarial Valuation Reports as of June 30, 2012. [630-10]
- E. Receive the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013. [310-20]

ACTION Motion made by Council Member Norton seconded by Council Member Harlan, to approve the following Consent Calendar items: 9.A.; 9.B.; 9.C.; 9.D.; and 9.E. The motion was passed unanimously.

10. GENERAL GOVERNMENT / PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Consider a closure date and a contract with Open Streets of Santa Cruz County for the Esplanade closure to vehicle traffic. [490-75/500-10 A/C: Open Streets of Santa Cruz County]

Saskia Lucas, Open Streets of Santa Cruz County Founder/Director, presented the concept of the proposed Capitola Open Streets event.

ACTION Motion made by Council Member Termini, seconded by Council Member Norton, to approve the Esplanade closure to be held on May 4, 2014, and approve a contract with Open Streets of Santa Cruz County for the Esplanade closure event; and allow free parking in the upper and lower Pacific Cove Parking lots on the day of the event. The motion was passed unanimously.

B. Review of the single use plastic and carryout bag fee. [930-30]

Laura Kasa, Save our Shores, spoke on the success of eliminating the use of single-use plastic bags, and requiring retail merchants to charge a fee for paper bags. She stated that Save our Shores conducted a survey and found that 89% of shoppers surveyed are using reusable bags. She encouraged the City Council to consider revisiting Ordinance No. 977 (Chapter 8.07 of the Capitola Municipal Code) to incorporate a customer charge for thicker plastic bags which some retailers are currently providing to customers free of charge.

Carin Hanna, local business owner, stated that many Village businesses donate the \$0.25 bag fee to Save Our Shores.

There was City Council concurrence for staff to investigate retailers using 4.0 mil plastic bags, to ascertain what the City of Watsonville decides about retailers distributing 4.0 mil plastic bags, and report back to the Council.

ACTION Motion made by Council Member Norton, seconded by Council Member Harlan, to approve continuing the fee for paper bags at \$0.25 per paper bag distributed at the point of sale as required in Section 8.07.030(D) of the Capitola Municipal Code. The motion was passed unanimously.

C. Consider amendments to Chapter 10.36.055 of the Capitola Municipal Code amending parking meter Zone B [1st Reading]. [470-30]

ACTION Motion made by Council Member Norton, seconded by Council Member Bottorff, to approve the first reading of the Ordinance amending Chapter 10.36.055 of the Capitola Municipal Code amending parking meter Zone B. The motion was passed unanimously.

D. Consider new applications for the Community Based Health and Human Services Program for Fiscal Year 2014/2015. [330-30]

ACTION Motion made by Council Member Termini, seconded by Council Member Norton, to allow new agencies or organizations to apply for the existing Community Based Health and Human Services Providers Program for Fiscal Year 2014-2015; and to designate Council Member Termini and Mayor Storey to an ad hoc committee to review the process and the applications received. The motion was passed unanimously.

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Council Member Harlan stated that, due to a conflict of interest, she will recuse herself from participating on Item 10.E. regarding the Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Clares Street Traffic Calming Project because she resides within 500 feet of the subject property. She left the dias.

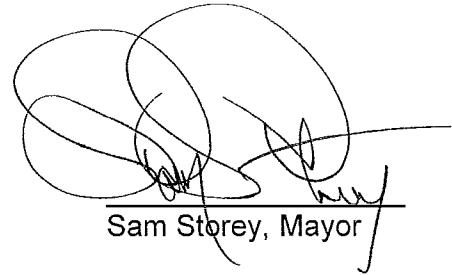
- E. Consider authorizing an amended engineering contract with Harris & Associates in the amount not to exceed \$78,000 for the Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Clares Street Traffic Calming Project. [940-40/500-10 A/C: Harris & Associates]

ACTION Motion made by Council Member Termini, seconded by Council Member Bottorff, to authorize amending the engineering contract with Harris & Associates in the amount not to exceed \$78,000 for the Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Clares Street Traffic Calming Project. The motion carried with the following vote: AYES: Council Members Norton, Bottorff, Termini, and Mayor Storey. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: Council Member Harlan.

Council Member Harlan returned to the dias.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Storey adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the City Council on Thursday, February 13, 2013, at 7:00 PM, in the City Hall Council Chambers, 420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola, California.



Sam Storey, Mayor

ATTEST:



Susan Sneddon, City Clerk

MINUTES WERE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED ON FEBRUARY 13, 2014