

City of Capitola

City Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 23, 2022 – 6:00 PM



City Council Chambers
420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola, CA 95010

Mayor: Sam Storey
Vice Mayor: Margaux Keiser
Council Members: Jacques Bertrand, Yvette Brooks, Kristen Brown

Regular Meeting of the Capitola City Council – 6 PM

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

Council Members Jacques Bertrand, Yvette Brooks, Kristen Brown, Margaux Keiser, and Mayor Sam Storey.

2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

3. Presentations

A. Proclaim July 2022 Parks and Recreation Month

Mayor Storey proclaimed July 2022 Parks and Recreation Make Life Better Month.

4. Additional Materials

yes - 1 additional material regarding Item 8.C

5. Oral Communications by Members of the Public

Phil Stotts spoke about a negative parking situation occurring on Diamond Street.

Rory Walsh said they miss the decorations along the City median.

6. Staff / City Council Comments

Mayor Storey announced that the first twilight concert on June 15 was well attended and asked about options for additional bike parking in the Village to accommodate event attendees.

7. Consent Items

Motion: Approve, Adopt, Confirm, and Determine as recommended

Result: Passed, 5:0 (Unanimous)

Mover: Council Member Brown

Second: Council Member Bertrand

Yea: Mayor Storey, Vice Mayor Keiser, Council Member Bertrand, Council Member Brooks, Council Member Brown, Mayor Storey

A. Consider the minutes from the June 9, 2022, regular City Council meeting

Recommended Action: Approve minutes.

B. Capitola Historical Museum Annual Report

Recommended Action: Receive report.

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- C. Resolution Approving the 2022-23 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account Expenditures
Recommended Action: Approve a resolution adopting a list of road maintenance and rehabilitation projects for fiscal year 2022/23 funded by Senate Bill 1: the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017.
- D. Consider a Resolution Calling the Election for November 8, 2022
Recommended Action: Adopt a resolution ordering an election, requesting Santa Cruz County Elections to conduct the election, and requesting consolidation of the statewide general election in the City of Capitola on Tuesday, November 8, 2022.
- E. Receive Update on Pandemic Response and Consider Adopting Proposed Resolution Allowing for the Continuation of Teleconferencing
Recommended Action: 1) Make the determination that all hazards related to the worldwide spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) as detailed in Resolution No. 4168 adopted by the City Council on March 12, 2020, still exist and there is a need to continue action; and 2) Adopt the proposed resolution authorizing the City Council (along with the Planning Commission and all advisory bodies) to continue to conduct teleconferencing meetings.

8. General Government / Public Hearings

Motion: Defer hearing Item 8.A until later this evening when a BIA representative is present

Result: Passed, 5:0 (Unanimous)

Mover: Council Member Petersen

Second: Council Member Bertrand

Yea: Mayor Storey, Vice Mayor Keiser, Council Member Bertrand, Council Member Brooks, Council Member Brown

- A. Consider a resolution for the Levy of Capitola Village and Wharf Business Improvement Area Assessments for Fiscal Year 2022-23
Recommended Action: Conduct the noticed public hearing and adopt the proposed resolution levying the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Capitola Village and Wharf Business Improvement Area (CVWBIA) Assessments and accepting the CVWBIA Annual Plan and budget.

Mayor Storey recused himself.

Council Member Bertrand thanked the BIA and the City Public Works Department for their collaboration. Devon, BIA Treasurer, commented that additional sidewalk cleaning would be beneficial.

Council Member Brooks encouraged the BIA to continue working with the Youth Action Network.

Motion: Adopt the resolution

Result: Passed, 5:0 (Unanimous)

Mover: Council Member Brooks

Second: Council Member Bertrand

Yea: Vice Mayor Keiser, Council Member Bertrand, Council Member Brooks, Council Member Brown

Recused: Mayor Storey

- B. Coastal Commission Recommended Modifications to Capitola's Outdoor Dining Ordinance
Recommended Action: Adopt a resolution accepting the California Coastal Commission modifications to repeal and replace Capitola Municipal code section 17.96.170 Outdoor Dining in Public Right of Way and amend Municipal Code Sections 17.44.150(B)(3) and 17.120.030.

Vice Mayor Keiser recused herself due to a conflict.

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Director Herlihy presented a staff report.

Council Member Brown asked about furniture requirements and other prototype designs. Director Herlihy explained that the prototype design will be reviewed by Planning Commission in July.

Council Member Bertrand confirmed that restaurants would be able to use already purchased furniture.

Mayor Storey asked about bicycle parking. Director Herlihy said staff is working to mitigate the impact of removing public parking from the streets; she also reminded Council that changing the ordinance would not be feasible however changing the administrative policy is.

There was no public comment.

Motion: Adopt the resolution

Result: Passed, 5:0 (Unanimous)

Mover: Council Member Brown

Second: Council Member Bertrand

Yea: Mayor Storey, Council Member Bertrand, Council Member Brooks, Council Member Brown

Recused: Vice Mayor Keiser

C. Potential Second Home Tax Follow Up

Recommended Action: Provide direction to staff to either 1) Continue preparing the materials necessary to place a second home tax on the November 2022 ballot; OR 2) Do not proceed with placing a second home tax on the November 2022 ballot.

City Manager Goldstein presented a staff report.

Council Member Bertrand encouraged more community outreach and the importance of determining of use of such a tax.

In public comment, Jondi Gumz, said she had spoken to a resident who had not heard about the potential tax.

Vice Mayor Keiser said that more time was needed for public outreach and education; she argued that staff and council should consider a goal of including such a tax on the November 2024 election ballot.

Council Member Brown agreed.

Motion: Do not do further work to place a second-home tax on the November 2022 ballot

Result: Passed, 5:0 (Unanimous)

Mover: Council Member Brown

Second: Council Member Bertrand

Yea: Mayor Storey, Vice Mayor Keiser Council Member Bertrand, Council Member Brooks, Council Member Brown

D. Consider the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget and Capital Improvement Program for the City of Capitola

Recommended Action: Approve the proposed resolution adopting the Fiscal Year 2022-23 City Budget and Capital Improvement Program.

Director Malberg presented a staff report and highlighted updates to the proposed budget since the last special budget meeting.

There was no public comment.

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Motion: Adopt the resolution

Result: Passed, 5:0 (Unanimous)

Mover: Council Member Brown

Second: Vice Mayor Keiser

Yea: Mayor Storey, Vice Mayor Keiser, Council Member Bertrand, Council Member Brooks, Council Member Brown

E. FY 22-23 Fee Schedule

Recommended Action: Conduct the noticed public hearing on the proposed City Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2022/2023 and adopt the proposed resolution amending the current fee schedule.

Director Malberg presented the staff report. Council Member Brooks asked for clarification on the fee increase. There was no public comment.

Motion: Adopt the resolution

Result: Passed, 5:0 (Unanimous)

Mover: Council Member Brooks

Second: Vice Mayor Keiser

Yea: Mayor Storey, Vice Mayor Keiser, Council Member Bertrand, Council Member Brooks, Council Member Brown

F. Consider the 2022 – 2023 Salary Schedule

Recommended Action: Approve the proposed resolution authorizing the Fiscal Year 2022- 2023 annual salary adjustment, consistent with existing employee labor agreements.

Assistant to the City Manager Laurent presented a staff report. The Mayor read a statement regarding the salary schedule. There was no public comment.

Motion: Adopt the resolution

Result: Passed, 5:0 (Unanimous)


Mover: Vice Mayor Keiser

Second: Council Member Brown

Yea: Mayor Storey, Vice Mayor Keiser, Council Member Bertrand, Council Member Brooks, Council Member Brown


9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:42PM until the next regular city council meeting on July 28, 2022.

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ATTEST:

Sam Storey, Mayor

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Chloé Woodmansee, City Clerk

APPROVED JULY 28, 2022