City of Capitola
Special City Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 04, 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

Special 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 – none

3. Additional Materials – none

4. Oral Communications by Members of the Public – none

5. Staff / City Council Comments – none

6. General Government / Public Hearings
   A. Presentation of the Proposed Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget for the City of Capitola and the Capitola Successor Agency
      - Recommended Action: Acting as the City Council and Successor Agency, receive the proposed budget, provide staff direction, and continue budget deliberations to the next joint budget hearing scheduled on May 19, 2022.

      City Manager Goldstein introduced the budget hearing schedule and the draft budget. Finance Director Malberg presented the proposed budget.

      During the question period, Council members asked:

      Council Member Brooks clarified that staff projects a $1 million loss over two to three years when/if the mall revitalization project begins. Staff replied that the PERS trust could be used to address this revenue loss, with Council approval when necessary. She confirmed that implicit bias training is included in the proposed training budget and asked about the procedure to consider increasing Council compensation.

      Mayor Storey asked that $1,500 be included for Art and Cultural sponsorship of a commemorative Begonia Festival Event.

      Council Member Brooks asked that $350,000 be moved from updating the library TOT lot to instead assisting with an update at the Jade Street Park play area; and that Council training/travel budget is restored to the typical amount.
Council Member Bertrand asked about the proposed Development Services Technician position in the Public Works Department. Director Jesberg explained some staffing changes.

Recreation Division Manager Bryant-LeBlond replied to a question from Council Member Brooks that Recreation Program scholarships are no longer relying on restricted money from outside organizations.

Council Member Brown confirmed that Capitol Improvement Projects will be presented at the next budget meeting on May 19.

Council identified the following topics to be brought back during the May 19 special budget meeting:

- Overview of MBASIA budget – Council Member Bertrand
- Report on how the BIA and the Chamber use the funds received from the City – Mayor Storey
- Preliminary assessment on an inclusive play structure at Jade Street Park, in response to a request to add $150,000 to this project – Mayor Storey/Council Member Brooks
- Report on Recreation programming at the Capitola Branch library – Council Member Bertrand

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm to the next regular meeting of the Capitola City Council on May 12, 2022.

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Sam Storey, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Chloé Woodmansee, City Clerk

APPROVED MAY 19, 2022