

Minutes of the Town Council Meeting Tuesday, October 1, 2024

The Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos conducted a regular meeting in-person and utilizing teleconferencing means on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Mary Badame, Vice Mayor Matthew Hudes, Council Member Rob Moore,

Council Member Rob Rennie, Council Member Maria Ristow.

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Hudes led the Pledge of Allegiance. The audience was invited to participate.

CONSENT ITEMS (TO BE ACTED UPON BY A SINGLE MOTION)

- 1. Approve Minutes of the September 17, 2024 Closed Session Town Council Meeting.
- 2. Approve Minutes of the September 17, 2024 Town Council Meeting.
- 3. Shannon Road Pedestrian and Bikeway Improvement Project (CIP No. 813-0218):
 - Authorize the Town Manager to Execute the Fifth Amendment to the Consulting Services Agreement with ActiveWayz Engineering for Additional Engineering Services in the Amount of \$15,772, Resulting in a Total Agreement Amount Not to Exceed \$292,705; and
 - b. Extend the Term to December 31, 2025.
- 4. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute an Agreement for Consultant Services with VisionScape Imagery, Inc. to Provide Video Rendering Services to the Town.
- 5. Authorize Staff to Hire the Senior Services Coordinator as a Contractor or as a Town Employee.

Mayor Badame opened public comment.

Lee Fagot

Commented concerns regarding item number three.

Mayor Badame closed public comment.

MOTION: Motion by Vice Mayor Hudes to approve the consent items. Seconded by Council Member Moore.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

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Lee Fagot

- Commented on the proposed location of the bike and pedestrian path from Highway 9 to Los Gatos High School through the Summerhill development.

Gus Who

 Read a passage from a book, provided information on the 2026 World Cup, and commented on artificial turf.

Lynley

- Commented on concerns with censorship and spoke about first amendment rights.

Fred Faltersack

- Commented on housing requirements imposed by the State and decisions of past Councils.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 6. Consider the Following Actions in Support of Multi-Tenant Civic Center Monument Signage:
 - Authorize Creation of a New Capital Improvement Project for the Monument Signage;
 and
 - b. Authorize an Expenditure Budget Transfer in the Amount of \$50,000 From the Downtown Streetscape Project (CIP No. 813-0235) to the Monument Signage Project.

Nicolle Burnham, Director of Parks and Public Works, presented the staff report.

Mayor Badame opened public comment.

Kim Snyder, Executive Director of New Museum Los Gatos

- Commented in support of a multi-tenant civic center monument sign, discussed concerns with existing sign location, and requested visible signage.

Julie Micallef, President of New Museum Los Gatos

- Commented on potential signage location and requested a sign that is visible from Main Street.

Lee Fagot

 Commented on having wayfinding signage directing visitors to NUMU from different areas around the Town.

Mayor Badame closed public comment.

Council discussed the item.

MOTION: Motion by **Vice Mayor Hudes** to create a new Capital Improvement Project and fund the design and construction of a Monument Sign for the Civic Center Campus in

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alignment with Council's previous direction [which] includes having a sign for NUMU by December 2025. **Seconded** by **Council Member Moore**.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Motion by Vice Mayor Hudes to transfer the appropriate budget amount of \$50,000 [from the Downtown Streetscape Project (CIP No. 813-0235) to the Monument Signage Project]. **Seconded** by **Council Member Moore.**

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

7. Discuss and Provide Direction on a New Town Event for Fall 2025 That Expands Upon the Town's Annual Movie Night (Screen on the Green).

Monica Renn, Economic Vitality Manager, presented the staff report.

Mayor Badame opened public comment.

No one spoke.

Mayor Badame closed public comment.

Council discussed the item and provided direction to staff to return to Council with three location options (Oak Meadow Park, Civic Center, and Town Plaza Park) and the full events budget.

COUNCIL/TOWN MANAGER REPORTS Council Matters

- Council Member Ristow stated she attended the Van Meter Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM) Night event; Screen on the Green; Fiesta de Artes; Los Gatos Music and Arts Gala; a Council Policy Committee meeting; a meet and greet with an author at the Library; the Youth Citizen of the Year Awards Ceremony; and KCAT's Oktoberfest; and met with residents to discuss various topics.
- Council Member Moore stated he attended Screen on the Green, the Valley Health
 Foundation Gala, a AWO's United Against Hate event, the Los Gatos Art and Wine Festival;
 met with residents and developers; and announced his upcoming monthly Council Member
 Coffee; and encouraged all to register to vote.
- Council Member Rennie stated he met with residents regarding annexation; attended the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Oversight Authority (SVCEA) Risk Oversight Committee meeting; met with the NUMU board, Los Gatos Saratoga Recreation director; and volunteered at KCAT's Oktoberfest.
- Vice Mayor Hudes stated he participated in Fiesta de Artes, Oktoberfest, Screen on the Green; met with Los Gatos-Saratoga Union High School District Superintendent to discuss a

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secondary access to the High School; held a community event on managing [traffic] congestion; participated in Los Gatos Thrives Foundation meetings; announced the Los Gatos Thrives Foundation upcoming workshop called Designing the Community Center.

- Mayor Badame stated she participated in Screen on the Green; met with the developers of Los Gatos Meadows, met with the Executive Director of Silicon Valley Animal Control Authority and toured the facility; participated in a meeting of the West Valley Mayors and Mangers meeting; participated in a Ribbon Cutting for Boba Guys; participated in Youth Park Day to honor four Youth Citizens of the Year; and attended KCAT's Oktoberfest.

Town Manager Matters

- Announced the Library is a cooling center from 10 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and additional information is available on the Town website.
- Announced a new "Notify Me" selection is available for anyone interesting in being notified when development applications that are three or more stories in height are submitted. Go to www.LosGatosCA.Gov\NotifyMe to sign up for email notifications.
- Announced a Comprehensive Public Arts Plan Update is underway, and information gathering stations will be at the Los Gatos Library from October 2 through October 13; Arts and Culture Commission will hold a special meeting on October 13 to gather verbal input on this topic.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

ADJOURNMENT

Gabreille Whelan, Town Attorney, stated the Town Council met in closed session to discuss anticipated litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 and Appointee Performance Evaluation Process pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 and there was no reportable action.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m. Respectfully Submitted: /s/ Jenna De Long, Deputy Town Clerk