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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 4:00 PM

94 N. Washington Street, Sonora, CA 95370

(209) 532-4541

MINUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Sonora City Council will have their regular meeting on Monday, February 22, 2022 at 4:00 PM in the City of Sonora Council Chambers located at 94 N. Washington Street Sonora, CA 95370.

NOTICE: THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 52953(E) AND THE CITY OF SONORA CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 01-18-2022-A.

THIS MEETING IS PHYSICALLY OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING AT:

Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87460555933?pwd=UFBFZ0EyR3pjXNXZWtXVIZLQTJoQT09>

Dial: (253)215-8782

Meeting ID: 874 6055 5933

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AND WILL BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT.

THIS MEETING WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND WILL BE AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM. IT WILL ALSO BE LIVE STREAMED ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE AT www.sonoraca.com.

Written comments can be submitted to be included as part of the administrative record, they will not be read during the meeting. All comments must be received by 3:00 pm on the day of the noticed meeting and can be submitted to the City Clerk at 94 N. Washington Street Sonora, CA 95370 or via email to administration@sonoraca.org.

CLOSED SESSION - 4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Called to order at 4:07 PM.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Matt Hawkins

Mayor Pro Tem Mark Plummer

Council member Colette Such

Council member Jim Garaventa

ABSENT

Council member Ann Segerstrom

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION

1. Threat to Public Services or Facilities (Government Code 54957(a)): Consultation with City Attorney, Douglas White.

Staff was given direction.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

OPEN SESSION - 5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Called to order at 5:02 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Such led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Matt Hawkins

Mayor Pro Tem Mark Plummer

Council member Ann Segerstrom

Council member Colette Such

Council member Jim Garaventa

CITY CLERK'S REPORT ON AGENDA POSTING

The Agenda was posted on Thursday, February 17, 2022, at 4:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Item #11 was moved to the first item under New Business.

The Agenda was approved with adjustment.

PUBLIC COMMENT (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

The public may address the Council on any item of public interest not otherwise on the agenda that is within the jurisdiction of the City. No action may be taken. Matters to be addressed may be referred to City Staff or placed on a subsequent meeting Agenda. Speakers are limited to a three (3) minute presentation.

A member of the public updated the Council on the upcoming Love Tuolumne County Day.

A member of the public updated the Council on the California Preservation Foundation.

A member of the public commented in support of recovering City property damaged by the Washington Fire.

A member of the public representing the Sonora Chamber of Commerce and Visit Tuolumne County updated the Council on a Special Use Permit and tourism analytics.

A member of the public representing TuCARE updated the Council on upcoming events.

A member of the public commented on a recent Public Records Act Request and asked questions to legal counsel.

A member of the public commented on a recent post card from Sonora's "Sister City" in Japan.

A member of the public commented in support of reopening the Sonora Hebrew Cemetery.

A member of the public commented in support of specific Councilmembers and requested Councilmembers report on meetings they attend.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be voted on in one motion unless a Council member or member of the public has a question or wishes to discuss an item. In that case, the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

No public comments.

Councilmembers discussed.

**Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Plummer, Seconded by Council member Segerstrom.
Voting Yea: Mayor Hawkins, Mayor Pro Tem Plummer, Council member Segerstrom, Council member Such, Council member Garaventa.**

2. Approval of disbursements in the amount of \$153,038.15 for payroll, inclusive of employee salaries, employer and employee taxes and retirement contributions, miscellaneous voluntary employee deductions, holiday pay, and other adjustments, including retro-pay.

3. Authorize the possession and consumption of beer and wine, from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM, on June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10, and October 8, 2022 in Coffill Park during the Sonora Chamber of Commerce's Second Saturday Art Night Concert Series.
4. Authorize the closure of Bradford Street, from Washington to Green Street, and the possession and consumption of beer and wine, from 4:30 PM to 8:30 PM, during the Sonora Chamber of Commerce's 2nd Saturday Art Night March 2022 through March 2023.
5. Approval of a Letter of Support to Caltrans for the Tuolumne County Transportation Council Gold Rush Shared Use Trail Project, authorizing the Mayor to sign the letter.
6. Adopt Resolution 02-22-2022-B authorizing remote teleconferencing meetings of the City Council and its committees and commissions for 30 days pursuant to Government Code Section 52953(e) Brown Act provisions.
7. Approval of City Council Minutes for August 2, 2021, August 16, 2021, September 7, 2021, and October 18, 2021.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Reviewal of City Council approved Committee outcomes and purpose statement.

Interim City Administrator Melissa Eads presented and detailed this item to the Council.

Councilmembers discussed.

City Attorney Douglas White provided legal counsel throughout discussion.

A member of the public suggested the Committee focus efforts on the homeless population.

Multiple members of the public commented in disapproval of the Social Equity Committee.

Multiple members of the public commented in support of the Social Equity Committee.

A member of the public asked the Council multiple questions.

A member of the public suggested the City dissolve the Committee so that it may become a community committee.

The item was scheduled to be continued after public commented at the following Regular City Council Meeting on April 4, 2022.

9. Presentation and acceptance of the Fiscal Year 21-22 Mid-Year Budget Report and approval of related budget adjustments, capital assets and accompanied budget transfer; 4/5th vote required.

This item was tabled, scheduled to be brought before the Council at the following meeting on April 4, 2022.

10. Adopt Resolution No. 02-22-22-A Authorizing the City Council to enter into an agreement with the CalPERS via the California Employers' Pension Prefunding Trust (CEPPT), a Section 115 Irrevocable Trust, and delegating authority to the City Administrator and the Administrative Services Director to request disbursements.

This item was tabled, scheduled to be brought before the Council at the following meeting on April 4, 2022.

11. Authorize the loan of the Mallard's Honor Roll monument to the Tuolumne County Historical Society's Museum's World War II Exhibit for approximately six months.

Interim City Administrator Melissa Eads presented and detailed this item to the Council.

Councilmembers discussed.

Motion made by Council member Garaventa, Seconded by Council member Such.

Voting Yea: Mayor Hawkins, Mayor Pro Tem Plummer, Council member Segerstrom, Council member Such, Council member Garaventa.

MONTHLY REPORTS

12. Receive the Community Development Department Report for January 2022.
13. Receive the Public Works Department monthly report for January 2022.
14. Receive the Sonora Police Department monthly report for January 2022.
15. Receive the Sonora Fire Department monthly report for January 2022.

COUNCIL MEMBER/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Police Chief Turu VanderWiel announced that the following Saturday would be the Special Olympics Games.

Mayor Hawkins encouraged those interested in his Councilmember activities reach out to him personally for a report.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM.

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