

Minutes Approved by Sonora City Council

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## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

**Monday, March 07, 2022 at 4:30 PM**

94 N. Washington Street, Sonora, CA 95370

(209) 532-4541

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### MINUTES

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Sonora City Council will have their regular meeting on Monday, March 7, 2022 at 4:30 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. 02-22-2022-B.

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](http://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 Deputy City Clerk at 94 N. Washington Street Sonora, CA 95370 or via email to [administration@sonoraca.org](mailto:administration@sonoraca.org).

**CLOSED SESSION** - 4:30 PM

**CALL TO ORDER**

Called to order at 4:01 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT

**Mayor Matt Hawkins**

**Mayor Pro Tem Mark Plummer**

**Council member Ann Segerstrom**

**Council member Colette Such**

**Council member Jim Garaventa**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments.

**ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION**

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - Liability Claims (Government Code Section 54956.95):  
2 Cases; Claimant: Gibson : Claimant: Koch

Both claims were rejected by a 5-0 vote.

**RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION**

**OPEN SESSION** - 5:00 PM

**CALL TO ORDER**

Called to order at 5:00 PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Councilmember Garaventa** 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, March 3, 2022, at 3:00 PM.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Items #2 and #10 were pulled from the Agenda.

The Agenda was approved with adjustment.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

2. Receive a Tuolumne County update from District 1 Supervisor David Goldemberg.

This item was pulled from the Agenda with the approval of the Agenda.

## **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.*

*If participating via Zoom, please raise your hand using the Raise Your Hand feature or dial \*9 (\*6 to unmute).*

A member of the public commented in support of creating an Ordinance to protect Heritage trees in the community.

A member of the public representing the League of Women's Voters informed the Council of their presence.

A member of the public representing the Sonora Chamber of Commerce updated those in attendance on the upcoming Second Saturday and Red Cross Month.

A member of the public requested the Council repair road and water damage on their property, but the property was determined to be outside of City limits.

## **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.

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

3. Approval of City Council Minutes for October 27, 2021, November 1, 2021, November 15, 2021, and December 6, 2021.
4. Approval of disbursements in the amount of \$188,436.81 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.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

5. Continuation of the discussion of the dissolution of the Social Equity Committee and, pending decision, consideration of the Committee's Draft Resolution and consideration of a mayoral appointment to the Committee with Council ratification.

Public comment was taken at the previous City Council Meeting.

Councilmembers discussed.

**City Attorney Douglas White** provided legal counsel throughout discussion.

**Mayor Pro Tem Plummer** motioned to dissolve the Social Equity Committee.

**Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Plummer.**

Motion died due to lack of second.

**Councilmember Garaventa** motioned to continue the Social Equity Committee until the first City Council meeting in April, where the Council would evaluate the Social Equity Resolution and determine the continuation of the Social Equity Committee.

**Motion made by Council member Garaventa, Seconded by Council member Such.**  
**Voting Yea: Council member Segerstrom, Council member Such, Council member Garaventa**

**Voting Nay: Mayor Hawkins, Mayor Pro Tem Plummer.**

**Councilmember Garaventa** was appointed to the Social Equity Committee with Council ratification.

**Motion made by Mayor Hawkins, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Plummer.**

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

6. 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.

**Administrative Services Director Chris Gorsky** presented and detailed this item to the Council.

Councilmembers discussed.

No public comment.

**Motion made by Council member Garaventa, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Plummer.**

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

7. Adopt Resolution No. 03-07-2022-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.

**Administrative Services Director Chris Gorsky** presented and detailed this item to the Council.

Councilmembers discussed.

No public comments.

**Motion made by Council member Segerstrom, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Plummer.**

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

## NEW BUSINESS

8. Consideration of award to the low bidder, United Pavement Maintenance, for the Red Church Pedestrian and Circulation Improvement Project in the amount of \$451,000 and authorize the Interim City Administrator to sign the construction agreement and all related project documents upon funding approval by the Tuolumne County Transportation Council in the amount of \$120,000 and approve the related budget transfer; 4/5th vote required.

**Community Development Director Rachelle Kellogg** presented and detailed this item to the Council.

Councilmembers discussed.

No public comments.

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

9. Adopt Resolution No. 03-07-2022-B Calling and giving notice for the holding of a General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, June 7, 2022 for the election of certain officers, as required by provisions of the laws of the State of California related to general law cities; requesting the Board of Supervisors of Tuolumne County permit the County Registrar of Voters to render election services; and requesting the consolidation of said election with the statewide direct primary election held on the same date.

**City Attorney Douglas White** presented and detailed this item to the Council.

Councilmembers discussed.

No public comments.

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

10. Waive reading, read by title only, and introduce for first reading Ordinance No. 882 of the City Council of the City of Sonora Amending Title 7, Integrated Waste Management, of the Sonora Municipal Code to regulate the disposal of recyclable and organic materials.

This item was pulled from the Agenda with the approval of the Agenda.

## COUNCIL MEMBER/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

**Police Chief Turu VanderWiel** updated the Council on the upcoming Coffee with a Cop and the Opioid Prevention Project.

**Interim City Administrator Melissa Eads** thanked the Community Development Director for their efforts.

**Councilmember Segerstrom** attended the YES Partnership and the Central Sierra Economic Development District and updated the Council on the Vision Sonora Committee.

**Mayor Pro Tem Plummer** attended the Access Tuolumne Meeting.

## ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

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