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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Monday, January 03, 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, January 3, 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 AB 361.

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:

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Dial: (253)215-8782

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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 4:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Matt Hawkins
Mayor Pro Tem Mark Plummer
Council member Ann Segerstrom
Council member Colette Such

ABSENT

Council member Jim Garaventa

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION

Adjourned into Closed Session at 4:02 PM.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL— ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (1 case)

2. Public Employment (Government Code Section 54957)

Title: City Administrator

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

Staff was given direction during Closed Session.

OPEN SESSION -

5:00 PM

Called to order at 5:01 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, December 30, 2021, at 4:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Agenda was approved without adjustment.

PRESENTATIONS

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

District 1 Supervisor David Goldemberg updated the Council on the Fire Safety Advisory Committee, the Tuolumne County Commission on Homelessness, the Greenly Bypass, and a recent charity event.

Councilmembers discussed.

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.*

A member of the public commented in support of a City beautification project.

A member of the public commented in disapproval of COVID-19 guidelines approved by City Council and placed the Council and staff under citizen's arrest. No action was asked to be taken by the member of the public.

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

4. Approve City Council Minutes for October 19, 2020; November 2, 2020; and May 3, 2021.
5. Approval of disbursements in the amount of \$148,388.71 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.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Consideration to approve an agreement for consultancy services between the City of Sonora and the Chicken Ranch Tribe of Me-Wuk Indians and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.

City Administrator Mary Rose Rutikanga presented this item to the Council.

Fire Chief Aimee New further detailed this item to the Council.

Councilmembers discussed.

A member of the public representing the County of Tuolumne commented in approval of the agreement.

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.

COUNCIL MEMBER/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

City Administrator Mary Rose Rutikanga noted this being her last meeting with the Council as her resignation approached and thanked the Council for her time with the City of Sonora.

Police Chief Turu VanderWiel and Fire Chief Aimee New thanked the City Administrator Mary Rose Rutikanga for her work with the City of Sonora.

Councilmember Segerstrom gave an update on the Sonora Christmas Town on behalf of Katie Dunn with the Sonora Chamber of Commerce and thanked the City Administrator Mary Rose Rutikanga for her work with the City of Sonora.

Councilmember Garaventa thanked the City Administrator Mary Rose Rutikanga for her work with the City of Sonora.

Councilmember Such informed those in attendance about the Social and Ecological Resilience Across the Landscape Meeting, noted Desmond Tutu's passing, and thanked the City Administrator Mary Rose Rutikanga for her work with the City of Sonora.

Mayor Pro Tem Plummer thanked the City Administrator Mary Rose Rutikanga for her work with the City of Sonora and requested a discussion on the Social Equity Committee be agendaized in the future.

City Attorney Douglas White provided legal counsel.

Mayor Hawkins thanked the City Administrator Mary Rose Rutikanga for her work with the City of Sonora.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:43 PM.

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